

16th Sunday after Trinity

15th September 2024

Collect Prayer

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading (Isaiah 50.4-8a)

A reading from the Prophecy of Isaiah.
The Lord God has given me
the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he awakens—
wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.
The Lord God has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backwards.
I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the
beard;
I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.
The Lord God helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.
It is the Lord God who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?
All of them will wear out like a garment;
the moth will eat them up.

Psalm (Psalm 116)



I will walk in the pre-sence of the Lord.

Response: I will walk in the presence of the Lord.

I love the Lord for he has heard
the cry of my appeal;
for he turned his ear to me
in the day when I called him. /R

They surrounded me, the snares of death,
with the anguish of the tomb;
they caught me, sorrow and distress.
I called on the Lord's name. /R

The Lord protects the simple hearts;
I was helpless so he saved me.
I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living. /R

New Testament Reading (James 3:1-12)

A reading from the Letter of James.
Not many of you should become teachers, my
brothers and sisters, for you know that we who
teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all
of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no
mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the
whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits
into the mouths of horses to make them obey us,
we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships:
though they are so large that it takes strong winds
to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small
rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So
also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of
great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a
small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is
placed among our members as a world of iniquity;
it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of
nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every
species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea
creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the
human species, but no one can tame the tongue - a
restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless
the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those
who are made in the likeness of God. From the
same mouth come blessing and cursing. My
brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a
spring pour forth from the same opening both
fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my
brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine
figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

The Gospel (Mark 8:27-38)

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark
Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of
Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his
disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they
answered him, "John the Baptist; and others,
Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He
asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter
answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he
sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life. Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God,
you have taught us through your Son
that love is the fulfilling of the law:
grant that we may love you with our whole heart
and our neighbours as ourselves;
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, Adele Skinner, Pat, Martin Fletcher, Vanessa, Gregg and Julia Hill, Eamon Irvine, HM King Charles, Steve, Stephen James Winfield, Pat and Terry Bartrip, Tracey Sanderson, Amelia Gregg, Fr Michael Shier, Michelle Ferguson, Maria Vaccaro, Robert Russell, Carol Martin.

Among the departed:

Billy Gilroy, John Moses KCVO (Pr), Roger Shaw, Juanito Polenio Jr.

Anniversaries of Death:

Kate de Graft Johnson, Walter Longmore, Victor Delgado, Henry Bawtree

In the Parish:

We pray for Seward Street and Pear Tree Street.

In the wider world:

We pray for the people of Ukraine. For all those caught up in the conflict there and for all who are refugees, living away from their homes and loved ones.

Notices

In Church this week

Wednesday

18th September

Open Church 10am-1pm

12.30pm Mass

1pm singing

Next Sunday 17th Sunday after Trinity

10.30am Sung Mass

Pet Service Friday,

4th October @ 5pm

All pets welcome
as long as they bring a
well behaved human!



Nature Hub

*Every Saturday from 10am-12pm at St Luke's
Community Centre Central Street.*

Gardening for adults and families from South
Islington (Children must be accompanied)

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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