

St John's Pevensey Road
Pews News and Service Sheet
for Sunday 16th July 2023
Trinity 6

Welcome

This week:

Morning Prayer: 9a.m. Mon,
Tues, Thurs, Friday in St Peter's
Chapel

Midweek Mass: Wednesday
10am in St Peter's Chapel

Online Zoom service:
Wednesdays at 10 a.m.

Morning Coffee: Friday 10 –12
noon in Church

Our prayers are asked for:

Holly H, Arlene, Andy, Jackie N, Marie N, John T, Nigel and Carrie, Geraldine, Della, The Rev Lizzie, Clare, Janet F, Basia S, Tim, Kathryn, Gill T, Lesley, Jack P, Sheila, Peter, and Anna.

Please pray also for...

the repose of the souls of the recently departed, especially Barbara Sommerville and Jo Heyworth

...and those whose Years Minds fall around this time, Including Ahava Green, Sidney Beamont, Mary Quartey-Cofie, Angela Bennett, Topsy Harvey, Bernard Shaw, Penny Gick, Michael Counsell ...

and all who mourn.



Parish Lunch

There will be a bring and share lunch in church after Mass next week on Sunday 23rd July.

There is a list of at the back of the church with suggestions; please put your name by what you would like to bring to avoid all bringing the same thing!

Any questions please speak to Katy or Jenny.

Introit : Teach me, O Lord - Attwood

Opening Hymn

New every morning is the love
our wakening and uprising prove;
through sleep and darkness safely
brought,
restored to life, and power,
and thought.

New mercies, each returning day,
hover around us while we pray;
new perils past, new sins forgiven,
new thoughts of God, new hopes
of heaven.

If on our daily course our mind
be set to hallow all we find,
new treasures still, of countless price,
God will provide for sacrifice.

The trivial round, the common task,
would furnish all we ought to ask,
room to deny ourselves, a road
to bring us daily nearer God.

Only, O Lord, in thy dear love
fit us for perfect rest above;
and help us this and every day
to live more nearly as we pray.

John Keble (1792—1866)

The Welcoming of the People

Priest In the name of the Father, and of
the Son and of the Holy Spirit. *All* Amen.

Priest The Lord be with you.

All and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are
hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our
hearts by the inspiration of your Holy
Spirit, that we may perfectly love
you, and worthily magnify your holy
name; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

Invitation to confession

Deacon God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ
to save us from our sins,
to be our advocate in heaven,
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence
and faith, firmly resolved to keep
God's commandments
and to live in love and peace with all.

All Almighty God, our heavenly
Father, we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weak-
ness, through our own deliberate
fault. We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you
in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis is sung by all

**Glory to God , Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest,
Glory to God in the highest
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you
thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the
Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the
world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of
the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**Glory to God , Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest,**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus
Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Glory to God , Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.**

The Collect for the Day

Priest Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who
love you such good things as pass
our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love to-
ward you that we, loving you in all
things and above all things, may
obtain your promises, which
exceed all that we can desire;
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.

All Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word—all sit

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Isa. 55:10-13

For as the rain and the snow come down
from heaven, and do not return there
until they have watered the earth, making
it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to
the sower and bread to the eater, so shall
my word be that goes out from my
mouth; it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I
purpose, and succeed in the thing for
which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy,
and be led back in peace; the mountains
and the hills before you shall burst into
song, and all the trees of the field shall
clap their hands. Instead of the thorn
shall come up the cypress; instead of the
brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall
be to the LORD for a memorial, for an
everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

A Reading from the letter to the Romans

Rom. 8.1-11

There is therefore now no condemnation
for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the
law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has
set you free from the law of sin and of
death. For God has done what the law,
weakened by the flesh, could not do: by
sending his own Son in the likeness of
sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he

condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn

**Lord, thy word abideth,
and our footsteps guideth;
who its truth believeth
light and joy receiveth.**

**When our foes are near us,
then thy word doth cheer us,
word of consolation,
message of salvation.**

**When the storms are o'er us,
and dark clouds before us,
then its light directeth,
and our way protecteth.**

**Who can tell the pleasure,
who recount the treasure,
by thy word imparted
to the simple-hearted?**

**Word of mercy, giving
succour to the living;
word of life, supplying
comfort to the dying!**

**O that we discerning
its most holy learning,
Lord, may love and fear thee,
evermore be near thee.**

H. W. Baker (1821—77)

Gospel Reading

*When the Gospel is announced
the Deacon says*

Alleluia, alleluia.

The word of the Lord endures for ever.

The word of the Lord is the good news announced to you. **All Alleluia.**

Deacon The Lord be with you

All And also with you.

Dcn Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 13. 1-9, 18-23

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake.

Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow.

And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

Let anyone with ears listen!"

"Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the

word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Creed

Deacon Let us declare our faith in God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down
from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy
Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures; he
ascended into heaven and is seated
at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the giver of life, who proceeds from the
Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is
worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for
the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

**Prayers of Intercession - led by the inter-
cessor using their own words or ...**

O God our creator,
whose good earth is entrusted
to our care and delight and tenderness,
we pray:
May those who sow in tears
reap with shouts of joy.

For all who are in captivity to debt,
whose lives are cramped by fear
from which there is no turning
except through abundant harvest.
May those who sow in tears
reap with shouts of joy.

For all who depend on the earth for
their daily food and fuel
whose forests are destroyed
for the profits of a few.
May those who sow in tears
reap with shouts of joy.

For all who labour in poverty,
who are oppressed by unjust laws,
who are banned for speaking the truth,
who long for a harvest of justice.
May those who sow in tears
reap with shouts of joy.

For all who are in captivity
to greed and waste and boredom,
whose harvest joy is choked
with things they do not need.
May those who sow in tears
reap with shouts of joy.

Turn us again from our captivity
and restore our vision,
that our mouth may be filled
with laughter
and our tongue with singing.
Amen.

The Peace

Deacon God is love, and those who live in
love live in God and God lives in them.

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with
you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory hymn *during which the altar is
prepared, and bread and wine are placed upon
it*

**Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!
His the sceptre, his the throne;
alleluia! His the triumph,
his the victory alone:
hark! The songs of peaceful Sion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.**

**Alleluia! Not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
alleluia! He is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how:**

though the cloud from sight received
him,
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
"I am with you evermore"?

**Alleluia! Bread of angels,
thou on earth our food, our stay;
alleluia! Here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day:
intercessor, friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.**

**Alleluia! King eternal,
thee the Lord of Lords we own;
alleluia! Born of Mary,
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great high priest;
thou on earth both priest and victim
in the Eucharistic feast.**

W. Chatterton Dix. (1837–98)

Prayer at the Preparation of the Altar

The priest takes the bread and wine

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; you bring forth bread from the earth. **All Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; you create the fruit of the vine.

All Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer (A)

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. For he is your living Word; through him you have created all things from the beginning, and formed us in your own image. Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin, giving him to be born of a woman and to die upon the cross; you raised him from the dead and exalted him to your right hand on high. Through him you have sent upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit, and made us a people for your own possession. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood; who,

in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. In the same way, after supper he took

cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**All Christ has died: Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

All Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Deacon Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**All Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass
against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All Though we are many,
we are one body,
because we all share in one
bread.**

**We sit as *Agnus Dei* is sung by all
Lamb of God, you take away the
sin of the world, have mercy on
us.
Lamb of God, you take away the
sin of the world, have mercy on
us.
Lamb of God, you take away the
sin of the world, grant us peace.**

Giving of Communion

The priest says the invitation

Draw near with faith.

Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you.

Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Communion is received. Please bow your head if you prefer to receive a blessing.

The Body of Christ. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ. **Amen.**

Anthem: O Saviour of the world—Goss

Hymn

**Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust, ever childlike, no cares
could destroy,**

**Be there at our waking,
and give us, we pray,
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord,
at the break of the day.**

**Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
Whose strong hands were skilled at the
plane and the lathe,
Be there at our labours,
and give us, we pray,
Your strength in our hearts, Lord,
at the noon of the day.**

**Lord of all kindness,
Lord of all grace,
Your hands swift to welcome,
your arms to embrace,
Be there at our homing,
and give us, we pray,
Your love in our hearts, Lord,
at the eve of the day.**

**Lord of all gentleness,
Lord of all calm,
Whose voice is contentment,
whose presence is balm,
Be there at our sleeping,
and give us, we pray,
Your peace in our hearts, Lord,
at the end of the day.**

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Prayer after Communion

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

All **Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son
and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your
love, gave us grace, and opened the
gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body**

live his risen life; we who drink his cup
bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights
give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope
you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be
free, and the whole earth live
to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Notices

The Blessing

Priest The Lord be with you

All And also with you

Priest The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you al-
ways.

All Amen.

Final hymn

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Come unto me and rest;
lay down, thou weary one,
lay down thy head upon my breast:'
I came to Jesus as I was,
weary and worn and sad;
I found in him a resting-place,
and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Behold, I freely give
the living water, thirsty one;
stoop down, and drink, and live:'
I came to Jesus, and I drank
of that life-giving stream;

my thirst was quenched,
my soul revived,
and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say
'I am this dark world's Light;
look unto me, thy morn shall rise,
and all thy day be bright:'
I looked to Jesus, and I found
in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk
till travelling days are done.

Horatius Bonar (1808-89)

The Dismissal

Priest The Lord be with you

All And also with you

All May the grace of our Lord Jesus
Christ, and love of God, and the fellow-
ship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all,
evermore. Amen.

Priest May the souls of the faithful de-
parted, through the mercy of God, rest
in peace... **All** and rise in glory. Amen.

Dcn Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

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for coffee
after the
Mass*

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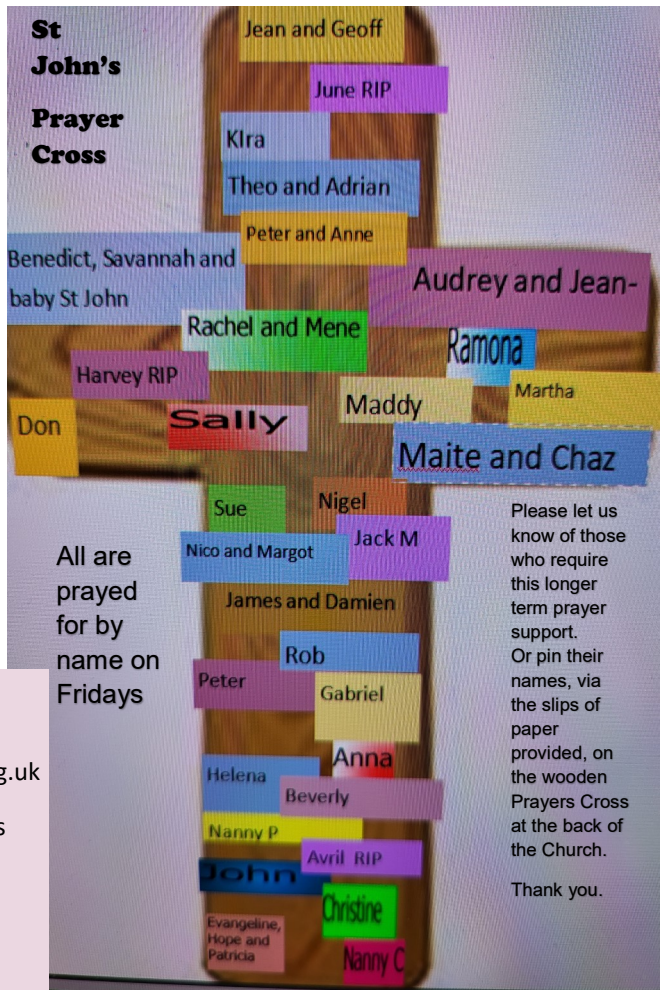
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