

Services & Diary Dates

Monday	31 st	Bank Holiday
Tuesday	1 st	May half-term school break 1930 Said Eucharist 2100 Online Compline
Wednesday	2 nd	1030 Said Eucharist 1100 Coffee for All 2000 Zoom Prayer Meeting
Thursday	3 rd	1200 Funeral service - Michael Beckett 2100 Online Compline
Friday	4 th	1115 Funeral Service - Gladys Vince No Choir Practice during half term week
Saturday	5 th	
Sunday	6th	0800 Said Eucharist 0915 Parish Communion

£ Raised from online shopping:

We have just received an e-mail from **easyfundraising** informing that they have given £61.56 to St Francis Church - easy, free, and effortless donations since you are already shopping online anyway. Thank you.

From **Smile.amazon.co.uk**, a more modest £27.02 has been given (@ Feb 2021).

Please continue to use these websites when shopping online and if you are new to this and like more info, just ask the Parish Office.

News

Please remember to bring your Order of Service for Ordinary Time booklet which will be in use from this Sunday until All Saintside.

Next week is the May half term school holidays. There will be no choir singing or YACC group sessions on Sunday 6th June.

Sun 27th June: Celebration of Rachel's Ordination to the priesthood
The usual 9:15am Parish Communion service on that Sunday will be moved to 4pm.

This will hopefully be followed with celebratory drinks in the Hall and outside (more details to follow). Please come to support Rachel and her family on this important day.

Please look at the church notice board at the photo and message of appreciation from Liz Green, thanking everyone for their love and best wishes.

WGC Centenary 2020 – 21

Please take a booklet each – you'll find notices of various Centenary events yet to come.

Welcome

Sunday 30th May 2021

Trinity Sunday

Services Today

REMINDER: Social distancing rules apply, use hand sanitiser gel upon entry & exit and keep your masks on!

8am Said Eucharist

9:15am Parish Communion Coffee in the Hall - Suspended for now.

Youth & Children's Church **YACC sessions take place in their usual age groups within the Govt's COVID-19 guidelines.**

Age 2½ to Reception and Years 1&2, 3 to 5 - Hall
(Younger children including babies who are accompanied are very welcome)

Years 6 upwards in the Parish Room

Music **No hymns to be sung by the congregation for now.**

Choir: Holy Holy Holy / Firmly I believe and truly

Darke Collegium Regale

Tchaikovsky - Hymn to the Trinity

Organ: Komm, Heiliger Geist, Herre Gott Dietrich Buxtehude

Fugue in E flat

J S Bach

This week we pray for all who live and work in Lemsford Lane, The Great North Road, de Soissons Close, Sefton Court and Amethyst Walk.

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Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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.

Isaiah 6: 1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple.

Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.'

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!'

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.'

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

Romans 8: 12-17

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh - for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ - if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

John 3: 1 -17

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.'

Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit.

Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.'

Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things?

No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

Next Readings: Sunday 6 June 2021

Genesis 3: 8-15; 2 Corinthians 4: 13 - 5: 1; Mark 3: 20-35