



# Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen



Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2026

## Trinity Sunday

### Services Today

**9:30am** Said Mass with Children's Church  
**11:00am** Sung Mass  
**Hymns** 148: Responsorial Psalm 8: 351: S.13: 146

### **Bake Sale**

### **Chorus**

*Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.*

*Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.*

### **At the start of the Procession**

Let us proceed in peace

**In the Name of Christ. Amen**

### **At the end of the Procession**

Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**Let us praise and exalt him for ever.**

Almighty God, Father, son and Holy Spirit; grant that we, who ever trust in your loving-kindness, may always adore your glory and majesty; who are one eternal Trinity in Unity, God over all, blessed for ever. **Amen.**

### **692 Trinity Sunday**

**Introit** The Love of God is shed abroad in our hearts, alleluia. By the Holy Ghost which is given unto us, alleluia, alleluia. Praise the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me praise his holy Name. Glory be...The Love of..

**Gradual** Blessed art thou, O Lord, which beholdest the great deep: and sittest upon the Cherubim. ∇ Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven: and above all to be praised and glorified for ever. **Alleluia** Alleluia. Alleluia ∇ Blessed art thou, O Lord God of our fathers: and worthy to be praised for evermore. Alleluia.

**Offertory** Blessed be God the Father, and the only begotten Son of God; and blessed be the Holy Spirit: for the mercy he hath done unto us.

**Communion** Let us bless the God of heaven; and in the sight of all living will we give thanks unto him: because he hath done to us-ward after his loving kindness.

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<http://st-stephens-guernsey.org>: Vicar: Father Joe Thompson Tel.01481 720268

## Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you have given us your servants grace,  
by the confession of a true faith,  
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity  
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity:  
keep us steadfast in this faith,  
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;  
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 Ch40 v12-17, 27-31

Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand,  
or with the breadth of his hand marked off the heavens?  
Who has held the dust of the earth in a basket,  
or weighed the mountains on the scales  
and the hills in a balance?  
13 Who can fathom the Spirit of the Lord,  
or instruct the Lord as his counsellor?  
14 Whom did the Lord consult to enlighten him,  
and who taught him the right way?  
Who was it that taught him knowledge,  
or showed him the path of understanding?  
15 Surely the nations are like a drop in a bucket;  
they are regarded as dust on the scales;  
he weighs the islands as though they were fine dust.  
16 Lebanon is not sufficient for altar fires,  
nor its animals enough for burnt offerings.  
17 Before him all the nations are as nothing;  
they are regarded by him as worthless  
and less than nothing.

Why do you complain, Jacob?  
Why do you say, Israel,  
'My way is hidden from the Lord;  
my cause is disregarded by my God'?  
28 Do you not know?  
Have you not heard?  
The Lord is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He will not grow tired or weary,  
and his understanding no one can fathom.  
29 He gives strength to the weary  
and increases the power of the weak.

30 Even youths grow tired and weary,  
and young men stumble and fall;  
31 but those who hope in the Lord  
will renew their strength.  
They will soar on wings like eagles;  
they will run and not grow weary,  
they will walk and not be faint.

## **Responsorial Psalm 8: 'Above the heav'ns your majesty is praised'**

### **New Testament Reading - 2 Corinthians 13 v11-13**

11 Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you.

12 Greet one another with a holy kiss. 13 All God's people here send their greetings.

### **Gospel - Matthew Ch28 v 16-20**

16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. 17 When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. 18 Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'

### **Post Communion**

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith,  
that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever

#### **Please remember in your prayers**

Fr John & Carol Luff, Willa Owen, Jill Stephenson, David and  
Barbara Streek, Wendy Clamp, Mandy Le Tissier, Margaret Boden Heaume,  
Lindsay Gallagher, Barbara Renouf, Peter Le Page and Helen Sheppard

## NOTICES

**Monday to Friday 8.00am - Morning Prayer**

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 11.00am - Said Mass**

**Corpus Christi**  
**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2026**  
7.00pm Sung Mass

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 10.30am - Requiem Mass**

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June 10.00am - Coffee and chat in church**

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2026**  
**The First Sunday after Trinity**  
**9:30am** Said Mass with Children's Church  
**11.00am** Sung Mass

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**

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*I pulled into my driveway, and someone had painted a large number 3 on my garage door.  
I thought, "That's odd."*