St Mary of Charity Parish Church Faversham Fourth Sunday after Trinity 14 July 2019

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 St Mary of Charity clergy team and lay ministry and all whose ministry is in Faversham and the Ospringe Deanery;
- those affected by 'natural disasters' and extreme weather in the world;
- refugees throughout the world;
- the bereaved;
- those elected to represent us in local councils or parliament;
- those who work in disaster relief;
- those affected by the Grenfell Tower fire;
- those who are homeless or vulnerably housed;
- those who are experiencing financial hardship;
- those who work for the emergency services;
- those who are receiving medical treatment;
- those who volunteer their time for the good of others;
- the people of Syria, Iraq, Iran and Afghanistan; and
- all who live in fear of violence and aggression.

9 am Eucharist (BCP) 10.30 am Parish Eucharist

Readings: Amos 7:7-17 Colossians 1:1-14 Luke 10:25-37

COLLECT:

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Next Sunday:

Fifth after Trinity No 9 am Service Amos 8:1-12 Colossians 1:15-28 Luke 10:38-42



This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb-line, with a plumbline in his hand. And the LORD said to me, 'Amos, what do you see?' And I said, 'A plumb-line.' Then the Lord said,

See, I am setting a plumb-line

in the midst of my people Israel;

I will never again pass them by;

the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.'

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, 'Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said,

"Jeroboam shall die by the sword,

and Israel must go into exile

away from his land.""

And Amaziah said to Amos, 'O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.'

Then Amos answered Amaziah, 'I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel." 'Now therefore hear the word of the LORD.
You say, "Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac."
Therefore, thus says the LORD:
"Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parcelled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land,

and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land." Here ends the Lesson.

Epistle

Colossians 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Luke 10:25-37

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

A lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

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

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For those of you who may have known Tony Wheatley of Ospringe, who died suddenly on Sunday, 23 June; his funeral is due to take place at 9.30 am on Wednesday, 17 July 2019 at St Peter and St Paul, Ospringe. Please do attend if you would like to.

Rev Dan Corcoran Introduction to the Benefice Churches

We are delighted to announce the appointment of Rev Dan Corcoran to the position of Community and Mission Priest to The Benefice of Faversham the appointment as always is subject to enhanced DBS. His licensing will be Saturday, 28 September 2019, during the afternoon and evening across the benefice churches. The family will make their home in the Benefice House in Priory Road, Davington.

Dan is married to Rev Jenny who is Bishop's Chaplain in the Diocese of Canterbury. They have two young children, Cara and Bradley, whom they are very pleased to say have just been accepted at Davington School.

Dan says that he, Jenny, Cara and Bradley are very excited about getting to know all the wonderful Saints in the Benefice.

Since July 2017, Dan has been a full time father, with Bishop's PTO, fulfilling many responsibilities in the wider church, including running Sing along Canterbury. Among his creative gifts he includes song writing and playing the piano and trumpet.

Dan is a pastoral evangelist, having spent time working with young people in Manchester, Croydon and Nottingham, he has a heart for everyone of every age in the community as a whole and in creatively connecting people with Jesus.

We are blessed indeed by Dan's appointment and give thanks to our Lord for him and his family, we look forward to welcoming them into our midst, may we remember them and the Benefice in our prayers, as we all prepare for this new journey

THE BENEFICE OF FAVERSHAM St Mary of Charity Parish Church Faversham



HOLIDAY CLUB

Monday 12 to Friday 16 August 10am to 12.30pm

SONGS—TEACHING—FUN—GAMES—CRAFT—CREAM TEA—BBQ

To book a place either contact Martin on 01795 530421 *or* download the registration form on www.stmaryofcharity.org/HolidayClub hard copy forms also available at the back of the church In an effort to reduce copying and paper waste, we produce a monthly notice sheet for you to take home and keep which will show all coming services and events in the church, plus any notices. Pew sheets are for individual Sundays and will give information relevant to services (readings, hymns, etc).

Please don't forget to take your July Notice Sheet home with you!

Please note that there is no 9 am service on Sunday, 21 July

we will be having a Eucharistic service at 10.30 am led by Rev Steve Lillicrap, our Area Dean.

James Brown's last service at St Mary of Charity will be at 10.30 am on Sunday, 28 July. Please join us to say *'Best Wishes and Farewell'* to our Director of Music.

Notices for Monthly Notice Sheet to Catriona by Wednesday, 31 July, very latest!

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