



Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen

Sunday 19th July 2020

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

(Proper 11)



Services Today

10.30am	Sung Mass with Sermon
Hymns:	232: 239: 416 (2nd Tune): 369
12.30pm	Baptism of Bella Jayne Alderton

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Introit The Lord is the strength of his people, and a stronghold of salvation to his Anointed One: O Lord, save thine own people, and give thy blessing unto thine inheritance; O feed them also, and set them up for ever.

Psalm Unto thee will I cry, O Lord; my God, be not silent unto me: lest, if thou make as though thou hearest not, I become like them that go down into the pit. Glory be to the Father...

Gradual Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last: and be gracious unto thy servants. √. Lord, thou hast been our refuge: from one generation to another.

Alleluia Alleluia. Alleluia. √. In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, let me never be put to confusion: deliver me in thy righteousness; bow down thine ear to me, make haste to deliver me. Alleluia.

Offertory O hold thou up my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps slip not; incline thine ear to me, and hearken unto my words: Show thy marvellous loving-kindness, O Lord; thou that art the Saviour of them that put their trust in thee.

Communion What I tell you in darkness, that speak ye in light, saith the Lord: And what ye hear in the ear, that preach ye upon the housetops.

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Collect

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
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 - Wisdom Ch12 v13,16-19

¹³For neither is there any god besides you, whose care is for all people,
to whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly;

¹⁶For your strength is the source of righteousness,
and your sovereignty over all causes you to spare all.

¹⁷For you show your strength when people doubt the completeness of your
power, and you rebuke any insolence among those who know it.

¹⁸Although you are sovereign in strength, you judge with mildness,
and with great forbearance you govern us;
for you have power to act whenever you choose.

¹⁹Through such works you have taught your people
that the righteous must be kind,
and you have filled your children with good hope,
because you give repentance for sins.

New Testament Reading - Romans Ch8 v12-25

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according
to the flesh—¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the
Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led
by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of
slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we
cry, 'Abba! Father!' ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we
are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with
Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

¹⁸I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with
the glory about to be revealed to us. ¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing
for the revealing of the children of God; ²⁰for the creation was subjected to futility,
not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹that the
creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the
freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²We know that the whole creation
has been groaning in labour pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we
ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for

adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Gospel - Matthew Ch13 v24-30, 36-43

²⁴Jesus put before the crowd another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; ²⁵but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" ²⁸He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" ²⁹But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn." '

³⁶Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' ³⁷He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; ³⁸the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, ⁴²and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

Post Communion

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please remember in your prayers

Hazel and John Greany, Christine Shaw,
Brenda Penfold, Alisha De Guerin, Val Moulin, Carl Symes,
Anthony De La Mare, a woman battling with alcoholism,
Melvyn Boxall, Janice Firth and Maria.

Services This Week

Monday 20th July 10.00am 'Little Treasures' Toddlers' Group

Tuesday 21st July 11.00am Mass - BCP

Wednesday 22nd July 7.00pm Said Mass

Sunday 26th July 2020

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Said Mass with Family Ministry

11.00am Sung Mass

St Stephen's Church
GUERNSEY BACH CHOIR
PRESENT
CANTATE DOMINO
SATURDAY 25TH JULY 2020
7.30PM



Conductor Alan Gough

MUSIC FOR A SUMMER EVENING

Anthems, Madrigals and Part-Songs by
Byrd, Monteverdi, Gibbons, Mozart, John Rutter and Howard Goodhall

Entry by Programme donation on the door – minimum £5

Please join us for refreshments:

- *in church before the AGM*

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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