



THE SUNDAY SHEET

TRINITY 2 – 13TH JUNE 2021

*A very warm welcome as we gather for the Parish Eucharist.
An induction loop is provided. To use, please turn your hearing aid to T.*

***Gluten free wafers are available** for those who need them. Please inform one of the stewards/sidespersons who will pass the information on to the clergy. Many thanks*

ENTRANCE HYMN *Please listen but DO NOT join in singing*

Come, thou Fount of every blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it
mount of thy redeeming love.

Here I find my greatest treasure;
hither by thy help I've come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
bought me with his precious blood.

O, to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee:
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, O take and seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

*Robert Robinson 1735-90
Tune: Nettleton, American Folk Melody*

THE COLLECT

Lord, you have taught us
that all our doings without love are nothing worth:
send your Holy Spirit
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.
Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

2 CORINTHIANS 5. 6-10, 14-17

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

For the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
 Now in the strength of your Word
 send us to be your disciples,
 to bring all the world
 the joy of your Kingdom.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

Celtic Alleluia, Christopher Walker

MARK 4. 26-34

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

OFFERTORY HYMN

*Holy Spirit, come, confirm us
 In the truth that Christ makes known;
 We have faith and understanding
 Through your promised light alone.*

*Holy Spirit, come, console us,
 Come as Advocate to plead,
 Loving Spirit from the Father,
 Grant in Christ the help we need.*

*Holy Spirit, come, renew us,
Come yourself to make us live,
Holy through your loving presence,
Holy through the gifts you give.*

*Holy Spirit, come, possess us,
You the love of Three in One,
Holy Spirit of the Father,
Holy Spirit of the Son.*

*Brian Foley 1919-2000
Tune: All for Jesus, John Stainer 1840-1901*

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Generous and faithful God,
grant that by the grace of this sacrament
our lives may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
we ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN AT THE END OF COMMUNION

This is my body, broken for you,
bringing you wholeness, making you free.
Take it and eat it, and when you do,
do it in love for me.

This is my blood, poured out for you,
bringing forgiveness, making you free.
Take it and drink it, and when you do,
do it in love for me.

Back to my Father soon I shall go.
Do not forget me; then you will see
I am still with you, and you will know
you're very close to me.

Filled with my Spirit, how you will grow!
You are my branches; I am the tree.
If you are faithful, others will know
you are alive in me.

Love one another; I have loved you,
and I have shown you how to be free;
serve one another, and when you do,
do it in love for me.

Jimmy Owens & Damien Lundy
Tune: In love for me, Peter Jacobs

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Loving Father,
we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son:
sustain us with your Spirit,
that we may serve you here on earth
until our joy is complete in heaven,
and we share in the eternal banquet
with Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FINAL HYMN

God is working his purpose out as year succeeds to year.
God is working his purpose out, and the time is drawing near.
Nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

From utmost east to utmost west where'er man's foot hath trod,
By the mouth of many messengers goes forth the voice of God:
"give ear to me, ye continents, ye islands, give ear to me,
that the earth may be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea."

What can we do work God's work, to prosper and increase
The brotherhood of all mankind, the reign of the Prince of Peace?
What can we do to hasten the time, the time that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

March we forth in the strength of God, with the banner of Christ unfurled;
that the light of the glorious gospel of truth may shine throughout the world:
fight we the fight with sorrow and sin to set their captives free,
that the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

All we can do is nothing worth unless God blesses the deed;
vainly we hope for the harvest tide till God gives life to the seed.
Yet nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

A C Ainger 1841-1919

Tune: Benson, Millicent Kingham 1866-94

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TODAY'S READINGS

EZEKIEL 17. 22-24

Ezekiel has pronounced God's message of judgement over the king of Judah, announcing that Babylon will soon conquer his country. But now the prophet uses a parable to offer some hope for the future.

2 CORINTHIANS 5. 1-10, 14-17

Paul reminds us that our bodies are only our temporary abode and that we can confidently face death because we will then be at home with the Lord.

MARK 4. 26-34

Jesus speaks about the kingdom of God through two parables.

duty. Please continue wear a face covering when coming to church. If you have a SmartPhone and have downloaded the NHS Covid 19 app please check in using the QR Code.

Service Booklets. Please do take this reading sheet away with you after the service but please leave the service booklet on your seat. The booklets are quarantined until the following Sunday. Thank you!

Prayers. Please continue to pray for the current situation with Covid 19 and for all those who suffer especially the anxious. Please pray too for the recovery and reconstruction of the Church both now and when this crisis is over. Pray for the renewal and growth of the Church in this place.

Sunday Attendance. Please do continue to book in for Sundays. However, if you subsequently find you are not able to attend, please let Fr Rex know as soon as possible. Thank you!

Church Opening. The Parish Church will be open for prayer and for visitors from 12noon to 4.30pm each Thursday. If you are able to help with welcoming, please speak to Janet Cameron.

NOTICES

Covid 19 Please use the hand sanitiser, complete the Track & Trace form, and observe social distancing regulations as we strive to keep everyone safe in church. When you have arrived in church please take your seat immediately and remain seated until the service begins as other people will be arriving and this will avoid congestion and unnecessary contact in the aisle. After the service please leave the building as directed by the stewards on

Move a Marathon for Ethan. The Elwy Mission has a 'team' taking part in this over the weekend 18th to 20th June. Duncan and Janet Cameron are doing a 26 mile cycle ride; Rex and Alison Matthias are completing 26 miles with a mixture of cycling, walking and swimming. If you would like to sponsor them you can either complete the Sponsor Form to be found in both the Cathedral and Parish Church or via the JustGiving page:

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/moveamarathonforethan>

Ethan was a young man from St Asaph, tragically killed in a collision on the A55 last September. His funeral took place at the Cathedral. All proceeds from the Move a Marathon are going to the Welsh Air Ambulance and Young Minds charities. Thank you!

THE WEEK AHEAD

14th Monday – Basil the Great, Bishop & Doctor

9.30am Holy Eucharist *at the Cathedral*

15th Tuesday – Feria

7pm Holy Eucharist *at the Cathedral*

7pm Bible Study *on Zoom*

16th Wednesday – Richard, Bishop

10.30am Holy Eucharist *on Zoom*

17th Thursday – Feria

10am Holy Eucharist *at the Parish Church*

10.45am Prayer Group *at the Parish*

Church

12noon to 4.30pm Parish Church open for private prayer and for visitors

18th Friday – Feria

9.30am Offeren (*Welsh Eucharist*) *at the Cathedral*

6pm Choral Evensong *at the Cathedral*

20th Sunday – Trinity 3

9.30am The Parish Eucharist

11am The Cathedral Eucharist

3.30pm Choral Evensong

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