

# Twentieth Sunday after Trinity 13th October 2024

## Collect Prayer

God, our light and our salvation:  
illuminate our lives, that we may see your  
goodness in the land of the living,  
and looking on your beauty  
may be changed into the likeness  
of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Old Testament Reading (Amos 5:6-7, 10-15)

Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins-- you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

## Psalm (Psalm 90)



### Response: Fill us with your love.

Make us know the shortness of our life  
that we may gain wisdom of heart.  
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?  
Show pity to your servants. R

In the morning, fill us with your love;  
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.  
Give us joy to balance our affliction  
for the years when we knew misfortune. R

Show forth your work to your servants;  
let your glory shine on their children.  
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:  
give success to the work of our hands. R

## New Testament Reading (Hebrews 4:12-16)

Let us therefore make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one may fall through such disobedience as theirs.  
Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.  
Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

## The Gospel (Mark 10:17-31)

he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: "You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were

greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age - houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions--and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

### **Post Communion Prayer**

God our Father,  
whose Son, the light unfailing,  
has come from heaven to deliver  
the world from the darkness of ignorance:  
let these holy mysteries open the eyes  
of our understanding  
that we may know the way of life,  
and walk in it without stumbling;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **For your prayers**

#### **In our Prayers:**

Hugh, Josh, Diane Rankin,  
Lloyd Whitney, Diane, Trevor, Vera, Chris Hall,  
Tommy Lacken, Sue, Kathy, Maria Amparo Garcia,  
Maria, Lenny Shaw, Pat, Vanessa, Eamon Irvine,  
HM King Charles, Steve, Tracey Sanderson,  
Fr Michael Shier, Michelle Ferguson,  
Maria Vaccaro, Robert Russell, Carol Martin,  
Nancy Campling, Philomena Sorrenti,  
Martin Fletcher, Jan Bone, Terry Page.

#### **Among the departed:**

Francesco Lombardi

#### **Anniversaries of Death:**

Walter Bailey, William Yeomanson, Miriam Davies,  
Elizabeth Seery, Mary Porterhouse,  
Charles Rosaman, Ann Harris, Mary Hillier,  
Louisa Forward, Charles Edwards

#### **In the Parish:**

We pray for Dingley Road President Street and  
Barbican Thistle Hotel

#### **In the wider world:**

We pray for the people of Lebanon, Israel and  
Gaza. All who have been injured or driven from  
their homes, and all who lives are overshadowed  
by the current conflict.

## **Notices**

### **In Church this week**

#### **Wednesday, 16th October**

**10am-1pm Open Church**

12.30pm Mass

1pm singing

#### **Next Sunday 21st Sunday after Trinity**

10.30am Sung Mass

#### **St Luke's Day Mass Friday 18th October**

Each year St Luke's Church of England Primary School visits St Clement's for the celebration of its Patron Saint. Members of the parish are most welcome to attend. Do join us for 10.30am.

#### **Heroes Band Concert Saturday 19th October 7pm**

A concert of contemporary classics showcasing the music of David Arold, Danny Elfman and Ennio Morricone. Tickets £10 on the door.

#### **Parish Visit to Evensong at St Paul's Cathedral Friday 25th October**

Meet outside the Cathedral at 4pm for tea, coffee and cake nearby, with Choral Evensong at 5pm in the Cathedral Quire.

#### **St Clement's Shopping Basket**

The basket provides the chance week by week to donate to a collection of dried and tinned food and toiletries which can be passed directly to the Dunloe Centre at St Saviour's Priory which works with the homeless and the very poor in our part of London. Please give what you can.

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