

# St Mary of Charity

## Parish Church Faversham

### Twelfth Sunday in Trinity

### 19 August 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 Ospringle Deanery;
- those being baptised into the family of Christ today;
- those affected by 'natural disasters' and extreme weather in the world;
- those affected by political unrest;
- those who took part in the Holiday Club during the past week;
- 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 people of Syria, Iraq, Iran and Afghanistan; and
- all who live in fear of violence and aggression.

**9 am Eucharist (BCP)**

10.30 am Holiday Club Celebration  
with Eucharist

1 pm Baptism: TAPSELL

**Readings (9 am only):**

**Ephesians 5:15-20**

**John 6:51-58**

COLLECT:

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you are always more ready to hear  
than we to pray  
and to give more than either  
we desire or deserve:  
pour down upon us  
the abundance of your mercy,  
forgiving us those things of which  
our conscience is afraid  
and giving us those good things  
which we are not worthy to ask  
but through the merits and mediation  
of 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:**

**Thirteenth Sunday in  
Trinity**

**Ephesians 6:10-20**

**John 6:56-69**



## **Epistle**

Ephesians 5:15-20

Brothers and sisters, be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## **Gospel**

John 6:51-58

Jesus said to the Jews: 'I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' So Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who

eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.'

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



## The Holiday Club Prayer

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for the twenty-one years of our Holiday Club and for all the leaders and children who have participated through the years.

We pray that the children who came this year experienced the church as a safe and friendly place where they could enjoy learning about the Christian story while having fun, playing games and engaging in creative activities.

We pray that seeds of faith were sown, that the children may come to know and trust in God's love in their own lives.

We pray also for ourselves as adults, as leaders and helpers, that we maintained our energy through the week, that our teaching was insightful, that our care for the children was mindful, and that with the children we caught glimpses of heaven in our time together.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord, our Saviour, our Friend. Amen

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

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



Arthur Tapsell would like to invite everyone at St Mary of Charity to join him, his family and friends for his baptism at 1 pm on Sunday, 19 August 2018

Please do come along for the service to welcome Arthur into Christ's family.

**Notices to Catriona by  
Wednesday, 29 August latest!**

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