



**St Mary's Church, Charlton Kings
Sunday, 11th October, 2020—Trinity 18**

Whether you are present in church or watching online we warmly welcome you to our services today. If you are coming to church, please bring and wear a face covering which may be removed when receiving communion but which should be replaced immediately afterwards.

TODAY'S SERVICES

10:00am Holy Communion

President:

Rev'd Graham Bowkett

Preacher: Jean Hockett

Readings: Exodus 32:1-14
Philippians 4:1-9
Matthew 22:1-14

Collect for Trinity 17:

Almighty and everlasting God,
increase in us your gift of faith
that, forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to that which is
before
we may run the way of your
commandments
and win the crown of everlasting 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.

Amen.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion:

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
for all the benefits you have given me,
for all the pains and insults you have

borne for me. Since I cannot now
receive you sacramentally, I ask you to
come spiritually into my heart.
O most merciful redeemer, friend and
brother, may I know you more clearly,
love you more dearly, and follow you
more nearly, day by day.

Amen.

Post Communion Prayer:

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for
this sacred feast:
for here we receive you,
here the memory of your passion is
renewed;
here our minds are filled with grace,
and here a pledge of future glory is
given,
when we shall feast at that table
where you reign
with all your saints for ever

Amen.

6:30pm Evening Prayer

Officiant: Rev Adrian Beere

Readings: Proverbs 3:1-18
Psalm 139:1-18 (or 1-11)
1 John 3:1-15

What's On?

Morning and Evening Prayer are said in St David's Chapel daily (Monday to Friday) at 9:00am and 5:30pm respectively. These are 'public' services and all are welcome to attend

October:

Wednesday 14th

6:00pm Wedding and Baptism Enquiries Church

Thursday 15th

10:15am Little Fishes via Zoom (contact Anne on 260575 for link)
11:00am Holy Communion (Common Worship Order 2) Church

Sunday 18th—St Luke

8:00am Holy Communion (Common Worship Order 2) Church
10:00am Parish Communion Church
6:30pm Evening Prayer Church

Saturdays 24th

9:30am Holy Dusters Church Cleaning Church

Sunday 25th Dedication Festival (Last Sunday after Trinity)

8:00am Holy Communion (Common Worship Order 2) Church
10:00am Parish Communion Church
6:30pm Evening Prayer Church

Monday 26th

7:30pm Annual Parochial Church Meeting Church

November:

Sunday 1st

10:00am **All Saints' Day** Holy Communion Church
6:30pm **All Souls'** commemoration of the faithful departed Church

Monday 2nd

2:30pm Mothers' Union Church

Tuesday 3rd

9:15am MU Corporate Communion Church

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) - Monday, 26th October

Nominations for new PCC members are requested— forms may be found at the back of Church. Please consider whether you are able to serve in this way.

We also urgently need to recruit some more Sidesmen/Welcomers to replace those who have either moved away or retired, please contact the Churchwardens, Jean or Colin if you are interested in this special form of ministry at St Mary's.

From the Vicar

On Sunday the 18th of October we edge ever closer to some form of normality with the worship rota. It has been decided that we will reintroduce the 8:00am Holy Communion service so we will in theory have a full complement of services. After much thought and discussion has been also decided that a small choral offering will, hopefully, be re-introduced at the 10:00am service. As you can imagine, this last aspiration is exactly that, an aspiration, but again who knows I do believe in miracles – it just might happen.

These are all baby steps and, to be honest, who knows what church services will look like or be able to achieve over the next few months. What I do hope is that when we do gather our worship is nourishing and rewarding for everyone. I do know things are strange and difficult at the moment which makes my words here even more important. I want to say thank you to all of you. I do really appreciate all of you continuing to support and engage with St Mary's. If it wasn't for you all then St Mary's would simply be an empty building rather than a holy, spiritual prayerful place - a place of great significance and meaning.

Finally take care and stay safe.

Blessings

Graham

St Mary's Electoral Roll

In order to stand for, or vote in, an election for PCC members, you must be entered on the Electoral Roll for St Mary's. A copy of the current Roll, which will be temporarily closed for revision next week, is kept in the North Transept of St Mary's Church. To have your name entered on the Electoral Roll, please complete an application form which may be found at the west end of St Mary's. Completed application forms should be sent to the Electoral Roll Officer, Ann Haseler, or given to one of the Churchwardens as soon as possible.

Cheltenham Open Door Christmas Appeal

Cheltenham Open Door will be providing an 'all-the-trimmings' Christmas dinner, a fancy high tea and gifts for all their guests to collect—those who cannot collect their meals and gifts Open Door will deliver to them. Donations of money, food, gifts and men's clothes in support of this event will be welcome. If you can volunteer to help, any time from 2831 December 2020 please sign up on the website between 1– 14 October at www.cheltenhamopendoor.org.uk/christmas-support.

For your prayers:

Please pray for those who are sick including Brian Clarke, Raymond Blackwell, Colin Johnson, Brenda Linney, Zoe Grist, Kathy Keffler, Jill Muir and Val Flippance.

Please pray for the families and friends of those who have died recently including Jean White, Phyllis Drinkwater and George Compton.

We also remember Derek Viner, Norma Yeates and Marjorie Anderson whose year's mind falls at this time.

WEDNESDAYS AT SIX—WEDDING AND BAPTISM ENQUIRIES IN CHURCH

To enquire about or book a wedding or baptism, please come along to St Mary's Church between 6:00 and 6:30pm on any Wednesday evening to meet the clergy and discuss options and dates. Enter St Mary's via the main (west) door and take the left hand aisle leading to the North Transept.

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Edward the Confessor (13th October)

Sovereign God,
who set your servant Edward upon the throne of an earthly kingdom and inspired him with zeal for the kingdom of heaven:
grant that we may so confess the faith of Christ by word and deed, that we may, with all your saints, inherit your eternal glory;
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.
Amen.

Items for inclusion in the Notices need to be emailed to
churchwarden@stmarysck.org.uk by **Wednesday** each week