

Welcome to our services today

Sunday 20 October 2024
21st Sunday after Trinity



SAID EUCHARIST, 8am

PARISH COMMUNION, 9.15am with BAPTISM of Cedric Velarde-Basch

Followed by refreshments and chat in the Hall.

For part of this service during term time, young people are invited to join age-appropriate activities led by our youth team. Groups for ages 2½ to 11 in the Hall. Ages 12+ in Parish Room.

Hymns: 521, 496, 170, 395
Congregational Setting: Lloyd
Choir Music: Howells Collegium Regale, Mozart - Ave Verum

Readings: Isaiah 53: 4-12; Hebrews 5: 1-10; Mark 10: 35-45

CHORAL EVENSONG, 6pm

Introit: Pitoni - Cantate Domino
Psalm: 141
Anthem: Campbell - Sing we merrily

Responses: Clucas
Canticles: Sumsion in G
Hymns: 18, 15

This week we pray for all who live and work in Broadfield Place and Melbourne Court.

Next Sunday's readings: Jeremiah 31: 7-9; Hebrews 7: 23-28; Mark 10: 46-52

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Services & Diary Dates: this week

Tue 21 Oct Said Eucharist, 7.30pm
Parochial Church Council meeting, 8pm
Wed 22 Oct ToddleTime playgroup, 10am
Said Eucharist, 10.30am
Coffee for All, 10.30am
Prayer Group (online via Zoom), 8pm
Thur 23 Oct Thursday Lunches, 12 noon
Fri 24 Oct Choir practice, 7pm
Sun 25 Oct Said Eucharist, 8am
Parish Communion, 9.15am

Services & Diary Dates: further ahead

Sun 3 Nov 'Frankie's at 5' informal worship, 5pm
Sun 1 Dec Advent Carol Service, 6pm
Sat 7 & Sun 8 Dec Christmas Tree Festival, 12-5pm
Sun 15 Dec Family Nativity Service, 9.15am
Sat 21 Dec Family Carols Service, 4pm
Sun 22 Dec Nine Lessons & Carols Service, 6pm

Our church thrives through volunteers - can you help?

See foyer noticeboard for details and sign up sheets.

- Participants of all ages needed for our Talent Show, 9 Nov.
- Christmas Tree Festival volunteers & raffle/tombola donations.
- New for The Giving Tree at the Festival this year: (Non-food) wrapped gifts with tags needed for The Foodbank, WGC.

Thank you to all who volunteered this week, especially the Eco Team who led our work to achieve the Silver Eco Church Award.

News

Our old HSBC bank account closes in November with changes in our banking arrangements. Details on the notices in the foyer.

Receiving our monthly e-newsletter? We'd love to include you, if not. You can also keep up to date at www.stfranciswgc.org.uk
See our website for links to our social media too.

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Collect

Grant, we beseech you, merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; 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 53: 4-12

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Hebrews 5: 1-10

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject

to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people.

And one does not presume to take this honour, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.'

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Mark 10; 35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?'

And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.'

But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?'

They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.'

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John.

So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them.

But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all.

For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

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