

St Mary of Charity
Parish Church Faversham
Twenty First Sunday in Trinity
Harvest with stewardship presentation
from the Diocese
21 October 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 Ospringe Deanery;
- those who are 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 strive for reconciliation;
- 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;
- 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

Bring and share lunch

3 pm Baptism: SIMESTER

Readings:

2 Corinthians 8:1-15

Matthew 14:13-21

COLLECT:

Eternal God,
you crown the year with your goodness
and you give us the fruits of the earth
in their season:
grant that we may use them
to your glory,
for the relief of those in need and
for our own well-being;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Next Sunday:

Last Sunday in Trinity
St Crispin's celebration

Hebrews 7:23-28

Mark 10:46-52



9 am Matins

Responses	Ferial
Psalm	65
Canticles	Venite & Jubilate
Anthem	Thou visitest the earth; <i>Greene</i>
Opening	To thee, O lord, our hearts we raise
Offertory	We plough the fields



To thee, O Lord, our hearts we raise

in hymns of adoration,
to thee bring sacrifice of praise
with shouts of exultation:
bright robes of gold the fields adorn,
the hills with joy are ringing,
the valleys stand so thick with corn
that even they are singing.

And now, on this our festal day,
thy bounteous hand confessing,
upon thine altar, Lord, we lay
the first-fruits of thy blessing:
by thee the hungry soul is fed
with gifts of grace supernal;
thou who dost give us earthly bread,
give us the bread eternal.

We bear the burden of the day,
and often toil seems dreary;
but labour ends with sunset ray,
and rest comes for the weary:
may we, the angel-reaping o'er,
stand at the last accepted,
Christ's golden sheaves for evermore
to garners bright elected.

O blessèd is that land of God,
where saints abide for ever;
where golden fields spread far and broad,
where flows the crystal river:
the strains of all its holy throng
with ours today are blending;
thrice blessèd is that harvest-song
which never hath an ending.

We plough the fields, and scatter
the good seed on the land,
but it is fed and watered
by God's almighty hand:
he sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain,
the breezes, and the sunshine,
and soft, refreshing rain.

*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
for all his love.*

He only is the maker
of all things near and far;
he paints the wayside flower,
he lights the evening star;
the winds and waves obey him,
by him the birds are fed;
much more to us, his children,
he gives our daily bread.

*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
for all his love.*

We thank thee then, O Father,
for all things bright and good,
the seed-time and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food.
Accept the gifts we offer
for all thy love imparts,
and, what thou most desirest,
our humble, thankful hearts.

*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
for all his love.*



Epistle

2 Corinthians :1-15

We want you to know, brothers and sisters, about the grace of God that has been granted to the churches of Macedonia; for during a severe ordeal of affliction, their abundant joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. For, as I can testify, they voluntarily gave according to their means, and even beyond their means, begging us earnestly for the privilege of sharing in this ministry to the saints and this, not merely as we expected; they gave themselves first to the Lord and, by the will of God, to us, so that we might urge Titus that, as he had already made a beginning, so he should also complete this generous undertaking among you. Now as you excel in everything in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' Jesus said to them, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' They replied, 'We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.' And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ



St Crispin Celebration
Saturday, 27 and Sunday, 28 October
A weekend celebration for Faversham's
Saints Crispin and Crispinian

Saturday, 27 October:

10 am - noon: Children's activities.

10 am - 4 pm: Tours of the church (*visiting parts of the church other tours don't reach. Donations accepted with thanks.*)

2 pm - 4 pm: Traditional Afternoon Teas (£7 per head)

7 pm: *O Quam Gloriosum* concert by the Chapel Choir of Worcester College, Oxford.

Tickets £10/£8 including interval drinks.

Available at the door or reserve via crispin@stmaryofcharity.org.

Sunday, 28 October:

9 am: Eucharist (BCP)

10 am: Procession from The Swan, Market Place to St Mary of Charity with the combined choirs of St Mary of Charity and the Chapel Choir of Worcester College, Oxford

10.30 am: Festal Eucharist celebrating St Crispin and St Crispinian.

Bring and share lunch today

Sunday, 21 October 2018

Please join us after the Harvest Festival service for a bring and share lunch in the church. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church (of course!) with suggestions for food to bring - or you can put your own choice of meals down.

We are also, this year, asking everyone to bring with them their own knife, fork, spoon, plate and glass to save people being delayed at the church afterwards washing up, once the clearing up is done!

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

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

**Notices for Monthly Notice Sheet to Catriona by
Wednesday, 24 October latest!**

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