



Notices for 22 June 2025

A warm welcome to everyone

The First Sunday after Trinity

Please come into the hall for refreshments after the 09:30 service.

Collect:

God of truth,
help us to keep your law of love
and to walk in ways of wisdom,
that we may find true life
in Jesus Christ your Son.

Hymns:

- 497** Let all the world in every corner sing
- 401** Come let us join our cheerful songs
- 534** O for a thousand tongues to sing
- 581** Take my life and let it be
- 543** O praise ye the Lord

Although there is no formal collection during the offertory hymn, please feel free to make a contribution to the work of St. Mary's either in the Treasury box at the back of church, or using the card reader, also at the back of church. Thank you.

Readings:

Galatians 3:23-29

²³ Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴ Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶ for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷ As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸ There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, ^[a] heirs according to the promise.

Luke 8:26-39

Jesus Heals the Gerasene Demoniac

²⁶ Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, ^[a] which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷ As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn ^[b] no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me' — ²⁹ for Jesus ^[c] had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) ³⁰ Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. ³¹ They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

³² Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons ^[d] begged Jesus ^[e] to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³ Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

³⁴ When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵ Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man

from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶ Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷ Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes^[f] asked Jesus^[g] to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸ The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus^[h] sent him away, saying, ³⁹ 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Post-communion prayer:

Eternal Father,
we thank you for nourishing us
with these heavenly gifts:
may our communion strengthen us in faith,
build us up in hope,
and make us grow in love;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Vacancy News – Peter & Dan

The Bishop of Guildford is delighted to announce that Rev Canon Dr Joshva John Christopher has been appointed as Vicar at Cuddington. He is currently Head of International Bible Advocacy Centre at the British and Foreign Bible Society in Swindon.

He will be licensed at Cuddington on **Weds 9th July at 7:30pm** at a service which will be led by Rt Revd Paul Davis, Bishop of Dorking, and to which members of the local community are warmly invited to join.

We are providing refreshments for Joshva, his family and friends, local vicars, local dignitaries and members of the community after the installation service on July 9th. We would like to provide a good spread, and would be very grateful if you could sign up to help provide refreshments on the sheet provided at the back of the Church. Enquiries to Sara Tomlin.

8am SERVICES will be held only once a month on the first Sunday of each month. Any questions please talk to Dan or Peter.

Dates for your diary

Saturday 28th June Vanda and Steve Robbins are holding a service to renew their wedding vows at 2pm. All from St Mary's are very welcome to attend. There will also be cake and a glass of prosecco after the Service on Sunday 29th of June.

Sunday 29th June Homemade Sunday after the morning service. Please could you all make cakes, sew crafts, make cards, and pot up plants to sell so we can boost Church funds. Enquiries to Sara Tomlin.

Saturday 13th Sep 11am-5pm Heritage Open Day. We are planning a display to mark the 130th anniversary of the opening of the present church with new material not previously shown. if you can help or lend any photographs or cinefilms of church events, ***David Rymill would love to hear from you***

The social committee has also planned some dates for our diaries: -

Parish BBQ - Sunday 7th September.

Quiz Night - Saturday 25th October ***Enquiries: Sara & Daphne***