

**Parish Church of
St Mary of Charity, Faversham
Fifth Sunday in Trinity
16 July 2017**

**Welcome to the beautiful
church of St Mary of Charity.
Please do stay for a drink and
fellowship.**

**If you are here for the first time,
please make yourself known to
one of the clergy.**

For our prayers:

- the benefice clergy team and lay ministry and all whose ministry is in the Faversham area
- those who give their services to the church;
- the Coptic Christians of Egypt;
- help us to focus on the things we have in common, not our differences;
- those elected to government that they act with honesty and transparency;
- the residents of Grenfell Tower, their family and friends and the emergency services;
- those receiving medical treatment and those who care for them;
- the bereaved;
- refugees throughout the world;
- those experiencing financial hardship;
- the people of Nigeria, Somalia, Yemen and South Sudan; and
- all who live in fear of violence and aggression.

9 am Matins

10.30 am Family Eucharist (CW)

1 pm Baptism: Diamond

2 pm Baptism: Alexander

Readings:

Romans 8:1-11

Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

COLLECT:

Almighty and everlasting God,
by whose Spirit the whole
body of the Church
is governed and sanctified:
hear our prayer which we offer for all
your faithful people,
that in their vocation and ministry
they may serve you in holiness and truth
to the glory of your name;
through our Lord and Saviour
Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Next Sunday:

Sixth Sunday in Trinity

Romans 8:12-25

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43



9 am Matins

Responses	Ferial
Psalm	119 vv 105-112
Canticles	Venite & Jubilate
Anthem	Greater Love; <i>Ireland</i>
Opening	Lord, thy word abideth
Offertory	Go forth and tell! O church of God awake!



Lord, thy word abideth,
and our footsteps guideth;
who its truth believeth
light and joy receiveth.

When our foes are near us,
then thy word doth cheer us,
word of consolation,
message of salvation.

When the storms are o'er us,
and dark clouds before us,
then its light directeth,
and our way protecteth.

Who can tell the pleasure,
who recount the treasure
by thy word imparted
to the simple-hearted?

Word of mercy, giving
succour to the living;
word of life, supplying
comfort to the dying.

O that we discerning
its most holy learning,
Lord, may love and fear thee,
evermore be near thee!

Go forth and tell! O Church of God, awake!

God's saving news to all the nations take:
proclaim Christ Jesus, Saviour, Lord and King,
that all the world his glorious praise may sing.

Go forth and tell! God's love embraces all,
he will in grace respond to all who call:
how shall they call if they have never heard
the gracious invitation of his word?

Go forth and tell! The doors are open wide:
share God's good gifts — let no one be denied;
live out your life as Christ your Lord shall choose,
your ransomed powers for his sole glory use.

Go forth and tell! O Church of God, arise!
Go in the strength which Christ your Lord supplies;
go till all nations his great name adore
and serve him, Lord and King for evermore.



**Next Saturday's organ recital will start at
7.30 pm and will be given by Matthew
Searles of Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral.**

**Please do join us for a special evening
(retiring collection in aid of the Organ Fund)**

Epistle

Romans 8:1-11

There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law – indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

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

Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!

Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.



Afternoon Tea Concert TODAY

Sunday, 16 July at Davington Church

3 pm concert

followed by cake & refreshments

£5.00 admission on the door

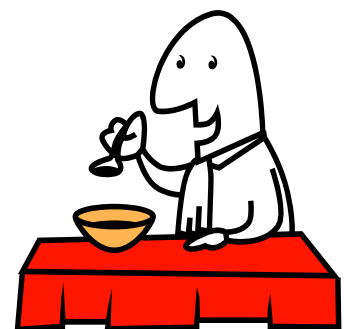
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June's Parish Lunch will be on

Wednesday, 19 July!

All are welcome to enjoy good, freshly-cooked food and fellowship - the sign-up sheet is at the back of the church!



Advance warning of a return visit of the wonderful jazz and classical musician **Mike Hatchard** who was a member of the John Dankworth Band, Cleo Laine's accompanist and Matt Monro's youngest ever Musical Director.

The details are:

Assembly Rooms, Preston Street

Sunday, 10 September 2017

7.30 pm

Tickets £12 from Victor Frith 01795 590588

victor.frith@btinternet.com

or Karina Bateman 01795 481859

karinabateman36@gmail.com.

All tickets to be sold in advance and none will be available on the door

A Friends of the Assembly Rooms scheme is being set up so that we can inform our supporters and well-wishers of our future activities and of others who organise events in the hall.

If you would like to become a Friend of the Assembly Rooms please email victor.frith@btinternet.com. **There is no charge to become a Friend.** We can then keep you informed and you can more easily contact us.

Churches Together in Faversham are looking for a photograph to use as the design for this year's Christmas card, to be distributed to all the houses in Faversham. If you have a picture which you think could be considered please email it to janet.negus@gmail.com, Secretary of CTiF.

Entries need to be in by September!

This month's joint benefice service will be at
St Peter and St Paul, Ospringe
on 30 July at 10 am.

If you would like a lift to the church or are able to
take someone, please could you sign the sheet at
the back of the church
(or speak to Catriona or Miranda).

Lifts to church: do you struggle - or know anyone
else who would struggle - to get to St Mary of
Charity? Would having a lift from another member of
the congregation help?

Do you regularly drive to the church and would you
consider giving another member of the congregation a lift?

Please put your name and contact details on the sign up sheet
at the back of the church, Thank you!



Quiet day: The Woman at the Well

Wednesday, 26 July 2017

10.00 am - 3.30 pm

St Mary Magdalene with St Lawrence
and The Brents, Davington

Led by Roz Graham

To book call 01795 538079 or email
rosaliegraham@btinternet.com



Cost £10. Bring own lunch. Refreshments provided.

Maximum number 20

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Maps available online or to purchase 1 week prior to the event from Barley Mow, Faversham



This year's Faversham Safari takes place on Sunday, 6 August. Margy Perkins will have a stall in Flood Lane and all proceeds of her stall will be going to the church's sound system.

If you have any bric-a-brac or interesting items which you would like Margy to sell, please contact her on 01795 590619 or perkins.clockwork@gmail.com.

Margy is happy to collect items from you.

**We are putting the church mice
on a diet!**

**Please enjoy biscuits or cake at the west end of
the church, and, if you do have food with you in
the pews, *take the remains away*
for your own mice!**

**There are dustpans and brushes
available to sweep up any debris...**



St Mary of Charity's Holiday Club

10 am to 12 noon

14 to 18 August 2017

Songs : Teaching : Craft : Gym Club

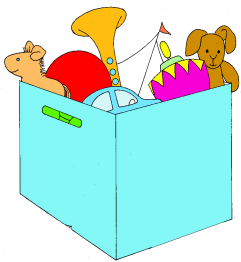
Leaflets and booking forms
are at the back of the
church!



**Our next organ recital is at 7.30 pm on Saturday,
22 July 2017, when Matthew Searles of the
Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral
will be playing for us.**

**If you would like to sponsor the remaining recital for an
anniversary or in dedication this can be made by sponsoring
a whole, or part, recital for £100. Please speak to James the
Director of Music for more information.
directorofmusic@stmaryofcharity.org**

**Can you offer ten minutes after the end of the
9 am service on the second and fourth Sundays of
the month? Or before the services on the first and
third Sundays (especially the first since it's a south
transept service)?**



**We are looking for volunteers who could set out
some mats and toys to provide a welcome for our
families at the 10.30 am service. With the first
Sunday, we need help putting the chairs in rows.
Everything needed is within easy reach in the
south transept.**

If you can help, please sign up at the back of church.

Notices to Catriona by noon Wednesday, latest!

admin@stmaryofcharity.org

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The Coming Week at St Mary of Charity, Faversham

Tuesday, 18 July 2017

10 am Ospringe School Leaver's Service

Wednesday, 19 July 2017

8.15 am Deanery Chapter

10.30 am Eucharist *followed by*

12 noon Parish Lunch

Thursday, 20 July 2017

10-11.30 am Little Fishes: Summer Party (*Little Fishes finishes for the summer returning 14 September*)

Friday, 21 July 2017

10 am Prayer in the Trinity Chapel

1.30 pm St Mary of Charity Primary School Leavers' Service

Saturday, 22 July 2017

8-9 am Early Morning Prayers in the Trinity Chapel

7.30 pm Organ Recital: Matthew Searles, *Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral*

Sunday, 23 July 2017, Sixth Sunday in Trinity

9 am Eucharist (BCP)

10.30 am Parish Eucharist (CW)



First Sunday	9 am	Eucharist (CW with hymns)	10.30 am	All Age Worship <i>Family-friendly service</i>	6 pm	Choral Evensong
Second Sunday	9 am	Eucharist (BCP said)	10.30 am	Parish Eucharist		
Third Sunday	9 am	Matins	10.30 am	Family Eucharist <i>Family-friendly service</i>		
Fourth Sunday	9 am	Eucharist (BCP said)	10.30 am	Parish Eucharist		
Fifth Sunday (if applicable)	NO EARLY SERVICE AT ANY BENEFICE CHURCH		10 am	Benefice Eucharist CW <i>Please check for details on which church this will be held at</i>		