

Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen

Sunday 5th May 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter Rogation Sunday

Services Today

9:30am Said Mass

11:00am Sung Mass with Sermon

Hymns: 265: Responsorial Psalm 98: 397: S.3: 408

Chorus

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer, When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer, Come and Listen to me.

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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. W. Christ is risen, and hath showed light unto us: whom he hath redeemed with his most precious Blood. Alleluia. W. 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.

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

⁴⁴ Even as Peter was saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the message. ⁴⁵ The Jewish believers ^[a] who came with Peter were amazed that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles, too. ⁴⁶ For they heard them speaking in other tongues ^[b] and praising God.

Then Peter asked, ⁴⁷ "Can anyone object to their being baptized, now that they have received the Holy Spirit just as we did?" ⁴⁸ So he gave orders for them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterward Cornelius asked him to stay with them for several days.

Responsorial Psalm 98:

'All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.'

Second Reading - 1 John Ch5 v1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ^[a] has become a child of God. And everyone who loves the Father loves his children, too. ² We know we love God's children if we love God and obey his commandments. ³ Loving God means keeping his commandments, and his commandments are not burdensome. ⁴ For every child of God defeats this evil world, and we achieve this victory through our faith. ⁵ And who can win this battle against the world? Only those who believe that Jesus is the Son of God.

⁶ And Jesus Christ was revealed as God's Son by his baptism in water and by shedding his blood on the cross^[b]—not by water only, but by water and blood. And the Spirit, who is truth, confirms it with his testimony.

Gospel - John Ch15 v9-17

⁹ "I have loved you even as the Father has loved me. Remain in my love. ¹⁰ When you obey my commandments, you remain in my love, just as I obey my Father's commandments and remain in his love. ¹¹ I have told you these things so that you will be filled with my joy. Yes, your joy will overflow! ¹² This is my commandment: Love each other in the same way I have loved you. ¹³ There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command. ¹⁵ I no longer call you slaves, because a master doesn't confide in his slaves. Now you are my friends, since I have told you everything the Father told me. ¹⁶ You didn't choose me. I chose you. I appointed you to go and produce lasting fruit, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask for, using my name. ¹⁷ This is my command: Love each other.

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

Father John Luff, Willa Owen, Lydia Grammer, Brian Garner, Phil Humphrys, Hugh Lloyd-Jones, David Streek, Jill Stephenson, Bill Rollo, Paulo De Augistino, David Streek, and a Mother with two young children diagnosed with cancer.

Notices

Monday to Friday 8.00am - Morning Prayer
Tuesday 7th May11.00am Said Mass Thursday 9th May Ascension Day 7.00pm - Said Mass
Friday 10th May 10.30am—Sixth Form Valedictory Service

Sunday 12th May
The Seventh Sunday of Easter
Sunday after Ascension

9.30am Said Mass 11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon



FRIENDSHIP LUNCH A LIBERATION FEAST

Tuesday 14th May at 12 midday

St Stephen's Community Centre -Meeting Room Menu:-

Braised Steak or Vegetarian Sausage Casserole
Dessert - Apple Pie & Ice-Cream
Specific dietary requirements
please let me know as soon as possible.
Minimum £10 per person,
To book please contact Jean Le Huray
no later than Sunday 12th May Tel. 255207

Please join us for refreshments
In the Vestry after the 11am Mass

After Mass please put the kneelers back on the shelf. Thank you!

Deadline for notices for next bulletin – **6.00pm Thursday**To Fliss or email fmil397026@aol.com

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