



Notices for 13 July 2025

A warm welcome to everyone

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

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

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:

- 622** Will you come and follow me
- 487** Jesus good above all other
- 606** Thy hand O God has guided (omit * verses)
- 589** The King of Love my shepherd is
- 494** King of glory, King of peace

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:

Colossians 1:1-14

Salutation

1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

2To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters^[a] in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

Paul Thanks God for the Colossians

3In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, **4**for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, **5**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 **6**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. **7**This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant.^[b] He is a faithful minister of Christ on your^[c] behalf, **8**and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

9For 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^[d] will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, **10**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. **11**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 **12**giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled^[e] you^[f] to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. **13**He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, **14**in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Luke 10:25-37

The Parable of the Good Samaritan

²⁵ Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus.^[a] ‘Teacher,’ he said, ‘what must I do to inherit eternal life?’ ²⁶ He said to him, ‘What is written in the law? What do you read there?’ ²⁷ 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.’ ²⁸ And he said to him, ‘You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.’

²⁹ But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, ‘And who is my neighbour?’ ³⁰ 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. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴ 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. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii,^[b] gave them to the innkeeper, and said, “Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.” ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?’ ³⁷ He said, ‘The one who showed him mercy.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Go and do likewise.’

Post-communion prayer:

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.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 17th July - 2.30pm THURSDAY CLUB: We meet again on Thursday in the Church Hall for a social afternoon of board games and refreshments. Everybody is very welcome. Any queries please contact Judith via the Parish Office.

Saturday 19th July The Women's Group will be meeting at 3pm (please note the change from our normal time) when we will be having afternoon tea in Carla's garden. Please meet at 2.45pm in the church car park to share lifts. Also, please let us know if you will be coming and if you have any dietary requirements. We hope the sun will shine for us but if it is wet we will meet in the church hall. Any queries please contact Christine.

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***

HOMEMADE SUNDAY - Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Homemade Sunday on June 29th. **We made a total of £542.15.**

THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH for everything you did to make last Sunday's 25th anniversary of my ordination as a priest such a special occasion. Thank you for all the generous gifts and cards, but especially for all your support and the warmth and love which embraced Charlie and me. We shall cherish it always. *Maggie*

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

Parish BBQ - Sunday 7th September.

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