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**Pews News and  
Service Sheet**

**for Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July –  
Trinity 7**

**This week:**

**Morning Prayer. 9am  
Mon, Tues, Thurs,  
Friday in St Peter's  
Chapel**

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

**Online Zoom service:  
Wednesdays at 10am**

**Morning Coffee: Friday  
10 – 12 noon in Church**

**Welcome to Mass  
this morning –  
followed by**

**Bring and Share  
LUNCH**

**NB. You are very  
welcome to `share`  
even if you didn't  
know to `bring`!!**



**OneBodyOneFaith**

## Our prayers are asked for:

Holly H, Arlene, Andy, Jackie N, Marie N, John T, Nigel and Carrie, Geraldine, Della, The Rev Lizzie G, 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,  
...and those whose Years Minds fall around this time, including Jack Murrills and Robert Blankson, and all who mourn.



DE LA WARR  
PAVILION

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2023

7.00pm

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*Introit: Pray that Jerusalem -  
Stanford*

### **Opening Hymn**

O worship the Lord in the  
beauty of holiness!  
Bow down before him, his  
glory proclaim;  
with gold of obedience, and  
incense of lowliness,  
kneel and adore him, the  
Lord is his name!

Low at his feet lay thy burden  
of carefulness,  
high on his heart he will bear  
it for thee,  
comfort thy sorrows, and  
answer thy prayerfulness,  
guiding thy steps as may  
best for thee be.

Fear not to enter his courts in  
the slenderness  
of the poor wealth thou  
wouldst reckon as thine:  
truth in its beauty, and love in  
its tenderness,  
these are the offerings to lay  
on his shrine.

These, though we bring them  
in trembling and fearfulness,  
he will accept for the name  
that is dear;  
mornings of joy give for  
evenings of tearfulness,  
trust for our trembling and  
hope for our fear.

O worship the Lord in the  
beauty of holiness!  
Bow down before him, his  
glory proclaim;  
with gold of obedience, and  
incense of lowliness,  
kneel and adore him, the  
Lord is his name!

*J S B Monsell (1811 -75)*

### **The Welcoming of the People**

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

*All* Amen.

*Priest* 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 weakness,  
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.**

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon *you*, pardon and deliver *you* from all *your* sins,  
confirm and strengthen *you* in all goodness, and keep *you* in life eternal;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**All Amen.**

### **The Gloria in Excelsis is sung**

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

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**

*The priest introduces the Collect of the day with the words, 'Let us pray'*

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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**

### **The Liturgy of the Word—*all sit***

#### **A reading from the Wisdom of Solomon**

*Wisdom 12.13, 16-19*

For neither is there any god besides you, whose care is for all people, to whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly;.....

For your strength is the source of righteousness, and your sovereignty over all causes you to spare all. For you show your strength when people doubt the completeness of your power, and you rebuke any insolence among those who know it. Although you are sovereign in strength, you judge with mildness, and with great forbearance you govern us; for you have power to act whenever you choose. Through such works you have taught your people that the righteous must be kind, and you have filled your children with good

hope, because you give repentance for sins.

For the Word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

#### **A Reading from the letter to the Romans**

*Romans 8. 12 -25*

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us.

For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who

have the first fruits of the Spirit,  
groan inwardly while we wait for  
adoption, the redemption of our  
bodies.

For in hope we were saved. Now  
hope that is seen is not hope. For  
who hopes for what is seen? But if  
we hope for what we do not see,  
we wait for it with patience.

For the Word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn** *during which the Gospel is  
brought amongst us.*

**Immortal, invisible,  
God only wise,  
in light inaccessible  
hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious,  
the Ancient of Days,  
almighty, victorious,  
thy great name we praise.**

**Unresting, unshaking,  
and silent as light,  
nor wanting, nor wasting,  
thou rulest in might;  
thy justice like mountains  
high soaring above  
thy clouds which are  
fountains  
of goodness and love.**

**To all life thou givest,  
to both great and small;  
in all life thou livest,  
the true life of all;  
we blossom and flourish  
as leaves on the tree,  
and wither and perish;  
but naught changeth thee.**

**Great Father of glory,  
pure Father of light,  
thine angels adore thee,  
all veiling their sight;  
all laud we would render:  
O help us to see  
'tis only the splendour of  
light hideth thee.**

*W Chalmers Smith (1824 – 1908)*

**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.**

*Matt. 13:24-30, 36-43*

Jesus put before them another  
parable: "The kingdom of  
heaven may be compared to  
someone who sowed good  
seed in his field;

but while everybody was  
asleep, an enemy came and  
sowed weeds among the  
wheat, and then went away.

So when the plants came up  
and bore grain, then the weeds  
appeared as well.

And the slaves of the  
householder came and said to

him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?'

He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?'

But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'".....

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field."

He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of

fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

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 intercessor using their own words or ...**

We pray for God to fill us with his Spirit.

Lord, come to bless us.

**Fill us with your Spirit.**

Generous God, we thank you for the power of your Holy Spirit. We ask that we may be strengthened to serve you better.

Lord, come to bless us.

**Fill us with your Spirit.**

We thank you for the wisdom of your Holy Spirit.

We ask you to make us wise to understand your will.

Lord, come to bless us.

**Fill us with your Spirit.**

We thank you for the peace of your Holy Spirit.

We ask you to keep us confident of your love, wherever you call us.

Lord, come to bless us.

**Fill us with your Spirit.**

We thank you for the healing of your Holy Spirit.

We ask you to bring reconciliation and wholeness where there is division, sickness and sorrow.

Lord, come to bless us.

**Fill us with your Spirit.**

We thank you for the gifts of your Holy Spirit. We ask you to equip us for the work which you have given us.

Lord, come to bless us.

**Fill us with your Spirit.**

We thank you for the fruit of your Holy Spirit.

We ask you to reveal in our lives the love of Jesus.

Lord, come to bless us.

**Fill us with your Spirit.**

We thank you for the breath of your Holy Spirit, given by the risen Lord.

We ask you to keep the whole Church, living and departed, in the joy of eternal life.



Lord, come to bless us.

**Fill us with your Spirit.**

Generous God, you sent your Holy Spirit upon your Messiah at the River Jordan, and upon the disciples in the upper room. In your mercy fill us with your Spirit.

**Hear our prayer, and make us one in heart and mind to serve you with joy for ever. 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*

**God is working his purpose out as year succeeds to year, God is working his purpose out and the time is drawing near; nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be, when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.**

**From utmost east to utmost west where'er man's foot hath trod, by the mouth of many messengers goes forth the voice of God, Give ear to me, ye continents, ye isles, give ear to me, that the earth may be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.**

**What can we do to work God's work, to prosper and increase the brotherhood of all mankind, the reign of the Prince of peace? What can we do to hasten the time, the time that shall surely be, when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.**

**March we forth in the strength of God with the banner of Christ unfurled, that the light of the glorious gospel of truth may shine throughout the world; fight we the fight with sorrow and sin, to set their captives free, that the earth may be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.**

**All we can do is nothing worth unless God blesses the deed; vainly we hope for the**

**harvest-tide till God gives life  
to the seed;  
yet nearer and nearer draws  
the time, the time that shall  
surely be,  
when the earth shall be filled  
with the glory of God as the  
waters cover the sea.**

*A C. Ainger (1841-1919)*

### **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: Ave Verum Corpus - Elgar*

### **Hymn**

**Once, only once, and once  
for all,  
his precious life he gave;**

**before the cross in faith we  
fall,  
and own it strong to save.**

**One offering, single and  
complete,  
with lips and heart we say;  
but what he never can repeat  
he shows forth day by day.**

**For, as the priest of Aaron's  
line  
within the holiest stood,  
and sprinkled all the mercy-  
shrine  
with sacrificial blood;  
so he who once atonement  
wrought,  
our Priest of endless power,  
presents himself for those he  
bought  
in that dark noontide hour.**

**His manhood pleads where  
now it lives  
on heaven's eternal throne,  
and where in mystic rite he  
gives  
its presence to his own.  
And so we show thy death, O  
Lord,  
till thou again appear;  
and feel, when we approach  
thy board,  
we have an altar here.**

*William Bright (1824 – 1901)*

### **Prayer after Communion**

Lord God, whose Son is the  
true vine and the source of life,  
ever giving himself that the  
world may live: may we so

receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **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  
always. **All Amen.**

### **Final hymn**

**O praise ye the Lord!  
Praise him in the height;  
rejoice in his word,  
ye angels of light;  
ye heavens adore him  
by whom ye were made,  
and worship before him,  
in brightness arrayed.**

**O praise ye the Lord!  
Praise him upon earth,  
in tuneful accord,  
ye sons of new birth;  
praise him who has brought  
you his grace from above,  
praise him who has taught  
you to sing of his love.**

**O praise ye the Lord,  
all things that give sound,  
each jubilant chord  
re-echo around;  
loud organs, his glory  
forth tell in deep tone,  
and, sweet harp, the story  
of what he has done.**

**O praise ye the Lord!  
Thanksgiving and song  
to him be outpoured  
all ages along:  
for love in creation,  
for heaven restored,  
for grace of salvation,  
**O praise ye the Lord!****

## 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 fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all, evermore. Amen.

*Priest* May the souls of the faithful departed, 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.

*Organ voluntary: Grand choeur in B Flat major – Dubois*

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