St Mary of Charity Parish Church, Faversham Twenty First Sunday after Trinity 16 October 2016

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;
- our brothers and sisters at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, mourning the loss of Father Piet;
- the people of Haiti and the Caribbean following Hurricane Matthew;
- those who help with Mission within the Church;
- those who are receiving medical treatment and those who care for them:
- those who work in disaster relief;
- those who work for the emergency services:
- those who work for the UN with relief aid;
- 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 2.30 pm Trafalgar Day Service

Readings:

2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5 Luke 18:1-8

COLLECT:

Almighty God,
in whose service lies perfect
freedom,
teach us to obey you
with loving hearts and steadfast wills
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen

Next Sunday:
Last Sunday after Trinity
St Crispin

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14



9 am Matins

Responses Ferial

Psalm 119 v 97-104

Canticles Venite & Jubilate

Anthem Thou knowest, Lord, the secret of our hearts; Purcell

Opening Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Offertory Jerusalem the golden



Immortal, invisible, God only wise,

in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might; Thy justice like mountains high soaring above Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life Thou givest, to both great and small; in all life Thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, and wither and perish; but naught changeth Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight; all laud we would render: O help us to see 'tis only the splendour of light hideth Thee. Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Jerusalem the golden,

with milk and honey blest,
beneath thy contemplation
sink heart and voice opprest.
I know not, oh, I know not
what joys await us there,
what radiancy of glory,
what bliss beyond compare!

They stand, those halls of Sion, all jubilant with song, and bright with many an angel, and all the martyr throng; the Prince is ever in them, the daylight is serene; the pastures of the blessèd are decked in glorious sheen.

There is the throne of David, and there, from care released, the shout of them that triumph, the song of them that feast; and they, who with their leader have conquered in the fight, for ever and for ever are clad in robes of white.

O sweet and blessèd country, the home of God's elect!
O sweet and blessèd country that eager hearts expect!
Jesu, in mercy bring us to that dear land of rest; who art, with God the Father and Spirit, ever blest.



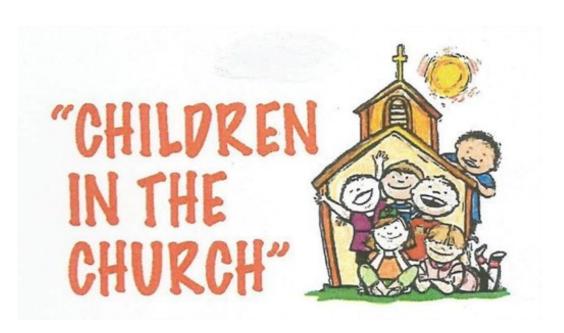
On Sunday, 23 October we will be celebrating the Feast of St Crispin.



Wear you favourite shoes as we celebrate two of our local saints at the 10.30 am service.



This month's fifth Sunday will see the joint benefice service at St Catherine's, Preston-next-Faversham at 10.30 am. This will be the **only** service of the day; there will not be a 9 am service on Sunday 30 October.



Are you able to commit to one Sunday a month to be an extra pair of hands to support parents and children in our 'gated community'?

This would involve setting up (we will tell you what needs doing) and generally keeping an eye open, helping with any activity provided and refreshments.

If you feel this is something you would like to discuss further ... or even just volunteer please contact Gail on

gail@rowlandsfamily.co.uk.

2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5

Epistle:

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is Godbreathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage - with great patience and careful instruction. For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.

This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading:

Luke 18:1-8

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke Glory to you, O Lord

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'

"For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!"

And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

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

Musique Cordiale Festival International in aid of Fynvola Foundation, Faversham

Handel's Solomon

5 pm Saturday, 22 October 2016 St Mary of Charity, Faversham

Choir and orchestra of Musique Cordiale Conductor: Graham Ross Leader: Antony Dennant

Mezzo soprano: Kate Howden Soprano: Dima Bawab Soprano: Elizabeth Karani Tenor: Paul Young

Bass: Johnny Herford

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Information 07976 301 443

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The Tugsday Group's next open meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on 25 October, at the Age UK premises, with political journalist Tim Shipman as speaker.

This meeting is open to anyone who would like to come along and share fellowship *and* hear an interesting talk on a fascinating subject.



Little Fishes is back in action again; singing and praying, laughing and playing ... in the south transept on Thursday mornings.

If you are able to spare up to two and a half hours on a Thursday morning in term time, would you be happy to join us? We need people to help set up, organise snacks, ensure a steady supply of hot water for tea and coffee, help with the crafts, help clear up, chat with big and little fishes, help sing and do the actions, help clear away at the end. Please speak to Dennis Parrett, Val Tyler or Catriona Cuthbert if you are interested. Any volunteers will need to have a DBS check (which is done by the Diocese, free of charge!)

If you have pre-school children and would like to join us, you are very welcome to come along between 10 and 11.30 am.

We have a whale of a time!



'Teach me your way, O Lord, and I will walk in your truth' Psalm 86.11

Whether you have been a Christian for five minutes or fifty years 'Pilgrim' will have something for you.

'Pilgrim' is designed to help you discover the Christian way of life. It unpacks the basic message and teaching of the Christian faith and also shows you how to pray and how to live like Jesus. It does this in a way that is reflective and conversational. No one will force the pace. But 'Pilgrim' will change the perspective of your life; it might also change its direction.

Following our churches positive response to 'Deepening Discipleship' we are pleased to be offering 'Pilgrim' which comprises eight short courses, each with a booklet covering six sessions.

Materials are designed to be flexible, adaptable and are offered in two stages: 'Follow' and 'Grow'.

'Follow' introduces the Christian faith, while 'Grow' aims to develop a deeper level of discipleship.

'Follow' is structured around the four key texts:

- Baptism
- the Lord's Prayer
- the Commandments
- the Beatitudes.

'Grow' is structured around major themes in Christian life:

- the Creeds
- the Sacraments
- the Scriptures
- living in God's Church and world.

Please sign up on the 'Pilgrim' notice board at the back of church or contact Marianne - mariannehambrook@aol.com or 01795 535696

Initial groups will run as follows but will allow for flexibility:

Group 1 starting Thursday 20 Oct, fortnightly, 7.30 pm - 9.30 pm.

Venue: 19 Nobel Court, Faversham

Group 2 starting Thursday 27 Oct, weekly, 10.30 am - 12.30 pm.

Venue: St Mary of Charity

Group 3 starting Monday 7 Nov, fortnightly, 7.30 pm - 9.30 pm.

Venue: 16 Newton Road, Faversham.

Further information can be found at www.pilgrimcourse.org

We look forward to travelling with you.

Marianne Hambrook

FACE-lift your home: Market Stall

Faversham Assistant Centre - FACE carries out decorating over the winter period for elderly and disabled people helping them to stay in their own homes.

We would really appreciate any donations of new or good second -hand decorating equipment; full tins of paint, new paint brushes, new rollers and new or good second-hand ornaments and decorative items/soft furnishings, etc for a market stall we are holding on Saturday, 22 October 2016 to help raise awareness and funds. Please contact Miranda Ford on 01795 227202 or trigpointx@gmail.com to arrange delivery/collection.

Thank you for your support it is really appreciated.

Miranda

The next Parish Lunch will be on the third
Wednesday of the month - **19 October**! *All* are welcome to enjoy good, home-cooked
food and fellowship - the sign-up sheet is at the
back of the church!



Notices to Catriona by noon Wednesday, latest! admin@stmaryofcharity.org 01795 530553

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The Coming Week at St Mary of Charity, Faversham

Monday, 17 October 2016

10-10.45 am Mustard Seed Music Please note change of day!

Wednesday, 19 October 2016

8.15 am Deanery Chapter

10.30 am Eucharist (BCP) followed by

noon Parish Lunch sign-up sheet at the back of the church

Thursday, 20 October 2016

10-11.30 am Little Fishes Celebrating Trafalgar Day with newspaper Nelson hats and boats...

Friday, 21 October 2016

10.30 am Prayer in the Trinity Chapel

2 pm Setting up for rehearsal of Musique Cordiale

Saturday, 22 October 2016

8-9 am Early Morning Prayers in the Trinity Chapel (followed by coffee)

9 am-1 pm Rehearsal of Musique Cordiale

2 pm Wedding

3.30 pm Rehearsal

5 pm Choir and Orchestra of Musique Cordiale:

Handel's Solomon Please see inside and posters for details

Sunday, 23 October 2016, Last after Trinity, St Crispin

9 am Eucharist (BCP)

10.30 am Parish Eucharist celebrating St Crispin

12.30 pm Baptism

1.30 pm Baptism

