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'Love one another as I have loved you', says the Lord.



Churchwardens: Mr Andrew Taylor & Mr Ian Bhullar
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**THE 10th SUNDAY
AFTER TRINITY
9th AUGUST 2026**

**THE PARISH MASS
SUNG
10.30am**

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector

Mass of St Thomas by David Thorne.
Hymns in NEH (green book)
Please join in with the Bold Type

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Stand

O look to your covenant, O Lord,
and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever.
Arise, O God, and defend our cause,
and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

Cf. Psalm 74: 20, 19, 22, 23

Let us go forth in peace, **in the name of Christ. Amen.**

The Processional Hymn: 338

At the name of Jesus (Tune: Evelyns)

Entrance Antiphon

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

The Introduction to the Mass

The celebrant welcomes the people and introduces the Mass.

Prayers of Penitence

Sisters and brothers, to prepare ourselves to celebrate
the sacred mysteries, let us call to mind and confess our sins.

The Confiteor

**I confess to almighty God,
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done,
and in what I have failed to do;**

(And, striking their breast, they say:)

**through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;**

(Then they continue:)

**therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin,
all the angels and saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord, our God. Amen.**

The celebrant pronounces the Absolution

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, ✠ pardon
and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and
keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Kyrie Eleison

**Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

The Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
✠ in the glory of God the Father.**

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

The Collect

Let your merciful ears, O Lord,
be open to the prayers of your humble servants;
and that they may obtain their petitions
make them to ask such things as shall please you;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sit for the readings

First Reading from the Old Testament

A reading from the First Book of Kings (19: 9-18)

⁹ At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' ¹⁰ He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.' ¹¹ He said, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.' Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; ¹² and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. ¹³ When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' ¹⁴ He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.' ¹⁵ Then the Lord said to him, 'Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶ Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. ¹⁷ Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. ¹⁸ Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.'

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: 85: 8-13

**R. / Show us your mercy, O Lord
and grant us your salvation.** ^{85:7}

⁸ I will listen to what the Lord God is saying,
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.

⁹ Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land. **R. /**

¹⁰ Mercy and truth have met together;
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

¹¹ Truth shall spring up from the earth,
and righteousness shall look down from heaven. **R. /**

¹² The Lord will indeed grant prosperity,
and our land will yield its increase.

¹³ Righteousness shall go before him,
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet. **R. /**

Second Reading from the New Testament

A reading from the letter of S. Paul to the Romans (10: 5-15)

⁵ Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' ⁶ 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) ⁷ or "Who will descend into the abyss?"' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸ 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); ⁹ 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. ¹⁰ For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹ The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' ¹² But 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. ¹³ For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' ¹⁴ 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? ¹⁵ 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!'

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Stand & turn to face the Gospel

Gospel Acclamation and Reading

♪ **Alleluia!** I wait for the Lord;
my soul waits for his word. *Psalms 130: 5* **Alleluia!** ♪

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

✠ A reading from the ✠ Holy Gospel according to ✠ **Matthew (14: 22-33)**
Glory to you, O Lord.

²² Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³ And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴ but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. ²⁵ And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. ²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. ²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' ²⁸ Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' ²⁹ He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. ³⁰ But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' ³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' ³² When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³ And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Homily

Stand

Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (Genuflect) was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made human. (Rise)

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, ✠ and the life of the age to come. Amen.

Remain standing

Prayers of Intercession

Celebrant

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Lord, saying, **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor 1

For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 2

For Sarah our archbishop, Rosemarie, acting-bishop of Southwark, Alastair, bishop of Woolwich, Fr Paul our parish priest, and for all clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 3

For all peoples and their leaders, and for peace and justice in the world. We pray especially for *(Celebrant adds...)* let us pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 4

For the diverse communities that make up the Deptford community, for every city, town and village, and for all the people who live within them, let us pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 5

For good weather, abundant harvests for all to share, and for the care and conservation of the planet and all its creatures, let us pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 6

For all people in distress and all places of distress; the sick and the suffering, workers, travellers and refugees, prisoners and captives, victims of crime, and for their safety, health and salvation. We remember especially... *(Celebrant reads the names...)* let us pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 7

For our deliverance from all affliction, strife and need, and for the absolution of our sins and offences, let us pray to the Lord.

Celebrant

We remember those who have gone before us in the peace of Christ, especially...

and those whose anniversaries fall at this time especially...

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord,

and let light perpetual shine upon them.

✠ May they rest in peace **and rise in glory. Amen.**

The celebrant invites us to offer our personal intentions, and then leads us in asking for the Prayers of our Lady & the Saints.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the BVM we pray: **Hail Mary.**

S. Joseph of Nazareth, **Pray for us.** *S.* Peter, Prince of the Apostles

S. Paul the Apostle, our Patron, *S.* Augustine and *S.* Monica

S. Benedict and *S.* Scholastica, *S.* Francis and *S.* Clare of Assisi

S. Laurence, *S.* Maximus the Confessor, *S.* Maximilian Kolbe

All you angels and saints.

Merciful God **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Remain standing

¶ THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Altar is prepared

The Offertory Hymn: 353

Dear Lord and Father of mankind (Tune: Repton)

Remain standing

Orate Fratres

Pray my sisters and brothers, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

Prayer over the Offerings

Be pleased, O Lord, to accept the offerings of your Church, for in your mercy you have given them to be offered and by your power you transform them into the mystery of our salvation. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Here follows the Preface in which the celebrant praises God for his mighty acts, and all respond:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

✠ **Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

Hosanna in the highest.

The celebrant recalls the Last Supper, and this acclamation is used:

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

The Prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond boldly:

AMEN.

THE COMMUNION RITE

Remain standing

The Lord's Prayer

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come;
thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.**

The celebrant adds:

Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day.
In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all distress
as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Peace

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles:

Peace I leave you, my peace I give you.

Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church,
and grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom
where you live for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*We share the peace with those immediately around us,
a sign that expresses peace, communion, and love.*

Agnus Dei

*during which the celebrant takes the host and breaks it over the paten,
placing a small piece in the chalice.*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

Giving of Communion

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

Communion Antiphon

The bread that I will give, says the Lord,
is my flesh for the life of the world.

S. John 6: 51

Please follow the directions of the sidespeople.

The Body / Blood of Christ.

The communicant replies

Amen.

and then receives.

* At home, make an Act of Spiritual Communion *

*As you imagine yourself receiving the Bread of Heaven, be still and rest in the love
of God. Thank Him for entering beneath the roof of your soul.*

O Sacred Feast! Wherein Christ is received,
his Passion is remembered, our souls are filled with grace
and the pledge of eternal glory is received.

O Sacrum Convivium, 13th century (attributed to S. Thomas Aquinas)

After receiving Holy Communion read & pray quietly in thanksgiving.

THE JESUS PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

THE TRISAGION (Thrice Holy)

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, Have mercy on us. (x3)

The Communion Hymn: 374

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds (Tune: St Peter)



11th August: Saint Clare of Assisi (b. 1193 – d. 1253)

Born in 1193 in Assisi of a wealthy family, S. Clare caught the joy of a new vision of the gospel from Francis' preaching. At seventeen, she heard Francis of Assisi, the monk who repaired churches and ministered to the sick, speak and say: "When there is poverty with joy, there is inner peace." A year later, she decided to follow in his footsteps by giving up her life of wealth. Escaping from home, first to the Benedictines and then to a Béguine-style group, with the encouragement of S. Francis she chose a contemplative way of life, and founded her own community at San Damiano, just outside the city walls of Assisi.

Here they lived in corporate poverty understood as dependence on God, with a fresh, democratic lifestyle. In 1240, Saracen soldiers stormed the convent cloister of San Damiano in Assisi. Blessed Tommaso da Celano, a Franciscan Friar who lived during the time of S. Clare, writes that the nuns were terrified and cried to S. Clare for help, who with a fearless heart though she was weak and sick, prostrated herself before the Lord and said, "Behold, my Lord, is it possible You want to deliver into the hands of pagans Your defenceless handmaids, whom I have taught out of love for You? I pray You, Lord protect these Your handmaids whom I cannot now save by myself." She suddenly heard a voice from the tabernacle, "I will always protect you." She then proceeded to bring a silver case carrying the Blessed Sacrament out before the Saracens and, in complete trust, called upon the Lord for that protection. The Saracens were struck with fear from seeing the courage of S. Clare and her sisters standing before them without fear. They retreated and left Assisi. S. Clare became the first woman to write a religious Rule for women, and in it showed great liberty of spirit in dealing with earlier prescriptions. It was finally approved by Pope Innocent IV on August 9 1253, only 2 days before her death. During the long years after Francis' death, she supported his earlier companions in their desire to remain faithful to his vision, as she did. Some of her last words were: "Blessèd be God, for having created me."

Prayer to Saint Clare

O glorious Saint Clare! God has given you the power of working miracles continually, and the favour of answering the prayers of those who invoke your assistance in misfortune, anxiety, and distress; we beseech you, obtain for us from Jesus, through Mary, his Blessed Mother, what we beg of you so fervently and hopefully, if it be for the greater honour and glory of God and for the good of our souls.

O Blessed Saint Clare, your life shines like a beacon and casts its light down the ages of the Church to guide the way of Christ.

Look with compassion on the poor and humble who call on you for help. As you bow before your Eucharistic Lord in Heaven, speak to him of my afflicted body and my broken spirit. Ask him to heal me and to wash away my sins in his precious Blood.

Great Servant of Christ, remember the needs of my dear ones and all those I pray for. Defend us from everything that would harm your Holy People. Hear the cry of the poor and make it a song of intercession, rising from your poor heart to the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, our Healer, our Saviour, and our Lord. Amen.

Saint Maximus the Confessor

(c. 580 – 13 August 662)

was the most eminent theologian of the 7th century: He was born in Constantinople in 580 and received a well-rounded education. He served as the head secretary of the emperor Heraclius, but quickly abandoned his position and, at about 34 years of age became a monk. Well educated in philosophy, Maximus adopted the Platonic model of teaching that humanity was made in the image of God, and the purpose of salvation is to restore us to unity with God. After practising harsh asceticism in the monastic life, he dedicated himself, from 633 to the end of his life, to the struggle against Monothelism, a heresy which taught that Christ has only one will, the divine one, in opposition with the Orthodox teaching, according to which Christ, as fully God and fully human, has two wills, the divine and human will. This cost him imprisonments, tortures, public mockeries, exiles. To stop him from speaking and writing, they cut off his tongue and right hand. Finally, he died from hardships and old age in exile on August 13, 662 in Tsageri, Georgia. However, his theology was upheld by the Third Council of Constantinople and he was venerated as a saint soon after his death. His title of Confessor means that he suffered for the Christian faith but was not directly martyred.

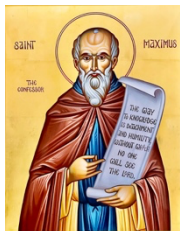
From his important theological works, here is an extract from his 400 "Chapters concerning love", which he wrote upon the request of the presbyter Lepidus.

"A person who loves Christ, imitates Him as much as he can. Christ, for example: 1^o did not cease benefiting people; 2^o showed long suffering, when they acted ungratefully to Him and blasphemed Him; 3^o He forbore, when they beat Him and were killing Him, without at all thinking about anyone the evil which they did to Him. These three works are expressive of love for one's neighbour. Without these, a person is deceived who says that they love Christ or that they will gain His kingdom. Because the Lord assures us:

"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven." (S. Matthew 7: 21)

And again: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." (S. John 14: 15)

"I tell you", said the Lord, "Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you." (S. Matthew 5: 44).



¶ THE CONCLUDING RITE

Stand

Postcommunion Prayer

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.**



¶ NOTICES & ANY BANNs OF MARRIAGE

Stand

The Blessing

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us bow our heads and pray for God's blessing.

The Lord bless you and keep you: **Amen.**

The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you: **Amen.**

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace: **Amen.**

And may the blessing of God almighty,
✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal



The Recessional Hymn: 333

All my hope on God is founded (Tune: Michael)

The Angelus

The Angel of the Lord brought glad tidings to Mary;

And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

**Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee,
blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus.**

**Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now,
and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

Be it unto me according to thy Word. Hail Mary...

And the Word was made flesh.

And dwelt among us. Hail Mary...

Pray for us O holy Mother of God.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts, that as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his Cross ✠ and Passion we may be brought unto the glory of his Resurrection; through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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& MAKE YOUR WAY TO THE CRYPT FOR REFRESHMENTS. ∞

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THE KALENDAR

10th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

19th WEEK of ORDINARY TIME

9th to 15th AUGUST 2026

MASS & Other Service Times in church

SUN, 9th, MP 9am, **PARISH MASS 10.30am**, EP 5pm

MON, 10th, S. Laurence No Public Liturgies

TUES, 11th, S. Clare of Assisi MP 9.15am, EP 5.30pm, **Mass 6.00pm**

WEDS, 12th, Feria MP 9.15am, EP 5.30pm, **Mass 6.00pm**

THURS, 13th, S. Maximus the Confessor MP 9.15am, EP 5.30pm, **Mass 6.00pm**

FRI, 14th, S. Maximilian Kolbe MP 9.15am, EP 6.00pm

SAT, 15th, The Assumption of the BVM MP 9.15am, **Mass 10.00am**, EP 6pm

DAILY OFFICE: MP = Morning Prayer, EP = Evening Prayer

16th AUGUST 2026

11th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

MORNING PRAYER at 9.00am

PARISH MASS SUNG at 10.30am

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector

EVENING PRAYER at 5pm

THE NOTICES

Please let Fr Paul know if you are interested in
HOLY BAPTISM &/or HOLY CONFIRMATION

Ω S. PAUL'S OMEGA STUDY GROUP Ω

Next session to be arranged. All welcome.

Thursdays, 8.30-10pm on Zoom.

Info & login details on Parish website & the Rector's Weekly Email.

Ideas for the next book and/or film appreciated!

CHURCH CLEANING every Saturday after Mass until 12.30pm.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

'The Lord loves a cheerful giver.'

The Church, based upon biblical teaching, asks every Christian to give a Tithe, 10% of their time, talents & money to God's work, and recommends that members contribute 5% of their income to their church. **E.g. If you earn:**

£5000 a year or, £96 a week = Give £5 a week to S. Paul's.

£10000 a year, £192 a week = £10 a week. £20000 a year, £385 a week = £20 a week.

£25000 a year, £480 a week = £25 a week. £30000 a year, £577 a week = £30 a week.

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