

St Mary of Charity
Parish Church Faversham
Fourth Sunday in Trinity
Birth of John the Baptist
24 June 2018

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 of Faversham clergy team and lay ministry and all whose ministry is in Faversham and the Ospringe Deanery;
- those being baptised into the family of Christ today;
- those affected by 'natural disasters' and extreme weather in the world;
- those affected by political unrest;
- those who strive for reconciliation;
- 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;
- 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
1 pm Baptism: GARNHAM

Readings:

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Mark 4:35-41

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 Sunday in Trinity
2 Corinthians 8:7-15
Mark 5:21-43



First Reading

Corinthians 6:1-13

As we work together with Christ, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, 'At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.' See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labours, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honour and dishonour, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see – we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return – I speak as to children – open wide your hearts also.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Mark 4:35-41

When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us go across to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.



A message from the Foodbank:

We are now feeding almost exactly 50% more people this year than we were last. The town continues to be generous and we are very grateful but the amount of stock coming in at the supermarket collection points is not keeping pace with the amount of food going out. We are very short of pretty much everything except for pasta and baked beans and we will soon have to consider drawing on our reserves of cash in order to buy more stock.

If you are able to support us, please donate in the bins in Tesco, Sainsbury and Morrison, at St Mary of Charity or drop off at the Mission. We can collect if that would help anyone. Many thanks.

Please continue to pray for all those who help in the foodbank and for those who need us.

While the building works are taking place in the North Transept, the church and churchyard will be open between 10 am and 3 pm, Monday to Friday. It will be open as usual during the weekend.

In an effort to reduce copying and paper waste, we will be producing 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 will be for individual Sundays and will give information relevant to services (readings, hymns, etc).

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

**Notices for July notice sheet to Catriona by
Wednesday, 27 June latest!**

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