

St Mary of Charity

Parish Church Faversham

Third before Lent

17 February 2019

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 St Mary of Charity clergy team and lay ministry and all whose ministry is in Faversham and the Ospringe Deanery;
- those affected by 'natural disasters' and extreme weather in the world;
- the bereaved;
- those elected to represent us in local councils or parliament;
- 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;
- those who volunteer their time for the good of others;
- the people of Syria, Iraq, Iran and Afghanistan; and
- all who live in fear of violence and aggression.

9 am Matins

10.30 am Family Eucharist (CW)

Readings:

Jeremiah 17:5-10
1 Corinthians 15:12-20
Luke 6:17-26

COLLECT:

Almighty God,
who alone can bring order
to the unruly wills and passions
of sinful humanity:
give your people grace
so to love what you command
and to desire what you promise,
that, among the many changes
of this world,
our hearts may surely there be fixed
where true joys are to be found;
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:

Second before Lent
Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-25
Revelation 4
Luke 8:22-25



9 am Matins

Responses	Ferial
Psalm	1
Canticles	Venite & Jubilate
Anthem	Blest are the pure in heart; <i>Walford Davies</i>
Opening	Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heaven
Offertory	Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us



Alleluia! Alleluia!

Hearts to heaven and voices raise;
sing to God a hymn of gladness,
sing to God a hymn of praise:
he who on the cross a victim
for the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of glory,
now is risen from the dead.

Christ is risen, Christ the first-fruits
of the holy harvest field,
which will all its full abundance
at his second coming yield;
then the golden ears of harvest
will their heads before him wave,
ripened by his glorious sunshine,
from the furrows of the grave.

Christ is risen, we are risen ;
 shed upon us heavenly grace,
rain, and dew, and gleams of glory
 from the brightness of thy face ;
that we, with our hearts in heaven,
 here on earth may fruitful be,
and by angel-hands be gathered,
 and be ever, Lord, with thee.

Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Glory be to God on high ;
Alleluia to the Saviour,
 who has gained the victory ;
Alleluia to the Spirit,
 fount of love and sanctity ;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
 to the Triune Majesty.

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have come to us,
you are one with us,
 Mary's Son ;
cleansing our souls from all their sin,
pouring your love and goodness in ;
Jesus, our love for you we sing,
 living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ,
now and every day,
teach us how to pray,
 Son of God.

You have commanded us to do
this in remembrance, Lord, of you:
into our lives your power breaks through,
 living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have come to us,
born as one of us,
 Mary's Son.

Led out to die on Calvary,
risen from death to set us free,
living Lord Jesus, help us see,
 you are Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ,
I would come to you,
live my life for you,
 Son of God.

All your commands I know are true,
your many gifts will make me new,
into my life your power breaks through,
 living Lord.



Thus says the Lord:
Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals
and make mere flesh their strength,
whose hearts turn away from the Lord.
They shall be like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see when relief comes.
They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,
whose trust is the Lord.
They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.
It shall not fear when heat comes,
and its leaves shall stay green;
in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse –
who can understand it?
I the Lord test the mind
and search the heart,
to give to all according to their ways,
according to the fruit of their doings.

Here ends the Lesson.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

If Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ – whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Luke 6:17-26

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear

him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

‘Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

‘Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

‘Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

‘Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

‘But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

‘Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

‘Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.



Electoral Roll

The electoral roll is a list of people eligible to hold office and to vote in elections at the Annual Parish meeting. This year we start a new roll and everyone who wants to be on the roll has to fill in an application form. Anyone who attends services may apply regardless of which parish they live in.

Forms may be returned to Mary Wimlett (Electoral Roll Officer), Alison Swinney or Miranda Ford (Churchwardens) or our Parish Administrator, Catriona Cuthbert.

Please note that the Choral Evensong service with
Right Reverend Trevor Willmott,
Bishop of Dover in Canterbury, will now be
at 6 pm on Sunday, 7 April 2019.
This is a benefice service.

**Notices for Monthly Notice Sheet to Catriona by
Wednesday, 27 February, very latest!**

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