

St Clement's Church, King Square Last Sunday after Trinity

29th October 2023

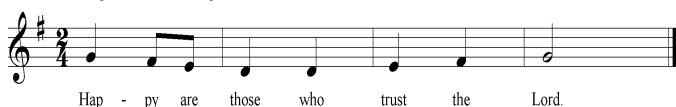
Collect Prayer

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading (Leviticus 19.1-2, 15-18)

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying:
Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy. You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbour. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the of your neighbour: I am the LORD.
You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbour, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbour as yourself: I am the LORD.

Psalm (Psalm 1)



Response: Happy are those who trust the Lord.

Happy indeed are those
who follow not the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingers in the way of sinners
nor sits in the company of scorners. **R**

But whose delight is the law of the Lord
and who ponders his law day and night. **R**

He is like a tree that is planted
beside the flowing waters,
that yields its fruit in due season
and whose leaves shall never fade. **R**

Second Reading (I Thessalonians 2:1-8)

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Gospel (Matthew 22.34-46)

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, "The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet" '? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Post Communion Prayer

God of all grace,
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry
with the bread of his life
and the word of his kingdom:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your true and living bread;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

For your prayers

In our Prayers:

Hugh, Josh, Diane Rankin, Lloyd Whitney,
Diane, Trevor, Vera, Chris Hall, Tommy Lacken,
Christine & Tony, Sue, Margie Ives, Kathy,
Maria Amparo Garcia, Maria, Nicky Young,
Lenny Shaw, Roger Shaw,
Matthew and Lucy and family,
Fr Peter Rabin, Adele Skinner, Nigel Fletcher,
Pat, Martin Fletcher, Mary-Rose Sinn,
Vanessa, Catherine Weir, Bonnie Drewery,
Leanne Killingback, Enoch Amo-Owusu,
Nigel Fletcher, Teemu Karna

Recently departed:

Bishop Keith Riglin, Brian Hammond,
Jackie Monte Columbo

Anniversaries of Death:

Eleanor Cobb, Doris Barber, Gertrude Lommas,
Charles Rowe, Kate Buchanan, Beatrice May
Blythe, Bishop Frank Weston, Sidney Herbert
Taylor, Jesse Cooper, Nellie Rogers, Harry Hayes

In the Parish:

We pray for workers in tech and media working in
and close to the parish around the Old Street
Roundabout.

In the wider world:

We pray for the people of the Holy Land, Jew,
Muslim and Christian, Israel and Palestinian, and
pray for peace.

Notices

This week in church...

Wednesday 1st **All Saints Day**
 10am-2pm Open Church
 10.30 Exploring Sunday sermons
 (with plenty of tea, coffee and cake)
 12.30pm Mass

Thursday 2nd

All Souls Day

7pm Sung Requiem Mass

Next Sunday

All Saints Sunday

10.30am Sung Mass

All Soulstide Service

Thursday 2nd November 7pm

Requiem Mass will be celebrated for all the Faithful
Departed. Please join us for this beautiful and
contemplative service. Sheets for including loved
ones in the intercessions are available.

Farewell for Vicki

On All Saints' Sunday **Sunday 5th November** we'll
be saying farewell to Vicki as she prepares to take
up her new role as **Priest-in-Charge of Christchurch
with St Mark's in Watford**. If you would like to
contribute to a leaving gift for her please give your
donations to Father David or one of the
churchwardens.

Vicki will be licensed by the Bishop of St Albans on
Details of her welcome service at Christchurch on
21st November at 7pm at Christchurch. Transport
will be organized for those wishing to go to the
service. Please sign up today if you would like to
go!

St Clement's Day

Sunday 26th November 10.30am

Patronal Festival, Confirmation and First Holy Communion with the Bishop of Stepney

Please make sure the date is in your diary! If you
are not yet Confirmed in the Church of England,
but would like to be, please talk to Father David
very soon.

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