

**Parish Church of
St Mary of Charity, Faversham
Fourth Sunday in Trinity
9 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 Eucharist (BCP)
10.30 am Parish Eucharist (CW)
1 pm Baptism: Pendry**

Readings:

**Romans 7:15-25a
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**

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
Romans 8:1-11
Matthew 13:1-9,18-23**



Epistle

Romans 7:15-25

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death?
Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

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

Glory to you, O Lord

At that time Jesus said, 'To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-

places and calling to one another,

“We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;

we wailed, and you did not mourn.”

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, “He has a demon”; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, “Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!” Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.

I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

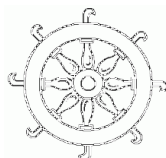
Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.



Evensong at St Catherine's,
Preston-next-Faversham *this evening* at 6.30 pm.
Do join our brothers and sisters in Christ at a special
Choral Evensong.



**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...**



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).



Diamond Wedding Congratulations



*On 6th July 1957, 60 years ago,
Joyce and Malcolm Page were married
at Eastling Church.*

*The family set up home in Faversham and have
been members of St Mary of Charity's church
family for many years...*



*We send them love and Blessings as they
celebrate this special Anniversary*



**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**

The service of interment of ashes for Ron Haden will take place at 12.30 pm on Wednesday, 12 July 2017 in the Garden of Remembrance here, at St Mary of Charity. All are welcome to come to this service.



Afternoon Tea Concert

Sunday, 16 July at Davington Church

3 pm concert

followed by cake & refreshments

£5.00 admission on the door

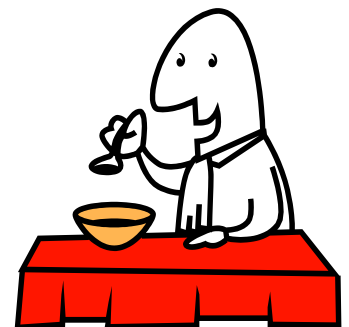
or from lissiebayford@gmail.com

07790 287878

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!

Open House

As usual, St Mary of Charity will be part of the Faversham Society Open House scheme.

Open House runs on the first three Saturdays of July between 10.30 am and 4.30 pm.

Could anyone who wishes to help provide a welcome to visitors for a couple of hours on the last Saturday of Open House please contact Victor Frith on (01795) 590588 or at victor.frith@btinternet.com.

No knowledge of the history of the church is necessary.

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.

REFUGEE APPEAL

Faversham and Villages Refugee Solidarity Group is responding to the latest update and appeal from Seeking Sanctuary, whose leader Ben Bano spoke to us in church during Hop Festival 2015.
The message now is "CALAIS NEVER WENT AWAY".

Many of the young refugees left destitute when the 'Jungle' and Dunkerque camps were destroyed are still homeless. The authorities are preventing most volunteer help, and Seeking Sanctuary is struggling to at least replace bedding destroyed by police.

**We hope you can please donate:
blankets, sleeping bags, and groundsheets,
or money to purchase them.**

**If you can help please contact Valerie on
01795 538571, or email us on
favrefsolidarity@gmail.com.**

**We can collect or you can bring to our market stall in
Faversham next Saturday, 15 July.**

The full Calais update is on the notice board near the font at the back of the church.

St Mary of Charity's Holiday Club

10 am to 12 noon

14 to 18 August 2017

Songs : Teaching : Craft : Gym Club

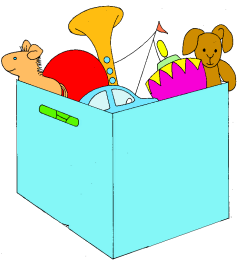
Leaflets and booking forms are at the back of the church!



Everyone will have noticed the improved lighting in the Chancel. What they may not have realised is that it was brought about by the generosity of an anonymous donor. The lighting was changed last year in an effort to save money on electricity and replacement bulbs but no-one liked the gloomy result. The PCC is very grateful to our benefactor who paid for a different set of lamps and brightened up our services.

Churchwardens

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, 11 July 2017

10 am Mustard Seed Music (*last before the summer holidays*)

Wednesday, 12 July 2017

8.15 am Deanery Chapter

10.30 am Eucharist

Thursday, 13 July 2017

10-11.30 am Little Fishes: Summer Collage (*next week is the last Little Fishes*)

Friday, 14 July 2017

10 am Prayer in the Trinity Chapel

Saturday, 15 July 2017

8-9 am Early Morning Prayers in the Trinity Chapel

10 am - noon Church Cafe

10 am - 4 pm Faversham Open House

Sunday, 16 July 2017, Fifth Sunday in Trinity

9 am Matins

10.30 am Family Eucharist (CW)

1 pm Baptism: Diamond

2 pm Baptism: Alexander



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| 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> | | |