

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

16th August



Collect Prayer

God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond price,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

First Reading (Isaiah 56:1, 6-8)

A reading from the Prophecy of Isaiah.

Thus says the LORD:

Maintain justice, and do what is right,
for soon my salvation will come,
and my deliverance be revealed.

And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,

to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,
and to be his servants,

all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it,
and hold fast my covenant--

these I will bring to my holy mountain,

and make them joyful in my house of prayer;

their burnt offerings and their sacrifices

will be accepted on my altar;

for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.

Thus says the Lord GOD,

who gathers the outcasts of Israel,

I will gather others to them

besides those already gathered.

Psalm (Psalm 67)

Response: O God be gracious and bless us.

God, be gracious and bless us

And let your face shed its light upon us.

So will your ways be known upon earth,

And all nations learn your saving help. R

Let the nations be glad and exult

For you rule the world with justice.

With fairness you rule the peoples,

You guide the nations on earth. R

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

Let all the peoples praise you.

May God still give us his blessing

Till the ends of the earth revere him. R

Second Reading (Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32)

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans.

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I glorify my ministry in order to make my own people jealous, and thus save some of them. For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead! If the part of the dough offered as first fruits is holy, then the whole batch is holy; and if the root is holy, then the branches also are holy.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

Gospel (Matthew 15:21-28)

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew. Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all mercy,
we your faithful people
have celebrated that
one true sacrifice
which takes away
our sins and brings
pardon and peace:
by our communion
keep us firm on the
foundation of the gospel
and preserve us from all sin;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

For your prayers

In our Prayers:

Tommy Lacken, Martin Fletcher, Carol Martin, Hope Oram, Sherry Lacken, Doug Williams, Neville Thomas, Lynn Williamson, Juan Carlos Mandich, Nancy Mandich, Eliane Ferreira Batista, Jaqueline Ives, Tommy Naylor, Lenny Shaw, Stephen Green, Riva Hodges, Sarah Chambers, Dwight d'Aguilar Gooden, Bea Ray, Eudora Maame de Graft-Yankah, Martha de Graft-Johnson, Josea Cabey, Ian Isaacs, Ashton Lacken, David Hyams

Among the departed:

Anniversaries of Death:

Gertrude Eliza Webb, Frederick Wood, Frederick Frazer, Clara Redrup, Rosina Clark, Rosina Alderson, Agnes Furnell, Charles Hegman Turner (Pr), Frances Hardman, Albert Rutland, Emma Sarah Warick

In our parish:

We pray for Bastwick Street and Gee Street

In the wider world:

We pray for the Middle East and a peaceful resolution of the conflict in Gaza and between Israel and Iran. We pray for all those suffering in those conflicts.

Notices

This week in church...

No Open Church or midweek mass this week

Next Sunday 12th Sunday after Trinity

Sung Mass 10.30am

St Clement's Shopping Basket

The basket provides the chance week by week to donate to a collection of dried and tinned food and toiletries which can be passed directly to the Dunloe Centre at St Saviour's Priory which works with the homeless and the very poor in our part of London. Please give what you can.



Helping Hands

Can you come and help ?
SUNDAY MORNINGS

Setting up tables with service books and refreshments



... and Meet and Greet



Welcome

Serving Refreshments



Washing up and put away hymn books etc...

If you can help, please speak to the clergy or churchwardens