



Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen

Sunday 8th September 2019

The Feast of The Blessed Virgin Mary (The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity)



Services Today

9.30am Said Mass with Family Ministry

Hymns: 184 : 186

11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon

Hymns: 376 : 185 : 341 : 186

The Feast of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Introit A great sign appeared in heaven: A woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet; and on her head, a crown of twelve stars.

Psalm O sing unto the Lord a new song; for he hath done marvellous things. Glory be...

Gradual Hearken, O daughter and consider, incline thine ear: so shall the king have pleasure in thy beauty. *V.* In thy comeliness and in thy beauty go forth, ride prosperously and reign.

Alleluia Alleluia. Alleluia. *V.* Mary is taken up into heaven: the company of angels is joyful. Alleluia.

Offertory Mary is taken up into heaven: The angels rejoice and glorify the Lord, alleluia.

Communion All generations shall call me blessed: For he that is mighty hath magnified me; and holy is his Name.

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Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
who stooped to raise fallen humanity
through the child-bearing of blessed Mary:
grant that we, who have seen your glory revealed in our human nature
and your love made perfect in our weakness,
may daily be renewed in your image
and conformed to the pattern of your Son
Jesus Christ 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 - Revelation Ch11 v19,Ch12 v1-6, 10

¹⁹Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple; and there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail.

¹A great portent appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. ²She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pangs, in the agony of giving birth. ³Then another portent appeared in heaven: a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads. ⁴His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. Then the dragon stood before the woman who was about to bear a child, so that he might devour her child as soon as it was born. ⁵And she gave birth to a son, a male child, who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron. But her child was snatched away and taken to God and to his throne; ⁶and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, so that there she can be nourished for one thousand two hundred and sixty days.

¹⁰ Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming,
'Now have come the salvation and the power
and the kingdom of our God
and the authority of his Messiah,
for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down,
who accuses them day and night before our God.

New Testament Reading. Galatians Ch4 v4-7

⁴But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. ⁶And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' ⁷So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Gospel - Luke Ch1 v46-55

⁴⁶ Mary said,
⁴⁷ 'My soul magnifies the Lord,
⁴⁸ and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,
⁴⁹ for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant.
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
⁵⁰ for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.
⁵¹ His mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.
⁵² He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.
⁵³ He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,
and lifted up the lowly;
⁵⁴ he has filled the hungry with good things,
and sent the rich away empty.
⁵⁵ He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
according to the promise he made to our ancestors,
to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Post Communion

God most high,
whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh:
we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption
you visit us with your Holy Spirit
and overshadow us by your power;
strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience
and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please remember in your prayers

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



Following the summer break, the next
Friendship Lunch will be on
Tuesday 10th September at 12.00pm
in the Community Centre

Menu £6.50

Baked Gammon or Cheese & Onion Flan
Dessert Trifle

Please contact Jean Le Huray on **255207**

Services This Week

Monday 9th September 10.00am Little Treasures Toddlers' Group
Tuesday 10th September 11.00am Mass - BCP
Wednesday 11th September 7.00pm Mass
Friday 13th September 7.00pm Mass
Saturday 14th September 4.00pm Taizé Service

Sunday 15th September
The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity
9.30am Said Mass with Family Ministry
11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon
12.30pm Baptism of Jack Peter Smith

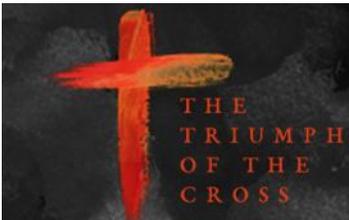
A warm welcome to Bernadette and Graham Meech
who are joining us today at the 11.00am Mass.

Bernadette's Father was bandsman Edward Charles Arthur Hill, who was a member of the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry Band.

He was one of the 30 bandsmen who landed in St Peter Port on 12th May 1945, and played at the Flag Hoisting Ceremony in Elizabeth College Grounds, and on many other occasions over the next 6 weeks that the band spent in the Channel Islands.

Bernadette and Graham have been coming on holiday to Guernsey every couple of years since their honeymoon on the island in 1972.

A copy of *The Guernsey Evening Press* dated Friday May 25, 1945 revealed that the band of The Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry provided the music for Solemn Evensong at St Stephen's on Whit Sunday. Edward is named as one of the buglers who sounded the Last Post during The Procession.



Taizé Service

Saturday 14th September
4.00 - 5.00 pm

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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