



Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen

Sunday 16th May

Seventh Sunday of Easter

The Sunday after Ascension

Services Today

9:30am Said Mass with Hymns and Sermon
Hymns: 134: S.3

11:00am Sung Mass with Sermon
Hymns: 134: 352: 305: 130 (1st Tune Omit *)

690 The Seventh Sunday of Easter

Introit Consider, O Lord, and hear me, when I cry unto thee, alleluia: unto thee my heart hath said, Thy face, Lord, have I sought: thy face, Lord, will I seek: O hide not thou thy face from thy servant, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm The Lord is my light and my salvation: whom then shall I fear? Glory be...

Alleluia Alleluia. Alleluia. *V.* God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon his holy seat. Alleluia. *V.* I will not leave you comfortless: I go away and come again to you, and your heart shall rejoice. Alleluia.

Offertory God is gone up with a merry noise: and the Lord with the sound of the trumpet, alleluia.

Communion Father, while I was with them in the world, I kept those that thou gavest to me, alleluia: and now I come to thee, I pray thee not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from evil, alleluia, alleluia.

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Collect

O God the King of glory,
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us
and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

First Reading - Acts Ch1 v15-17 & 21-26

¹⁵ In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, ¹⁶‘Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— ¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.’

²¹ So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.’ ²³ So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴ Then they prayed and said, ‘Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.’ ²⁶ And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Second Reading - 1 John Ch5 v9-13

⁹ If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. ¹⁰ Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. ¹¹ And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹² Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

¹³ I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

Gospel - John Ch17 v6 -19

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, ⁶Father I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

Post Communion

Eternal God, giver of love and power,
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:
confirm us in this mission,
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please remember in your prayers

John Greany, Hazel Greany, Alisha De Guerin,
Val Moullin, Melvyn Boxall, Janice Firth, Maria,
Jeanette, Gillian Harvey, Helen Davy
Martin Carney, Rose Humphries

Services for this week

Monday 17h May 10.00am 'Little Treasures' Toddlers Group

Tuesday 18th May 11.00am Said Mass - BCP

Saturday 22nd 1.00pm Wedding of Kirsty De Garis and Lee Cottrell

Sunday 23rd May

Pentecost

Whit Sunday

9.30am Said Mass

11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon & Procession



GU10 Saturday 22nd May

CANCELED
Due to Unforeseen Circumstances

Read - A -Thon

IN AID OF ST. STEPHEN'S COMMUNITY CENTRE

SUNDAY 9TH MAY 2021 TO SUNDAY 11TH JULY 2021

Please see posters at the back of church or the 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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