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Trinity 19 Proper 23 - 15th October 2023

All-Age Eucharist 10.00

- Welcomers:** Jacqui Haniff-Bentham, Anthony Sullivan
- Server:** Lindsey Archer
- Chalice:** Lindsey Archer, Heather Gwynn
- Lessons:** Joy Ventour
- Celebrant:** Mick Scotchmer
- Music:** Bill Gloyn



HYMN 152 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

GATHERING

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

<i>This week</i>	Wednesday	18th Oct	19.00	Vigil for the conflict in Israel
			20.00	Pastoral Committee
	Thursday	19th Oct	14.00	Café Church
	Friday	20th Oct	10.00	Eucharist
	Sunday	22nd Oct	10.00	Parish Eucharist
		12.30	Simple Lunch	

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS

Lord Jesus, you wept over the sins of your city.
On our nation: Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of sin and division, jealousy and bitterness.
On us: Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you bring pardon and peace to the sinner.
Grant us peace: Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

May almighty God,
who sent his Son into the world to save sinners,
bring you his pardon and peace, now and for ever.
Thanks be to God Amen.

COLLECT

O God, forasmuch as without you
we are not able to please you;
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

GLORIA

Tune: St Helen 453

**Glory be to God in heaven, peace on earth to Humankind.
Father, heavenly King, Creator, God of power undefined,
praise and honour, thanks we offer, worship you with heart and mind.**

**Jesus Christ, our Saviour, only Son of God by faith we know
Lamb of God, the world's Redeemer, love and mercy to us show;
seated at the Father's right hand, intercede for us below.**

**You alone, O Lord, are holy, Jesus Christ, you are Most High
with the Father and the Spirit; Trinity, to you we cry:
'Alleluia, alleluia!' - you, O God, we glorify.**

Please sit

FIRST READING Exodus 32.1-14

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron and said to him, 'Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.'² Aaron said to them, 'Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.'³ So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron.⁴ He took the gold from them, formed it in a mould, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'⁵ When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, 'Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord.'⁶ They rose early the



next day, and offered burnt-offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

⁷The Lord said to Moses, 'Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought

up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; ⁸they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshipped it and sacrificed to it, and said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" ' ⁹The Lord said to Moses, 'I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. ¹⁰Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and



I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.'

¹¹But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, 'O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? ¹²Why should the Egyptians say, "It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth"? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, "I will

multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it for ever." '

¹⁴And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

At the end the reader will say

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN 219 Give thanks with a grateful heart

GOSPEL Matthew 22.1-14

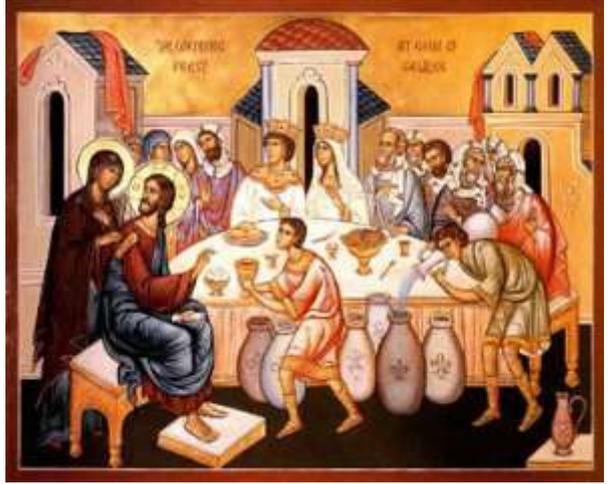
Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Once more Jesus spoke to the chief priests and Pharisees in parables, saying:

²The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding

banquet for his son. ³He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." ⁵But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. ⁷The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸Then he said



to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." ¹⁰Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹²and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?" And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen.'

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit

REFLECTION

HYMN 833 Wide, wide as the ocean



PRAYER OF FAITH

Let us declare our faith in God.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

INTERCESSIONS

Please sit or kneel

Let us pray to the Father who invites all men and women to receive his love.

Grant that your people, called by grace, shall be worthy of their calling ...

Keep the Church faithful in proclaiming all the good things of your giving.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our Prayer

Let the whole world hear your call ...

Come to those who turn away and gather them into the great feast of your love.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our Prayer

Reconcile those in our community who are at variance with each other ...

Draw us, our families and friends, into the peace that is beyond our understanding.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our Prayer

Be with your servants who suffer for their proclaiming of the Gospel ...

Turn the hearts of their persecutors and bring them to the way of truth.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our Prayer

Grant your peace to the faithful departed, that they may enjoy the perfection of those good things which they partially knew in this world.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our Prayer

We pray as those who seek to be worthy guests of the Lord who has called us to his divine feast.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our Prayer

Merciful Father,

accept these prayers

for the sake of your Son,

our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen



SIGN OF PEACE

All stand

May the God of peace make you perfect and holy, that you may be kept safe and blameless in spirit, soul and body, for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you

And also with you.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All are invited to greet and shake hands with their neighbour.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

HYMN 369 Jesu. Lover of my soul

During this hymn, the gifts are brought to the table

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; you bring forth bread from the earth.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; you create the fruit of the vine.

Blessed be God for ever.

The celebrant washes his hands saying quietly;

Lord we ask you to receive us and be pleased with the sacrifice we offer you with humble and contrite hearts.

Lord wash away our iniquities and cleanse us from our sins.

The Lord is here

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is always right to give you thanks, God our Creator, loving and faithful, holy and strong.

You made us and the whole universe, and filled your world with life.

You sent your Son to live among us, Jesus our Saviour, Mary's child. He suffered on the cross; he died to save us from our sins; he rose in glory from the dead.

You send your Spirit to bring new life to the world, and clothe us with power from on high.

And so we join the angels to celebrate and sing:

**Holy, most holy, all holy the Lord,
in power and wisdom forever adored.
The earth and the heavens are full of your love;
our joyful hosannas re-echo above.**

Tune: Slane 66

**Blessed, most blessed, all blessed is he
whose life makes us whole, and whose death sets us free:
who comes in the name of the Father of light,
let endless hosannas resound in the height.**

Father, on the night before he died, Jesus shared a meal with his friends. He took the bread, and thanked you. He broke it, and gave it to them, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine. He thanked you, and gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you. This is my blood, the new promise of God's unfailing love. Do this to remember me.

Jesus Christ has died.

Jesus Christ has died.

Jesus Christ is risen.

Jesus Christ is risen.

Jesus Christ will come again.

Jesus Christ will come again.

Father, as we bring this bread and wine, and remember his death and resurrection, send your Holy Spirit, that we who share these gifts may be fed by Christ's body and his blood.

Pour your Spirit on us that we may love one another, work for the healing of the earth, and share the good news of Jesus, as we wait for his coming in glory.

For honour and praise belong to you, Father, with Jesus your Son, and the Holy Spirit: one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please sit.

And now, as Jesus taught us so we pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.**

**Your Kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours.**

Now and for ever. Amen.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

**O Lamb of God, come cleanse our hearts
and take our sin away.**

Tune: Repton 152

**O Lamb of God, your grace impart,
and let our guilty fear depart,
have mercy, Lord, we pray,
have mercy, Lord we pray.**

**O Lamb of God, our lives restore,
our guilty souls release.**

**Into our lives your Spirit pour
and let us live for evermore
in perfect heav'nly peace,
in perfect heav'nly peace.**

These are the gifts of God for the people of God; our Lord is coming to us in bread and wine.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Visitors: If you normally receive communion in your own church then you are welcome to receive the sacrament here. If you would prefer to receive a blessing. Please keep your hands down.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy and blessed God,
you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son
and filled us with your Holy Spirit:
may we honour you,
not only with our lips
but in lives dedicated to the service
of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
With the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory. Amen.**

NOTICES

FINAL BLESSING

God grant to the living grace, to the departed rest, to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth and all people, unity, peace and concord, and to us and all God's servants, life everlasting;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN 409 Joy to the world!



*Be Thou praised, my Lord,
of our Sister Mother Earth,
which sustains and hath
us in rule,
and produces divers fruits with
coloured flowers and herbs."*



We do not take a collection during the service at St. Anne's as we have a Parish Giving scheme. However if you wish to make a contribution you will find a plate at the back of church and a card reader if you prefer to donate in that way. If you would like to join the **Parish Giving** scheme please speak to Lindsey Archer, Andy Crawford or the church wardens. Also, scanning this QR code will provide information about the scheme and how you can make contributions if you wish.



Funeral: The funeral for Val's husband Brian will be at Greenacres on the 17th October at 3.00pm. The cemetery address is 'GreenAcres' Kiln Road, North Weald CM16 6AD

Please remember Church café Thursday 2-4. all welcome, especially to help.

Rotas—Please let Mick have any non-availability dates for November to January.

Ukraine and Eat or Heat - We are still collecting for both at the back of the church—children, toddler's and baby items are still very much needed as the war takes its toll on the people of Ukraine. As are long lasting food products and hygiene products for Eat or Heat.

Valentines Singers Concert, Sunday 5th November at 3.30pm - "The Turning Leaf" - choral music for a autumn afternoon featuring songs by Brahms, Richard Rodney Bennett and Jonathan Pease. Tickets £13 (£7 students/benefit holders) for tickets in advance, available from Lindsey Archer. £15 (£9 students/benefit holders) on the door. Free for under 16s.

Christmas Bazaar Thurs 30 Nov 2-5, Sat 2 Dec 10-3. - The Bazaar is not far off! If you can help on either day, please sign the list at the back of church. We also welcome donations of toiletries, raffle and tombola prizes, good used children's toys and books, including soft toys, plus china, glass and similar for the Treasure Trove stall. Thank you

FOR OUR PRAYERS:

We remember in prayer each day all those both known and unknown to us who are suffering in mind, body and spirit, for those who have care of them, for all who are living with difficulties and trouble at this time and for all who will enter eternity this week.

Anniversaries for October. 5th Emily Gennings, Clifford Pyne, 8th Frank Acons, 13th Arthur Trapnell, Chris Evans, 14th Dorothy Gates, Dorothy Bulled 15th Ken Symonds, 16th Vera Norton, 18th Ken Howland, 19th Maisie Blackwell, Mary Rogers, Rita Hilson, 21st, Leonard Thomas, 23rd Victor Treadwell, Fred Dalley, Margot Ilsley, 28th Katherine Moxon, 31st Irene Mountford

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them,
may they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen*