



# Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen

Sunday 23rd August 2020



## The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity (Proper 16)

### Services Today

<b>9.30am</b>	Said Mass with Family Ministry and Blessing of Naomi Elsie Barnes
<b>Hymns:</b>	<b>297: 272</b>
<b>11.00am</b>	Sung Mass with Sermon
<b>Hymns:</b>	<b>297: 410: 390: 272</b>
<b>12.30pm</b>	Baptism of Joe Isaac Prigent

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**Introit** Bow down, O Lord, thine ear to me, and hear me: O my God, save thy servant that trusteth in thee; have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I have called daily upon thee.

**Psalm** Comfort the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul. Glory be...

**Gradual** It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord: and to sing praises unto thy Name, O most Highest.  $\Psi$ . To tell of thy loving-kindness early in the morning: and of thy truth in the night season.

**Alleluia** Alleluia, alleluia.  $\Psi$ . Thou art Peter, and upon this rock: I will build my Church. Alleluia.

**Offertory** I waited patiently for the Lord, and he inclined unto me: he heard my calling, and hath put a new song in my mouth, even a thanksgiving unto our God.

**Communion** The earth, O Lord, is filled with the fruit of thy works: that thou mayest bring food out of the earth, and wine that maketh glad the heart of man. And oil to make him a cheerful countenance: and bread to strengthen man's heart.

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## 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 - Isaiah Ch51 v1-6

<sup>1</sup> Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness,  
you that seek the LORD.

Look to the rock from which you were hewn,  
and to the quarry from which you were dug.

<sup>2</sup> Look to Abraham your father  
and to Sarah who bore you;  
for he was but one when I called him,  
but I blessed him and made him many.

<sup>3</sup> For the LORD will comfort Zion;  
he will comfort all her waste places,  
and will make her wilderness like Eden,  
her desert like the garden of the LORD;  
joy and gladness will be found in her,  
thanksgiving and the voice of song.

<sup>4</sup> Listen to me, my people,  
and give heed to me, my nation;  
for a teaching will go out from me,  
and my justice for a light to the peoples.

<sup>5</sup> I will bring near my deliverance swiftly,  
my salvation has gone out  
and my arms will rule the peoples;  
the coastlands wait for me,  
and for my arm they hope.

<sup>6</sup> Lift up your eyes to the heavens,  
and look at the earth beneath;  
for the heavens will vanish like smoke,  
the earth will wear out like a garment,  
and those who live on it will die like gnats;  
but my salvation will be for ever,  
and my deliverance will never be ended.

## **New Testament Reading - Romans Ch12 v1-8**

<sup>1</sup>I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. <sup>2</sup>Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God— what is good and acceptable and perfect.

<sup>3</sup>For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. <sup>4</sup>For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, <sup>5</sup>so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. <sup>6</sup>We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; <sup>7</sup>ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; <sup>8</sup>the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

## **Gospel - Matthew Ch16 v13-20**

<sup>13</sup>When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' <sup>14</sup>And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' <sup>15</sup>He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' <sup>16</sup>Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' <sup>17</sup>And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. <sup>18</sup>And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. <sup>19</sup>I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' <sup>20</sup>Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

## **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**

Hazel and John Greany, Christine Shaw,  
Brenda Penfold, Alisha De Guerin, Val Moullin,  
a woman suffering from depression, Anthony De La Mare,  
    a woman battling with alcoholism,  
Melvyn Boxall, Janice Firth and Maria.

## Services This Week

**Monday 24th August 10.00am** Little Treasures Toddlers' Group

**Tuesday 25th August 11.00am** Mass - BCP

**Wednesday 26th August 7.00pm** Said Mass

**Sunday 30th August 2020**

**The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity**

**9.30am** Said Mass with Family Ministry

**11.00am** Sung Mass

**Welcome Back Barbecue  
for families with children**

**Sunday 6th September  
12.30-2.30pm**

**£5 per family**

RSVP to Andrea Bateman  
by Wednesday 2nd September  
[andrea.bateman@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:andrea.bateman@yahoo.co.uk)



**Friendship Lunch  
Tuesday 8th September at 12.00pm**

Please reserve your place by Sunday 30th August.  
Contact Jean Le Huray (Tel 255207)

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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