SAINT JOHN'S MALONE







Holy Spirit Coming From Both the Father and the Son

Notes: One of the earliest creedal controversies centered around the source of generation of the Holy Spirit. In this work, the Holy Spirit comes from both the Father and the Son. From the the high altar of the chapelle Saint-Marcellin, Boulbon, France. Date: ca. 1450 Building: Louvre

Trinity Sunday

Welcome to Saint John's especially all who are visiting today.

An audio loop system is in operation for those with hearing aids. The order of service is available to download from the website and the 10.30am is livestreamed on St John's Malone YouTube channel. Those baptised in the name of the Holy Trinity and are communicant members of their own church are welcome to receive Holy Communion, according to conscience.

Today: Sunday 26th May 2024

9.00 a.m. Eucharist in the Side Chapel

10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist

The Eucharist ~See service booklet for 10:30am if available or below for page references in the BCP 2004

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Opening Hymn 321

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Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

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Gospel (stand)

Sermon Rev'd Dr B. Crowe

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Communion

Motet O Trinity, Most Blessed Light - Archer

Great Silence

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Blessing

Dismissal

Organ Voluntary Fantasia in G major (BMV 572) - Bach

Office Setting Ives

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,

you have given us your servants grace,

by the confession of a true faith,

to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity

and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity:

Keep us steadfast in this faith,

that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;

for you live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



First Reading Isaiah 6: 1-8

6In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³And one called to another and said:

'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;

the whole earth is full of his glory.'

⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!'

6 Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' ⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm

PSALM 29

Afferte Domino

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you | powers of | heaven, || ascribe to the | Lord | glory · and | strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the honour | due · to his | name; || worship the | Lord · in the | beauty · of | holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of | glory | thunders; || the Lord is up|on the | mighty | waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is mighty in | oper|ation; || the voice of the | Lord is a | glori•ous | voice.
- 5 The voice of the Lord | breaks the | cedar trees; || the Lord | breaks the | cedars of | Lebanon;

- 6 He makes Lebanon | skip · like a | calf || and Sirion | like a | young wild | ox.
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flash of lightning; the voice of the Lord | shakes the | wilderness; || the Lord | shakes the | wilderness of | Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the | forests | bare; || in his | temple | all cry, | 'Glory!'
- 9 The Lord sits enthroned a|bove the | water flood; || the Lord sits enthroned as | king for | ever|more.
- 10 The Lord shall give | strength · to his | people; || the Lord shall give his | people · the | blessing · of | peace.

Glory to the Father and | to the | Son || and | to the | Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be|ginning, is | now || and shall be for | ever. | A|men.

Second Reading Romans 8: 12-17

12 So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Reading Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ according to John chapter three beginning at verse one. Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

John 3: 1-17 3Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart

from the presence of God.' ³Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' ⁴Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' ⁵Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' ⁹Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' ¹⁰Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

11 'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

16 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

17 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God, may we who have received this holy communion, worship you with lips and lives proclaiming your majesty and finally see you in your eternal glory: Holy and Eternal Trinity, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

READINGS

<u>Isaiah 6:1-8</u>: Isaiah receives a vision of God in God's glory in the Temple, and he hears the seraphim singing "Holy, Holy, Holy." Then, after he has confessed and been cleansed, he hears God asking for someone whom God can send, and he volunteers.

<u>Psalm 29</u>: A psalm in praise of God's glory, the power and majesty of God's voice, and acknowledging God as the eternal ruler over creation, the heavenly beings and all people.

<u>Romans 8:12-17</u>: By the power of God's Spirit, we are heirs with Christ of God's glory, we are adopted as children of God, and we are able to live according to the Spirit's leading, not following our sinful nature.

<u>John 3:1–17</u>: Jesus teaches Nicodemus that, in order to see God's Reign, he must be born of the Spirit. For whoever believes in Jesus, sent by God into the world to save the world, receives God's eternal life.

REFLECTIONS ON THEME:

The obvious focus of the readings this week is the celebration of the Trinity. The uniquely doctrinal nature of this theme can make it a tough week to prepare for, but the specific focus of the readings for Year B offers some helpful practical possibilities. Isaiah's vision, with the triple "holy" of the seraphs, reveals how powerfully transforming a true encounter with the triune God can be. The psalm supports this with its celebration of God as king over all, including the heavenly beings. In the letter to the Romans, Paul reveals how the triune God works in our hearts and lives to make us, both in identity and action, true Spirit-led children of God. Finally, in John's Gospel, Jesus makes the same point in his call for seekers of God to be born again transformed, by God's Spirit, into believers in, and practitioners, of the values and purposes of God's Reign, that was revealed, taught and demonstrated by Jesus. God is revealed, then, as the King and Creator, who seeks an intimate relationship, as of parent and child, with human beings, and all of creation. Then, God is also revealed in Christ as the one who shows the true nature of God's kingship, and who invites us to be participants in God's work in the world, by giving us an example, and by opening doors to God's life through his death and resurrection. Finally, the empowerment we need to enter this relationship with God, and live as kingdom people, is God's Spirit who is given to us and through whom we are born from above. The key for this week, then, is how God encounters us, in God's Triune nature, and transforms us into Christ-like, kingdom living, children of God. The Trinitarian celebration is not just a fascinating theological exercise, but a moment of opening ourselves, in worship, to this transforming encounter with our majestic and mysterious God. sacredise.com

Services this week

Wednesday 29th Zoom Compline 7:30pm.

Thursday 30th **Eucharist 10.30am** with prayer for those in need will take place in the Side Chapel. The prayer list is in the Side Chapel.

A cup of tea/coffee is now available after this service.

Next Sunday: Trinity I | 02.06.24

9.00 a.m. Eucharist in the Side Chapel

10.30 a.m. Sunday First. Coffee/tea follows this service and all are welcome.



Notices:

Sign up for the regular email Update at secstjohns@btconnect.com

Giving and Stewardship in St Johns' much of our income received is through the Free Will Offering Scheme using either envelopes or increasingly, by Standing Order. Standing order forms are available by asking the Churchwardens or contacting the Office or secstjohns@btconnect.com. Alternatively if you wish to make a donation then the account details for St John's are also available from the Wardens. Your donations help us maintain our buildings and support ministry and outreach here in St John's and more widely.

The select vestry has launched a <u>Stewardship Appeal</u> in the parish. An Appeal leaflet explaining this is being distributed to all homes.

IF YOU HAVE NOT AS YET RECEIVED THE LEAFLET PLEASE TAKE ONE FROM THE BACK OF THE CHURCH IN THE WHITE ENVELOPE

Your consideration will be greatly appreciated as we seek to address the shortfall in meeting our day to day costs and plan for the future.

Organising your wedding in St John's

Weddings are special occasions in the life of any family and of the Church. We'd be delighted to talk to anyone contemplating their wedding in St John's. When considering getting married please check possible dates with the Rector before confirming any other arrangements. It is expected that couples will make a regular commitment to the life of the Church in preparation for marriage.

Hospital Visiting

The Rector would appreciate knowing if parishioners are going into or are in hospital or discharged and is pleased to offer pastoral support.

Safeguarding

The Rector, select vestry and parish leaders are committed to uphold the good practice to the parish's ministry with children, young people and vulnerable adults. Should you have any concern or suspicion regarding child welfare in the parish please contact a member of the

parish panel.

Please note new numbers:-

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CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 12-18TH MAY

- 1. Envelopes are available in church this week to support the work of Christian Aid.
 - 2. A QR link to the online parish envelope:-



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