

# This week's readings

## A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?"' (that is, to bring Christ down) 'or "Who will descend into the abyss?"' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'

*Romans 10.5-15*

## Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Immediately after feeding the crowd with the five loaves and two fish, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake.

But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

*Matthew 14.22-33*



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**SUNDAY 9 AUGUST 2026**

**TENTH SUNDAY OF TRINITY**

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### Collect

Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

### Post Communion

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

### Green World Prayer

Father of Creation, God of compassion, we have moved east of Eden, we are homesick exiles, creation groans, the soil is dying. We have betrayed our friend, and may well reap what we have sown. We have opened the door of ecological violence, and it has overwhelmed us. Through the greed of exploitation. The fertile earth is being degraded, polluted and acidified.

**Amen**

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**8am**  
**HOLY COMMUNION**  
**Readings**

Romans 10. 5-15;  
Matthew 14. 22-33

**10am**  
**PARISH EUCHARIST**  
**Readings**

Romans 10. 5-15;  
Matthew 14. 22-33

**Hymns**  
134, 129, 132, 536

**6.30pm**  
**EVENSONG**  
**Readings**

1 Kings 11.4-12.20;  
Acts 13. 1-13

**Hymns** 344, 46, 88,  
Psalm 86

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## For our prayers this week

**Those who are ill or in need...**

Val Hancock, Liana, Sara Taylor

**Those who have died...**

**Anniversary of death...** Geoffrey Tanner

**Our Link Parish** St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green, Zimbabwe



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## » THIS WEEK «

**Sunday 9 August**  
**TRINITY 10**

**8am** Holy Communion

**10am** Parish Eucharist

**6.30pm** Evensong

**Wednesday 12 August**

**9.15am** No Toddler Group

(Summer Holiday break)

**12 noon** Prayer Group



## WESTMINSTER ABBEY PASS

*We now have a free pass  
for Westminster Abbey  
that admits four  
adults/children*

*(aged 6-16) on one visit.*

*We can use it six times  
during a 12-month period.*

**Please enquire via the  
Churchwardens,  
Tish or Sarah.**

## THANK YOU

We have had a lovely card from  
Sara, thanking us for the flowers  
and good wishes. It's at the cross  
aisle if you'd like to see it.

## NOTICES

### FRIDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Meets at Mair Rabagliati's and simultaneously  
on Zoom – everyone is welcome to join  
for lively discussion and coffee. For further  
information and date of the next meeting  
contact Lynda Coleman via the Parish office.

### CREATIONTIDE DISPLAYS

Please put your pictures, paintings, photographs  
and objects for this year's Creationtide Display  
in the box on the table at the back of church between  
12 July and 16 August. If it's difficult for you to print  
photos, you can email them to Mary Ann Bown via  
ccwwecochurch@gmail.com or via the parish office  
by 17 August. This year, we especially welcome images  
of waterways and ponds, including from Wimbledon  
Common (with locations, if possible), to reflect our  
themes for Creationtide.

**Would you also enjoy decorating one of the  
church alcoves for Creationtide (1 September  
to 4 October)?** Again, please let us know via Mary

Ann (ccwwecochurch@gmail.com)  
or the parish office.

### HELP SECURE THE FUTURE OF FAITH IN ACTION

The project urgently needs to find new premises.  
You are invited to a meeting 7pm, 17 September  
to help identify premises, funding opportunities  
and practical support. More details at  
mertonfaithinaction.org or the poster in the church.

## » NEXT WEEK «

**Sunday 16 August**  
**TRINITY 11**

**8am** Holy Communion

**10am** Parish Eucharist with Baptism

**6.30pm** Evensong

**Wednesday 20 August**

**9.15am** No Toddler Group

(Summer Holiday break)

**12 noon** Prayer Group