

St. Catherine's, Preston-next-Faversham



St. Mary Magdalene with St. Lawrence, Davington



CHURCH OF ST CATHERINE PRESTON-NEXT-FAVERSHAM Sunday, 29 October 2017 – Last Sunday after Trinity



Benefice Eucharist 10 am

President - The Revd. Simon Young **Preacher -** The Revd. Simon Rowlands

A very warm welcome to you all



St. Peter and St. Paul, Ospringe



St. Mary of Charity, Faversham

Order of Service

Congregational responses are in bold. Headings and guidance are in italics

Entrance Hymn - 584 -

ALL MY HOPE ON GOD IS FOUNDED, omit verse 4

Greeting and Rite of Preparation

In the name of the Father, ₱ and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,

to whom all hearts are open, that we may perfectly love you,

all desires known, and worthily magnify your holy name;

and from whom no secrets are hidden: through Christ our Lord. Amen

cleanse the thoughts of our hearts

Our Lord Jesus Christ said; the first commandment is this: "Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: "Love your neighbour as yourself." There is no other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the law and prophets.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

God shows his love for us in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Let us then show our love for him by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.

We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,

forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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Bible Reading readings are taken from the Revised Common Lectionary, in the Revised Standard Version. Use of all the above is in accordance with Canon B.5.1. All texts reproduced by permission)

Gloria in Excelsis (Coventry)

Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth.

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Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father.

Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth.

We worship you, **glory in the highest**, give you thanks, **glory in the highest**, praise you for your glory.

Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us, have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer, receive our prayer.

Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth.

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For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the glory of God the Father.

Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth. Amen, amen.

The 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**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Deuteronomy 34.1-12

Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain - that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees – as far as Zoar. The LORD said to him, 'This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, "I will give it to your descendants"; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.' Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred and twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigour had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended. Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the LORD had commanded Moses. Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom

the LORD knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Responsorial Psalm

R/: I love you, Lord, my strength

1. I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour. My God is the rock where I take refuge;

my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.

The Lord is worthy of all praise:

when I call I am saved from my foes. *R/:*

2. Long life to the Lord, my rock! Praised be the God who saves me. He has given great victories to his king and shown his love for his anointed.

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 2.1-8

R/:

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn – 583 -

REJOICE, O LAND, IN GOD THY MIGHT

Gospel Reading

Matthew 22.34-46

Alleluia, Alleluia.

I am the light of the world, says the Lord.

Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.

Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. 'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?' He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." This is the greatest and first

commandment. And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.' Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: 'What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?' They said to him, 'The son of David.' He said to them, 'How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, "The Lord said to my Lord, 'Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet'"? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?' No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

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

<u>Sermon</u> The Revd. Simon Rowlands, Priest in Charge.

The profession of the faith

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down
from heaven.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven.

Those present may bow at these words

By the power of the Holy Spirit

He became incarnate of the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate:

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

All sit or kneel for

The General Intercessions

The celebrant introduces the Intercessions in suitable words
Let us pray.

After each petition: either:

Lord hear us

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us. Or

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our Prayer.

For our community & neighbours in Love Lane

For the sick: Eddie & Marion Barstow, Canon Struan Dunn, Joan Goodrick, Graham Joiner, Anna Kirsch, Barbara Martinez, Sylvia May, Rebecca Nolan, Joan Stacey, Tom Waring and Chris Wolfe.

For those who have died: Keith Brian Field and Leslie Roger Haisell

After the prayers for those who have died Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

And let light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. And rise in glory.

The prayers conclude with Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Peace

Christ is our peace.

He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.

We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts

Offertory Hymn - 715 - LORD, FOR THE YEARS YOUR LOVE HAS KEPT AND GUIDED

Bread, wine and water are brought to the altar with the people's offerings. After each blessing over the gifts all say. Blessed be God for ever.

Pray my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Church.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues with a **Preface** appropriate to the day or season and all sing

Sanctus & Benedictus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

All kneel for

- ★ the prayer for the gift of the Holy Spirit upon the bread and wine...
- and the words of consecration
- At the Consecration, the priest shows first the Host and then the Chalice to the people Great is the mystery of faith

Christ has died: Christ is Risen: Christ will come again.

The Eucharist continues...

- ★ claiming Christ's perfect sacrifice,
- ₱ praying for the people of God & their pastors,
- and commemorating the blessed Mary and all the saints, in communion with Jesus Christ our Lord:

by whom and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

Jesus has taught us to call God our Father, so we have the courage to say:

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name.

Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us,

and lead us not into temptation;

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

The **Agnus Dei** is sung as the bread is broken.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace

Giving of Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Happy are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

All are welcome to come forward for a blessing at the altar rail (indicating this with bowed head) and Communicant members of other Churches are welcome to receive Holy Communion, as seems right to them.

Hymn during the Communion - 494 -

I, THE LORD OF SEA AND SKY

Prayer after Communion

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through Him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Sunday School presentation and Notices

Recessional Hymn - 652 -

GUIDE ME, O THOU GREAT REDEEMER

Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, ♣ the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

The Eucharist is ended. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of

Christ. Amen.

Our Welcome to You

If you are a visitor to St. Catherine's today do join us after the Parish Eucharist for refreshments in the Lady Chapel

NOTICES – BENEFICE

All Souls Memorial Service

There will be a joint service for The Faversham Benefice

at **St Mary of Charity, Faversham** at **3 pm** on **Sunday, 5 November 2017** followed by refreshments and the opportunity to speak to a member of the clergy if so wished.

This service is open for anyone who would like to attend; if you would like the name of a loved one read out during the service, please let the Churchwardens know.

AcTive Church third Sunday in the month, 4 pm at WFCC. Family orientated worship and play.

<u>Message from Susan Manley</u>: Susan would like to thank very much for the cards and letters she has received at this time. They have been greatly appreciated.

FACE AGM: 6.30 pm, 2 November 2017 at The Guildhall, all are welcome. Any items for Any Other Business should be notified to favassistants@btconnect.com 24 hours in advance.

<u>Foodbank AGM</u>: 6.30 pm (refreshments) for 7 pm start, Wednesday, 15 November 2017. Gospel Mission Church, Tanners Street. All are welcome.

<u>Saturday, 18 November 2017 - Diocesan Day of Prayer and Fasting</u>. Very exciting plans are emerging all over the Diocese. So far, these include a pilgrimage from Ramsgate to Faversham and prayer through the night at The Living Well in Nonington.

St Mary of Charity from 10 am to 2 pm. (Anyone wishing to attend needs to book a place using the link below; if you are not 'online' yourself, please speak to your Churchwardens who will help you out!) There is a wealth of information available online (www.canterburydiocese.org/dayofprayer) including a resource offering guidance for fasting - and they're not just talking about food. Please share this with others you think may be interested in attending

Advent Quiet Day: on 8 December 2017, 10 am to 4 pm at The Living Well. Led by Roz Graham. Cost £20.00 which includes lunch and tea. Book with Clare on 01304 842847.

<u>Christian Aid Week</u>: We are happy to announce that amount raised, at the collection at Tesco, was £247.87. Thanks to all who helped.

NOTICES - St Mary of Charity:

The Beetle Drive Social is at 4 pm on Saturday, 4 November 2017 at St. Mary of Charity Primary School.

Parish lunch will be at noon on Wednesday, 15 November 2017. The sign-up sheet is at the back of the church.

Christmas Craft Fair, 10 am to 1 pm, Saturday, 9 December 2017. Variety of stalls (anyone wishing to run a stall or help in any way, please contact Gail on gail@rowlandsfamily.co.uk)

NOTICES - St. Peter and St Paul, Ospringe:

Kingsquad Ospringe CE Primary School, lunchtime, 31 October 2017

Diocesan Day of Prayer

Friday 17 November 2017, 7 pm - 10 pm 'PRAYER SUPPER'

Please email Jane - janeb89@outlook.com if you would like to attend. All welcome.

NOTICES - St. Mary Magdalene with St. Lawrence, Davington:

Saturday, 18 November 2017 - Diocesan Day of Prayer and Fasting, Davington Church is open 10 am to 1 pm

NOTICES - St. Catherine's, Preston-next-Faversham:

Our pattern of worship is:

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1st Sunday	8.00am	Eucharist (said - Book of Common Prayer)
	9.30am	Parish Eucharist (sung) with Sunday School
2nd Sunday	9.30am	Parish Eucharist (sung) with Sunday School
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer (said)
3rd, 4th Sundays	9.30am	Parish Eucharist (sung) with Sunday School
5th Sunday	10.00am	Benefice Service (at Church to be announced)
Every Tuesday	10.00am	Eucharist (said)

<u>Lay Ministry.</u> There is an urgent need for lay (non-clergy) ministry within the parish of St Catherine's to cover various roles. If you are interested to pursue this on a voluntary basis or would just like to ask more questions, then please email, or speak to, our Priest in Charge, Simon Rowlands.

<u>Our Victorian Fayre</u> is on 18 November in the Alexander Centre – a date for your diary. In order to make the fayre a fundraising success this year we are going to reinvigorate the period theme and we would like as many people as possible to dress up for the occasion in Victorian clothes. (For gentlemen waistcoats and maybe a cravat, and for the ladies a long skirt and blouse/mob cap, white apron/pinny etc.) If you have any of these items you could donate (or loan), we will put them in a dressing up box for use each year.

There is a volunteer list at the back of Church if you can help with the event.

<u>The Prayer Circle</u> meets on Monday at 7.30 pm in the Lady Chapel. Do join us for half an hour of prayer for the work of the parish, the benefice, its people and all in need.

CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 30 Oct – Prayer Circle 7.30pm Lady

Chapel. - Ordinary weekday (OW)

Tuesday, 31 Oct -Said Eucharist 10am.-

Martin Luther, reformer, 1546

Wednesday, 1 Nov –All Saints Day

Thursday, 2 Nov -Commemoration of

the faithful departed – (All Souls Day) **Friday,** 3 Nov – Richard Hooker, priest, teacher of the faith, 1600 – Martin of

Porres, friar, 1639

Saturday, 4 Nov – OW

Sunday 5 November - All Saints and All Souls
Parish Eucharist 9.30 am

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Services for Sunday, 5 November 2017:

Davington: 9.30 am Holy Communion

Faversham: 9 am Eucharist (CW) with hymns; 10.30 am All Age Worship;

3 pm Joint Benefice All Souls Service

Ospringe: 11.15 am Family Communion with Commemoration of the Departed

Preston: 9.30 am Parish Eucharist (Sung)

