

NOTICES & DIARY DATES

Frome Festival Fri 3 - Sun 12 July: Please do come along to support the events taking place at St John's and let friends and family know, too! The church will be open 11am - 4pm daily.

Frome Festival event - Duke Ellington's Sacred Chorus: At Holy Trinity Church, Saturday 11th July, 2pm and 5 pm. Ticket discount code (save £5) available from Alison Henderson. Starring jazz singer Jacqui Dankworth, an all-star big band and Frome Festival's Silver Anniversary Chorus, with local singers from across our community.

Change to Event: Fashionable Faith - Sunday 12 July: Displays in church 11.30am-2.30pm, but the 'catwalk' show will now not take place.

Thank You: Last Sunday's collection for aid to the Church in need collected just under £400 for persecuted Christians around the globe. Steve was astounded with the generosity and has asked that his deep thanks be passed on. A formal letter of recognition will follow.

St Joan of Arc: On Tuesday 7th July at 12pm there will be a meditation on the life and witness of St Joan of Arc in Holy Trinity Church; all interested in learning about St Joan are welcome to attend. The guest speaker will be Rev. Seamus Hargrave.

Chaplains: Over the summer it is our hope to have a chaplains available at different times during the week, to allow a wider range of people to experience our Christian ministry. This week a chaplain will be available in the Church between 12 -1:30pm on Tuesday 7th and Thursday 9th. Do spread the word if there are people you know in need of prayer and fellowship.

Fair Frome Foodbank: There are collection points in most supermarkets. All help gratefully received – thank you!

THE PARISH OF FROME, ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, BA11 1PL

SUNDAY 5 JULY 2026

Fifth Sunday after Trinity

SUNDAY SERVICES

Saturday
5pm Vigil Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

Sunday
8.45am Online Service
contact admin for code
10.00am Choral Eucharist
5pm Evening Prayer

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Monday
8.45am Morning Prayer
in the Ken Chapel

Friday
12.30pm Lunchtime Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

Confessions, Sacrament of the Sick and Pastoral Conversations are by appointment. Please contact Rev. Seamus to arrange.

Fri 3 - Sun 12 July Frome Festival

Sun 5 11.15am-2pm Café & Book Stalls
6.45pm Event: One Voice Choir
Mon 6 6pm Event: Kanekt
Tues 7 4pm Event: Talk 'Penguin Books'
Wed 8 7pm Event: Haydn Jeugd String Orkest
Thurs 9 6pm Festival Choral Evensong
Fri 10 10am Funeral of Richard Dredge
8.30pm Event: St John's by candlelight
9.30pm Compline
Sat 11 9am Morning Prayer: St Benedict
1pm Wedding
Sun 12 11.30am - 2.30pm: Fashionable Faith displays

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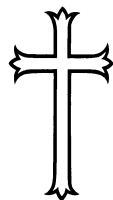
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Fifth Sunday after Trinity (Year A)



FIRST READING: Zechariah 9.9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the warhorse from Jerusalem; and the battle-bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

For the word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God**

SECOND READING: Romans 7.15-25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with my mind I am a slave to the law of God, but with my flesh I am a slave to the law of sin.

For the word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 11.16-19, 25-end

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord

‘But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another, “We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.” For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, “He has a demon”;

the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, “Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!” Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.’

At that time Jesus said, ‘I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

‘Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.’

This is the Gospel of the LORD. **Praise to you, O Christ**