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| **13th July**  **Fourth Sunday after Trinity** | *Welcome!* |
| **Sunday and Weekday Service** |  |

**The Collect**

Gracious Father, by the obedience of Jesus you brought salvation to our wayward world: draw us into harmony with your will, that we may find all things restored in him, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**Hymns**

132 Come now is the time for worship

819 When I needed a neighbour

91 Brother sister let me serve you

430 Let there be love

**First Reading,** *Deuteronomy 30.9-14*

And the Lord your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the Lord will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, when you obey the Lord your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, ‘Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?’ Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, ‘Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?’ No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

**Second Reading,** *Colossians 1.1-14*

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God’s will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

**Gospel***, Luke 10.25-37*

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. ‘Teacher,’ he said, ‘what must I do to inherit eternal life?’ He said to him, ‘What is written in the law? What do you read there?’ He answered, ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.’ And he said to him, ‘You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.’ But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, ‘And who is my neighbour?’ Jesus replied, ‘A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, “Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.” Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?’ He said, ‘The one who showed him mercy.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Go and do likewise.’

**Post Communion**

Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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| **Intercessions**  **The World:** For peace in all areas of conflict in the world. For those affected by fires, floods and earthquakes. For emergency workers working in disaster areas. For refugees, asylum seekers and agencies that help them. For good stewardship of the earth and its resources.  **The Church:**The unity of all Christians everywhere. Archbishop Stephen, Bishop Ruth, Archdeacon Pete and Area Dean Rev. Alex Peach. Churches in the South Sefton Deanery, and local ecumenical partners.  **The Diocese:** St John the Baptist, Burscough, Lordsgate School, St John’s School, St Michael Aughton and Holy Trinity Bickerstaffe, St Michael’s School, Bickerstaffe School, St Cuthbert, Halsall and St Thomas, Lydiate, Halsall School, St Thomas School, Haskayne School, All Saints, Rainford, Rainford School, St Paul, Skelmersdale, Trinity School, Skelmersdale Ecumenical Centre.  **For those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit**: Ailsa McAlees, Hewie, Eileen Maguire, Graham Forrest, Olga Gregor, Jess Farrell, Carl Lee, Richard Shacklady, Edith Keeton.  **For the departed remembered at this time:** Irene Jones, Hilda Ellis, John Child, Leslie Gouldbourne, George Hill, Mabel Jellis, Thomas Pennell, Agnes Norwell, Violet Bellamy.  **Notices**   * **Children's Ministry:** St. Mary's are keen to reinstate our children's work but in order to do so we need more volunteers to join our team. Our next event is Holiday Club at  St. Mary's 2nd August to 4th August with Nature as the theme. You would need to have a DBS certificate or be willing to get one and be enthusiastic with a good sense of humour. If you want to know more, please contact Louis or Jill at St. Mary's. * We are looking to grow and develop our worship and serving teams - if you are interested in leading intercessions (saying prayers), reading a passage from scripture during a service, administering a chalice at communion, helping as an altar server, or acting as a sidesperson/welcomer, or if you're just interested in finding out about any or all of this, then please contact: Rev. Dr Louis Johnson 07947 752 399/[louis.johnson@stfaithsgc.org.uk](mailto:louis.johnson@stfaithsgc.org.uk), or speak to a church warden or member of the clergy team after the service - everyone is welcome to have a go at anything and to explore whether you feel God is calling you do develop your Christian discipleship and worshipping life in this way!   **Events**   * **Afternoon Tea** at St Faith’s Parish Hall, Milton Rd, Waterloo on **Sunday 20th July** at **12.30pm**, following the morning service. Tickets are £10 and can be obtained from Barbara or Corrinne at St Faith’s or by contacting 07967495364. Come and have a cuppa and enjoy delicious home-made sandwiches and cakes, plus some company at lunch time. * **St Mary’s Annual Strawberry Tea** in the hall on **Saturday 26th** **July** at **3pm.** This is our community event where we invite the local community and those who use the hall. You are invited to attend. There is no charge, but donations are welcome. * **St Mary’s Holiday Club** for 5 to 11 year olds with ‘Nature’ as the Theme. **Monday 4th** to **Wednesday 6th August,** **10am to 4pm.** For further details please contact Fr. Louis at [Louis.johnson@stfaithsgc.org.uk](mailto:Louis.johnson@stfaithsgc.org.uk) or Jill on 07813 727 757.  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Services at St Mary’s** |  | | This Sunday 10:00am, Eucharist  **Fourth Sunday after Trinity** | Peter Walker | | Wednesday, 10:30am  **Eucharist** | Peter Walker | | Next Sunday 10:00am, Eucharist  **Fifth Sunday after Trinity** | Peter Cowley |   **St Mary’s, Waterloo Park**  [**www.stmaryswaterloopark.co.uk**](http://www.stmaryswaterloopark.co.uk/)  **Vicar: Rev. Dr Louis Johnson 07947 752 399 /** [**louis.johnson@stfaithsgc.org.uk**](mailto:louis.johnson@stfaithsgc.org.uk)  **Hon Curate: The Rev. Janet Bissex 0151 538 4767 /** [**revjanetb@yahoo.co.uk**](mailto:revjanetb@yahoo.co.uk)  **Hon Curate: The Rev. Peter Cowley CA Tel. 0151 4265441**  **Hon Curate: The Rev. Peter Walker Tel: 07867690099**  [**rev.peter.walker@hotmail.com**](mailto:rev.peter.walker@hotmail.com)  **Church Wardens: Howard and Elsie Pate Tel: 0151 920 8437**  **Reader Emeritus: Ray Bissex Tel: 07530241516**  **Administrator: Mrs Carolanne Leary Tel: 07913873697** |
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