

NOTICES

Please take this copy of the Bulletin home with you and go through it carefully. If you can take another copy to pass on to a friend or neighbour, so much the better. Thank you.

The flower pedestal

at St Matthews has been kindly donated by Monica Obee in loving memory of her parents and her brother.

Funeral

The funeral of Millie Morris will be held at St Mary's church on Friday 19th October at 11am.

Tesco's 'Bag for Life' scheme.

Last chance to put in those tokens. We will be able to exchange these tokens for up to £4,000

Prayer Group

Meets Wednesday 17th October 20.00 at 9 Queensmead 5 Manor Road.

Churches Together Annual Quiz Night

On Saturday 20th October at 1900 at St Hilda's Church hall the CTAS are holding a quiz night for teams of 6. There will be fish & chips, chicken & chips or a vegetarian option. If you want to attend, please let the Parish office know by **13th October.**

If you would like notices adding to please let the parish office know via 01784 259093 or office@smam.org.uk.

For visitors, envelopes with Gift Aid declarations are available so we can make your gift even more valuable.



Please ensure watch alarms and mobile phones are silenced.



Refreshments are served after Parish Mass in the Church Hall. Please stay to continue the fellowship.



Do take the news-sheet away with you for reference during the week. Please recycle your copy of the weekly news-sheet when you have finished with it



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14th October 2018

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

TODAY

08:00	Low Mass	SMAM
08:30	Low Mass	SMVS
09:30	Parish Mass	SMAM
11:00	Parish Mass	SMVS
18:30	Choral Evensong	SMAM

Tuesday

19:00	Low Mass	SMAM
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Wednesday

12:30	Low Mass	SMVS
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Thursday

10:00	Low Mass	SMAM
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Friday

11:00	Funeral M Morris	SMVS
19:00	Low Mass	SMVS

Saturday

09:00	Rosary	SMAM
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Sunday

08:00	Low Mass	SMAM
08:30	Low Mass	SMVS
09:30	Parish Mass	SMAM
11:00	Baptism Mass	SMVS
18:30	Evensong	SMAM



WELCOME TO VISITORS

If you are visiting today, please do stay for refreshments (*served after the main mass in the hall*); we would be delighted to meet you. Baptised people who are communicant members of other churches are welcome to join us in communion at the Altar today. Everyone is welcome to come to the communion rail to receive a blessing. For visitors, envelopes with Gift Aid declarations are available so we can make your gift even more valuable.

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PRAYERS

THE CHURCH:

For Leaders of the Faith
For Diocesan Synod
For Prison Chaplains

OUR NATION & THE WORLD:

For victims of natural disasters
For the homeless
For The Red Cross

LOCAL COMMUNITY:

For Local Governments
For the Samaritans
For St Thomas Apostolic District

THE SICK:

(SMVS): Peter Baker, Betty Byng, Stephen Gamble, Evelyn Griffin, Alma MacMillan, Henry McGee, Sharron Moloney, Mervyn Moys, Anthony Owen, Elsie Rendell, Marge Taylor, Sally Towler, Brian Williams, Amanda Worsley, Rebecca, Sophie, Tina.

(SMAM): June Beasley, Edward Day, Mary Haarer, Pat Kyle, John McLaughlin, Emma Morgan, Paul Rayner, Bernice Ross, John Swaffield, Elaine Towner, Frederick Warr.

RECENTLY DEPARTED:

(SMVS): Millie Morris, Valerie Hicks

(SMAM): Jackie Ferguson

IN LOVING MEMORY:

(SMVS): Shireen Gould, Thomas Armstrong, Mary Whitcombe, George Martin.

(SMAM): Barbara Woodhead, Victor Jaggin (priest), Jacky Thorne, Gladys Hatchman, Michael Borrett, Gladys Ross

THE READINGS NEXT WEEK

Isaiah 53:10-11

Psalms 32:4-5,18-20,22

Hebrews 4:14-16

Mark 10:42-45

EVENSONG READINGS NEXT WEEK

Psalm 141

Joshua 14:6-14

Matthew 12:1-21

NOTICES

All Souls Requiem Mass

Will be taking place at St Mary's Church on Friday 2nd November at 19:00 to commemorate all faithfully departed. If you wish us to commemorate anyone please add their name to the list at the back of the church

Quiz Night

On Tuesday 13th November at 18:30 a quiz night with Curry will be held at St Mary's Church. The cost is £8. Please see Brenda Gill for tickets.

Special Coffee Morning

On 15th November at 10:30 in the Church Small Hall. The LWP are holding a coffee morning in aid of the children's charity "East to West"

The Big Clean

On Friday 23rd November 0900 onwards, all invited to help clean St Matthew's Church for the New church year.

Christmas Tree Festival**Songs of Praise**

On 1st December at 19:30 at St Matthews there will be a Festival Songs of Praise, Advent service.

All welcome

Advanced notice

St Matthew's Christmas Fayre will be held on Saturday 8th December 11:00-14:00 All welcome, for details please see posters when they go up.



14th October 2018

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LOW MASS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Ps 129:3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

COLLECT

May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good works. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Wisdom 7:7-11

A Reading from the book of Wisdom

I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 89(90):12-17

Fill us with your love so that we may rejoice.

Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants.

In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Give us joy to balance our affliction
for the years when we knew misfortune.

Show forth your work to your servants;
let your glory shine on their children.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands.

Second reading: Hebrews 4:12-13

A Reading from the epistle to the Hebrews

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: MT 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mark 10:17-27

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything

you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth. Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful with the sacrificial offerings, that, through these acts of devotedness, we may pass over to the glory of heaven. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We entreat your majesty most humbly, O Lord, that, as you feed us with the nourishment which comes from the most holy Body and Blood of your Son, so you may make us sharers of his divine nature. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen.

which most of his deeds of power had been done, because they did not repent. 'Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. But I tell you, on the day of judgement it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon than for you. And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? No, you will be brought down to Hades. For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. But I tell you that on the day of judgement it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom than for you.' At that time Jesus said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. 'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

Here ends the second lesson

COLLECT

May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good works. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

OFFICE: 291

OFFERTORY: 289

EVENSONG

HYMN: 184

PSALM: 127, 128 *Nisi Dominus*

1. EXCEPT the Lord build the house: their labour is but lost that build it.
2. Except the Lord keep the city: the watchman waketh but in vain.
3. It is but lost labour that ye haste to rise up early, and so late take rest, and eat the bread of carefulness: for so he giveth his beloved sleep.
4. Lo, children and the fruit of the womb: are an heritage and gift that cometh of the Lord.
5. Like as the arrows in the hand of the giant: even so are the young children.
6. Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed when they speak with their enemies in the gate.
7. BLESSED are all they that fear the Lord: and walk in his ways.
8. For thou shalt eat the labours of thine hands: O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.
9. Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine: upon the walls of thine house.
10. Thy children like the olive-branches: round about thy table.
11. Lo, thus shall the man be blessed: that feareth the Lord.
12. The Lord from out of Sion shall so bless thee: that thou shalt see Jerusalem in prosperity all thy life long.
13. Yea, that thou shalt see thy children's children: and peace upon Israel.

Please stand

Bow Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. *Rise* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Joshua 5:13-6:20

A reading from the book of Joshua

Once when Joshua was near Jericho, he looked up and saw a man standing before him with a drawn sword in his hand. Joshua went to him and said to him, 'Are you one of us, or one of our adversaries?'

He replied, 'Neither; but as commander of the army of the LORD I have now come.' And Joshua fell on his face to the earth and worshipped, and he said to him, 'What do you command your servant, my lord?' The commander of the army of the LORD said to Joshua, 'Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place where you stand is holy.' And Joshua did so. Now Jericho was shut up inside and out because of the Israelites; no one came out and no one went in. The LORD said to Joshua, 'See, I have handed Jericho over to you, along with its king and soldiers.

You shall march around the city, all the warriors circling the city once. Thus you shall do for six days, with seven priests bearing seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark. On the seventh day you shall march around the city seven times, the priests blowing the trumpets. When they make a long blast with the ram's horn, as soon as you hear the sound of the trumpet, then all the people shall shout with a great shout; and the wall of the city will fall down flat, and all the people shall charge straight ahead.' So Joshua son of Nun summoned the priests and said to them, 'Take up the ark of the covenant, and have seven priests carry seven trumpets of rams' horns in front of the ark of the LORD.' To the people he said, 'Go forward and march around the city; have the armed men pass on before the ark of the LORD.' As Joshua had commanded the people, the seven priests carrying the seven trumpets of rams' horns before the LORD went forward, blowing the trumpets, with the ark of the covenant of the LORD following them. And the armed men went before the priests who blew the trumpets; the rear guard came after the ark, while the trumpets blew continually. To the

people Joshua gave this command: 'You shall not shout or let your voice be heard, nor shall you utter a word, until the day I tell you to shout. Then you shall shout.' So the ark of the LORD went around the city, circling it once; and they came into the camp, and spent the night in the camp. Then Joshua rose early in the morning, and the priests took up the ark of the LORD. The seven priests carrying the seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD passed on, blowing the trumpets continually. The armed men went before them, and the rear guard came after the ark of the LORD, while the trumpets blew continually. On the second day they marched around the city once and then returned to the camp. They did this for six days. On the seventh day they rose early, at dawn, and marched around the city in the same manner seven times. It was only on that day that they marched around the city seven times. And at the seventh time, when the priests had blown the trumpets, Joshua said to the people, 'Shout! For the LORD has given you the city. The city and all that is in it shall be devoted to the LORD for destruction. Only Rahab the prostitute and all who are with her in her house shall live, because she hid the messengers we sent. As for you, keep away from the things devoted to destruction, so as not to covet and take any of the devoted things and make the camp of Israel an object for destruction, bringing trouble upon it. But all silver and gold, and vessels of bronze and iron, are sacred to the LORD; they shall go into the treasury of the LORD.' So the people shouted, and the trumpets were blown. As soon as the people heard the sound of the trumpets, they raised a great shout, and the wall fell down flat; so the people charged straight ahead into the city and captured it.

Here ends the first lesson

SECOND READING: Matthew 10:1-22

A reading from the gospel according to Matthew

Then he began to reproach the cities in