

Morecambe Parish Church

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Registered Charity Number: 1154323



We extend a warm welcome to all visitors

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY - 26TH SEPTEMBER

Today

10:30 am Parish Eucharist
3:00 pm Tea at the Rectory

Readings for 26th September:

James 5:13 - end
Mark 9:38 - end

For Our Prayers

Those who are sick: Mary Wilson, Leslie Morgan, Eileen Hutchinson, Owen, Petria Burns, Brenda Hunt, Pauline Sterritt, Janet Sensicall, Alison Longhurst, Stuart Whyte, Emily Mather, Guy Heath, John Gibson, Ricky, Paul Hope, Patsy Smith.

RIP:

Year's Mind: Marjorie Price, Dorothy Cunliffe, Mary Wilding, Ann Lord, Robert Procter, Edith Busby, John Sharpe, Louie Moorhouse, Eric Mather, Kenneth Fletcher, Harry Blakey, Ethel Lancashire, Edith Wilding, Mabel Wilkinson, Reginald Parks, Ruby Singleton.

The Care Homes in our Parish

We Pray for all the residents and staff of Care homes in our Parish.
In particular Thornton Lodge, Arnside Lodge, The Mayfair, and The Sands.



There is a loop system, please switch your aid to T.

Large print copies of this sheet are available to enhance your reading.

This Week

Monday	27th	9:00	AM	Morecambe Pantry
Wednesday	29th	9:00	AM	School Worship
		1:30	PM	Finance Team Meeting
Thursday	30th	11:30	AM	Quiet Communion
		7:30	PM	Choir Practice
Friday	1st	3:00	PM	Morecambe Pantry
Sunday	3rd	10:30	AM	Parish Eucharist
		12:30	PM	Baptism

Prayer for this week...

Gracious God,
you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
and banish our anxieties
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us,
and make us continually to be given to all good works;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Readings

James 5:13 - 20

¹³ Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. ¹⁴ Is anyone among you ill? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. ¹⁶ Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

¹⁷ Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. ¹⁸ Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops.

¹⁹ My brothers and sisters, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring that person back, ²⁰ remember this: whoever turns a sinner from the error of their way will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins.

This is the Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.

Mark 9: 38 - 50

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark,

Glory to you, O Lord

³⁸ ‘Teacher,’ said John, ‘we saw someone driving out demons in your name and we told him to stop, because he was not one of us.’

³⁹ ‘Do not stop him,’ Jesus said. ‘For no one who does a miracle in my name can in the next moment say anything bad about me, ⁴⁰ for whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹ Truly I tell you, anyone who gives you a cup of water in my name because you belong to the Messiah will certainly not lose their reward.’

Causing to stumble

⁴² ‘If anyone causes one of these little ones – those who believe in me – to stumble, it would be better for them if a large millstone were hung round their neck and they were thrown into the sea. ⁴³ If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life maimed than with two hands to go into hell, where the fire never goes out. [a] ⁴⁵ And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. [b] ⁴⁷ And if your eye causes you to stumble, pluck it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸ where

“the worms that eat them do not die,
and the fire is not quenched.”

⁴⁹ Everyone will be salted with fire.

⁵⁰ ‘Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can you make it salty again? Have salt among yourselves, and be at peace with each other.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Hymns

1. Inspired by love and anger,
disturbed by need and pain,
informed of God's own bias,
we ask him once again:
"How long must some folk suffer?
How long can few folk mind?
How long dare vain self interest
turn prayer and pity blind?"
2. From those forever victims
of heartless human greed,
their cruel plight composes
a litany of need:
"Where are the fruits of justice?
Where are the signs of peace?
When is the day when prisoners
and dreams find their release?"
3. To God, who through the prophets
proclaimed a different age,
we offer earth's indifference,
its agony and rage:
"When will the wrong be righted?
When will the kingdom come?
When will the world be generous
to all instead of some?"
4. God asks, "Who will go for me?
Who will extend my reach?
And who, when few will listen,
will prophesy and preach?
And who, when few bid welcome,
will offer all they know?
And who, when few dare follow,
will walk the road I show?"

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1. Father, hear the prayer we offer:
not for ease that prayer shall be,
but for strength that we may ever
live our lives courageously.
 2. Not for ever in green pastures
do we ask our way to be;
but the steep and rugged
pathway
may we tread rejoicingly.
 3. Not for ever by still waters
would we idly rest and stay;
but would smite the living
fountains
from the rocks along our way.
 4. Be our strength in hours of
weakness,
in our wanderings be our guide;
through endeavour, failure, danger,
Father, be thou at our side.

1. There's a wideness in God's mercy
like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in his justice
which is more than liberty.
There is no place where earth's
sorrows
are more felt than up in heaven;
there is no place where earth's
failings
have such kindly judgement given.
2. For the love of God is broader
than the measures of man's mind;
and the heart of the eternal
is most wonderfully kind.
But we make his love too narrow
by false limits of our own;
and we magnify his strictness
with a zeal he will not own.
3. There is plentiful redemption
in the blood that has been shed;
there is joy for all the members
in the sorrows of the head.
There is grace enough for
thousands
of new worlds as great as this;
there is room for fresh creations
in that upper home of bliss.
4. If our love were but more simple,
we should take him at his word;
and our lives would be all gladness
in the joy of Christ our Lord.

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1. Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore.
 2. Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fiery cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
Strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield.
 3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs and praises
I will ever give to thee.



Important Notice

Our 9:30AM service will now be starting from the 10th October. Booking will be made available online.

You can book online at the following link:

<https://bit.ly/3hSSVAg>

Flowers in Church - Update from Valerie “of the flower elves”.

Now we are ‘hopefully’ heading towards more openness, it would be great if we could have some more ‘helpers’ to join us in arranging flowers. It is very therapeutic and can be good fun. You don’t need a City & Guilds Qualification! We arrange the flowers in vases or use oasis and we help each other. We were all novices at one time!

The money for flowers is donated in memory of a loved one or to remember a special occasion.

Please see Valerie Blaylock (usually singing in the choir)

Church Magazine

Copies of the magazine subscription form can be found at the back of church.

If you would like to include something in the Church magazine, whether it be an article or some lovely pictures, please email them to Fi before the 25th September.

Her email is: Fiona.Krawiec@morecambeparish.church

Harvest 2021

The Harvest Festival is on 3rd October 2021. There will be copies of a letter from the Bishop at the back of church, talking about the Bishop’s Harvest appeal.



YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US
AT THE RECTORY FOR

CAKE AND TEA ON SUNDAYS AT 3:00



12TH SEPTEMBER
26TH SEPTEMBER
10TH OCTOBER

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO
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