Parish Church of St Mary of Charity, Faversham Ninth Sunday in Trinity 13 August 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 team leading Holiday Club and their helpers;
- 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;
- those receiving medical treatment and those who care for them;
- the bereaved;
- those experiencing financial hardship;
- the people of Sichuan;
- refugees throughout the world;
- the women of El Salvador;
- 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) with guest preacher Major Scotty Riggs, Chaplain with the Alabama National Guard 1 pm Baptism: IMPETT

Readings:

Romans 10:5-15 Matthew 14:22-33

COLLECT:

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever . Amen

Next Sunday: Tenth Sunday in Trinity Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 Matthew 15:10-28



Epistle

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?"' (that is, to bring Christ down) 'or "Who will descend into the abyss?"' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

'The word is near you,

on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him.

For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel

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

Glory to you, O Lord

Immediately after feeding the crowd with the five loaves and two fish, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.'

Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

St Mary of Charity's Holiday Club

10 am to 12 noon



From tomorrow - 14 to 18 August 2017

Songs : Teaching : Craft : Gym Club

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

Good luck to everyone taking part - and have a great time!

The church will be closed to all visitors/regular congregation for the whole week!

Thank you to all for helping raise £250 at the Faversham Safari. Many people contributed to the success. Firstly the weather helped! But about six people gave a huge amount of time and effort getting the stuff out of my basement and then setting up and the most important bit was flogging it! Not only did Julia Frith and Jennifer help for hours, but there were people who helped from outside of the church family and I was so tremendously grateful for everyone's support ad generosity both providing stuff and giving of their time so very willingly. Thank you to all the helpers for making it such a profitable and enjoyable day, and all the donors.

Margy Perkins

This year's Blessing of the Hops will take place during the 10.30 am service on Sunday, 3 September 2017 and the service will be led by The Venerable Stephen Taylor, Archdeacon of Maidstone.

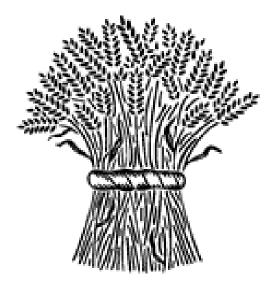


The Friends of Kent Churches annual Ride and Stride takes place on Saturday, 9 September 2017.



If anyone would like to ride, stride or *help with signing visitors in at this church*, please speak to Catriona.

Last year's Ride and Stride raised £137,000 which was used to help churches throughout Kent.



Faversham's Food Festival will be running this year from 16 to 17 September. St Mary of Charity's Harvest Festival will be at **10.30 am on Sunday, 17 September 2017** as part of the Food Festival. Do you struggle to get to St Mary of Charity's Sunday services - or do you know of someone who would like to come but has problems with transport?

Do you - or could you - drive to church and can offer a lift?

Please put your* details on the list at the back of the church if you would like a lift - or if you are able to offer one.

Thank you!



*or the appropriate name and details ...

We are putting the church mice on a diet and *you* have to help!

Please enjoy biscuits or cake at the <u>west end</u> 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...

Our next organ recital is at 7.30 pm on Saturday, 26 August 2017, when Christopher Ouvry-Johns of Leicester Cathedral will be playing for us.

Retiring collection

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 for the All Age Worship service.

Everything needed is within easy reach in the south transept.

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

Notices to Alison by noon Wednesday, latest! (Catriona is away for the week)

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The Coming Week at St Mary of Charity, Faversham

There are no mid-week services at St Mary of Charity during August There is no Parish Lunch in August August is a low month for the choir

Monday, 14 August to Friday, 18 August 2017 Holiday Club - Bible Boot Camp

Church closed to visitors and there are no regular services

Saturday, 19 August 2017

- 8-9 am Early Morning Prayers in the Trinity Chapel
- 1.30 pm Wedding: WOOD/JOBSON

Sunday, 20 August 2017, Tenth Sunday in Trinity

- 9 am Eucharist (BCP)
- 10.30 am Holiday Club Service celebrating our week in Bible Boot Camp
 - 1 pm Baptism: PAYNE

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The St Mary of Charity usual monthly pattern of services:

First Sunday	9 am	Eucharist (CW with hymns)	10.30 am	All Age Worship Family-friendly service	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 Family-friendly service		
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 Please check for details on which church this will be held at		