



Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen

Sunday 1st September 2019

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

(Proper 17)



Services Today

9.30am Said Mass with Family Ministry
Hymns: **383 (2nd Tune Omit *) : The Servant Song**

11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon
Hymns: **74 : 137 : 276 : 383 (2nd Tune Omit *)**
12.30pm Baptism of Ralphie Nicholas Ryan Muston

703 Deus in loco sancto

Introit God in his holy habitation, it is he that maketh brethren to be of one mind in an house: he will give the dominion and pre-eminence unto his people.

Psalm Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him flee before him. Glory be to the Father...

Gradual My heart hath trusted in God, and I am helped: therefore my heart danceth for joy, and in my song will I praise him. √ Unto thee will I cry, O Lord: be not silent, O my God, nor depart from me.

Alleluia Alleluia. Alleluia. √ Sing we merrily unto God our strength; make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob: Take the psalm, bring hither the tabret. Alleluia.

Offertory I will magnify thee, O Lord, for thou hast set me up: and not made my foes to triumph over me. O Lord, my God, I cried unto thee: and thou hast healed me.

Communion Ask and it shall be given you: seek and you shall find: knock, and it shall be opened to you. For every one that asketh, receiveth; and he that seeketh, findeth; and to him that knocketh, it shall be opened.

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<http://st-stephens-guernsey.org>

Collect

O God, you declare your almighty power
most chiefly in showing mercy and pity:
mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace,
that we, running the way of your commandments,
may receive your gracious promises,
and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Old Testament Reading - Ecclesiasticus Ch10 v12-18

- ¹²The beginning of human pride is to forsake the Lord;
the heart has withdrawn from its Maker.
- ¹³For the beginning of pride is sin,
and the one who clings to it pours out abominations.
Therefore the Lord brings upon them unheard-of calamities,
and destroys them completely.
- ¹⁴The Lord overthrows the thrones of rulers,
and enthrones the lowly in their place.
- ¹⁵The Lord plucks up the roots of the nations,
and plants the humble in their place.
- ¹⁶The Lord lays waste the lands of the nations,
and destroys them to the foundations of the earth.
- ¹⁷He removes some of them and destroys them,
and erases the memory of them from the earth.
- ¹⁸Pride was not created for human beings,
or violent anger for those born of women.

New Testament Reading - Hebrews Ch13 v1-8, 15-16

¹Let mutual love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured.* ⁴Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. ⁵Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.'⁶ So we can say with confidence,

'The Lord is my helper;
I will not be afraid.
What can anyone do to me?'

⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever.

¹⁵Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Gospel - Luke Ch14 v1, 7-14

¹On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

⁷When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. ⁸“When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, “Give this person your place”, and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, “Friend, move up higher”; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.’

¹²He said also to the one who had invited him, ‘When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind.

¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.’

Post Communion

Lord of all mercy,
we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice
which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace:
by our communion
keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel
and preserve us from all sin;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please remember in your prayers

Judy Bobbitt, Tony Renouf, David Le Lievre,
Hazel Greany, Brenda Penfold, Alisha De Guerin,
Fr Marc Trickey,
a young man recovering from a problem with drugs,
Rose, Daphne Swann, Barbara Winter,
Melvyn Boxall, Chris Bellinger and Janice Firth.

Services This Week

Monday 2nd September 10.00am 'Little Treasures' Toddlers' Group

Tuesday 3rd September 11.00am Mass - BCP

Wednesday 4th September 7.00pm Mass

Friday 6th September 7.00pm Mass

Sunday 8th September

The Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary (transferred from 15th August)

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WELCOME BACK BARBECUE FOR FAMILIES

St Stephen's Church Garden

Sunday 8th September

12.30pm - 2.30pm

Tickets £5 per family

RSVP by Wednesday 4th September to
andrea.bateman@yahoo.co.uk



Following the summer break, the next

Friendship Lunch will be on
Tuesday 10th September at 12.00pm
in the Community Centre
£6.50 per person.

Menu:

Baked Gammon or Cheese & Onion Flan
Dessert Trifle

Please contact Jean le Huray on **255207**

The Swinging Stains

Friday September 13th 7.30pm in Church.

A group of Guernsey's most experienced and accomplished instrumentalists playing traditional and Dixie Jazz and foot-tapping melodies from the likes of Acker Bilk and Kenny Ball.



Please join us for refreshments:

- *in the Vicarage after the 9.30am Mass*
- *in the Vestry after the 11.00am Mass*

After Mass please put the kneelers back on the shelf. Thank you!

Deadline for notices for next bulletin – **6.00pm Thursday**

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