

St Mary of Charity

Parish Church Faversham

Last Sunday in Trinity/St Crispin

28 October 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;
- all visitors to our church and town;
- 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 bereaved;
- the people of Syria, Iraq, Iran and Afghanistan; and
- all who live in fear of violence and aggression.

9 am Eucharist (BCP)

10 am Choral procession from The Swan to St Mary of Charity

10.30 am Festal Eucharist *with the Chapel Choir of Worcester College Oxford*

Readings:

Ephesians 3:14-19

John 15:1-8

COLLECT:

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures
to be written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and
inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort
of your holy word,
we may embrace and for ever hold fast
the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us
in our 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:

All Saints Day

Revelation 21:1-6

John 11:32-44



Epistle

Ephesians 3:14-19

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel

John 15:1-8

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.'

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



Thank you to everyone who helped
decorate the church for Harvest
Festival last Sunday.

And also, a big thank you to everyone who came
and helped clean the church for this weekend's
St Crispin and St Crispinian Festival and those who
volunteered their time for the open day yesterday.
The building looks beautiful and welcoming for all of
our visitors.

In an effort to reduce copying and paper waste, we
produce a monthly notice sheet for you to take
home and keep which shows all coming services
and events in the church, plus any notices. Pew
sheets are for individual Sundays and give
information relevant to services
(readings, hymns, etc).

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

**Notices for Monthly Notice Sheet to Catriona by
Wednesday, 24 October latest!**

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