

Services & Diary Dates

Monday	10 th	
Tuesday	11 th	1930 Eucharist
Wednesday	12 th	1030 Eucharist 2000 Online Prayer (Zoom)
Thursday	13 th	
Friday	14 th	
Saturday	15 th	The Blessed Virgin Mary
Sunday	16 th	0800 Said Eucharist 0915 Said Parish Communion

This weekly Pew Sheet and the Order of Service is available online. Click on the button and download a copy, **together with on-going video availability of the Sunday service on the website (from 12noon).**

The Flower Team plan to have flowers in church for 27th Sep (Harvest Festival) and onwards. The weekly donations as tribute to memories of departed ones in church flowers can start thereafter for anyone wishing to do so.

News

Keep and Re-use your own copy of the Order of Service (valid for use until 25th Oct) - do not share unless within the same family group or bubble. Bring it home, keep and bring your service sheet to the next service. Thank you.

Each Wednesday at 8pm (45 mins) we invite all at St Francis to join our weekly online prayer on Zoom for a time of sharing, listening and praying. Everyone is welcome whether they want to pray openly or simply listen in. To join in, e-mail Rachel: curate@stfranciswgc.org.uk to receive the Zoom link and safeguarding information.

NEXT WEEK! All Age Family Bingo Night (via Zoom) from your homes or even if you are away on holiday!

Sat 22nd Aug Bingo Night @8pm

Fun games with prizes to be won! (To raise funds for our church since we are unable to host our annual fete and other events..) Each player: £3 via JustGiving online: www.justgiving.com/stfrancis-wgc or tap the contactless card reader located in our church porch.

Please e-mail Nikki to obtain Zoom login, password & download to print own Bingo tickets, etc: children@stfranciswgc.org.uk

Welcome

Sunday 9th August 2020

9th Sunday after Trinity

Services Today

8am Said Eucharist

9:15am Parish Communion

Coffee in the Hall – SUSPENDED for now.

Youth & Children's Church An all age YACC session will take place in a hygienic, safe and socially distanced environment. At least 1 adult to accompany the younger children (under 5's) but any child who is already attending school may be left on their own. If you can, please bring your own picnic rug. Name-Labelled seating, craft materials and stationery will be supplied each time.

Music

No Hymns

Congregational setting:

Choir: No choir in attendance

Organ: Voluntary in D - John Alcock (1715-1806)

Trumpet Voluntary - John Travers (1703-1758)

This week we pray for all who live and work in Bridge Road, The Campus, Woodside House, Rosanne House and Peel Court.

If you suspect you may have COVID-19, please stay at home. If you develop symptoms within 14 days of attending a service here, firstly call NHS 111 and then let the Vicar know by e-mail: vicar@stfranciswgc.org.uk or call: 01707 320960.

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Collect

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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.

1 Kings 19: 9-18

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, 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?'

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.'

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; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence.

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?'

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.' 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.

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.

Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill.

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.'

Romans 10: 5-15

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!'

Matthew 14: 22-33

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.'

Next Readings: Sunday 16th August 2020

Isaiah 56: 1, 6-8; Romans 11: 1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15: 21-28