



Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen

Sunday 9th May 2021

Sixth Sunday of Easter
Rogation Sunday
Liberation Day

Services Today

9:30am Said Mass with Hymns and Sermon
Hymns: 265: S31

11:00am Sung Mass with Sermon & Procession
Hymns: 265: 333: **Anthem:** 493

688 Easter 6 / The Sixth Sunday of Easter (Rogation)

Introit With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, alleluia; utter it even unto the ends of the earth: the Lord hath delivered his people, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm O be joyful in God all ye lands: sing praises unto the honour of his Name; make his praise to be glorious. Glory be...

Alleluia Alleluia. Alleluia. *V.* Christ is risen, and hath showed light unto us: whom he hath redeemed with his most precious Blood. Alleluia. *V.* I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world and go to the Father. Alleluia.

Offertory O praise our God, ye people, and make the voice of his praise to be heard; Who holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to slip. Praised be God, who hath not cast out my prayer: nor turned his mercy from me, Alleluia.

Communion I have chosen you out of the world, alleluia; that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain, alleluia, alleluia.

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

Collect

God our redeemer,
you have delivered us from the power of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:
grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life,
so by his continual presence in us he may raise us
to eternal joy;
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.

First Reading - Acts Ch10 v44-48

⁴⁴While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. ⁴⁵The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, ⁴⁶for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' ⁴⁸So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Second Reading - 1 John Ch5 v1-6

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, ⁴for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. ⁵Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Gospel - John Ch15 v9-17

Jesus said to his disciples, ⁹As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

¹²'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's

friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Post Communion

God our Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life:
may we thirst for you,
the spring of life and source of goodness,
through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Please remember in your prayers

Hazel and John Greany, Alisha De Guerin, Val Moullin,
a woman suffering from depression,
Melvyn Boxall, Janice Firth, a woman battling with alcoholism,
Maria, Jeanette, Alan Warner, James, Gillian Harvey.

Services for this week

Monday 10th May 10.00am 'Little Treasures' Toddlers Group
Tuesday 11th May 11.00am Said Mass - BCP
Thursday 13th May 7.00pm Sung Mass - Ascension Day

Sunday 16th May
The Seventh Sunday of Easter
Sunday after Ascension
9.30am Said Mass & Family Ministry
11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon



Friendship Lunch
12.00pm Tuesday 11th May - £7

Menu: Roast pork & veg
Bakewell tart and custard

Please see Jean **TODAY** reserve your place so as not to be disappointed.



GU10 22nd May

Don't forget to buy your tickets for the evening with GU10
See posters and magazine for details

Interregnum

As mentioned at the AGM we are starting the process of compiling the Church Profile in order to advertise for a new Vicar.

There is a questionnaire for everyone should you wish to fill it in.
Your responses will help us understand what is important to you all.

Please take your copy and return it to us as soon as possible.

By **30th May Trinity Sunday the latest** - Many thanks.

Tony & Elis

Please join us for refreshments:

- *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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