



16<sup>th</sup> August 2020  
10<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Trinity  
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St James' Church  
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### Rector

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Mon	11.00 am – 12.00 noon
	12.45 pm – 2.00 pm
Tue	11.00 am – 1.00 pm
Wed	2.00 pm – 4.00 pm
Thu	11.00 am – 1.00 pm
Fri	10.00 am – 1.00 pm

### No visitors at present

Charity register number: 1128877

### Collect

*Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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.*

### Notices

#### Contact Magazine Needs You!

The new issue of Contact magazine will be ready for delivery from Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September. Your help is needed with this vital part of our mission to the parish, demonstrating the constancy of the Church in these uncertain times. So that all roads can be allocated, please contact Tim Bayton (07743 066225 or tim@timbayton.co.uk) this week to let him know which roads you would like to take for delivery. A bundle will then be brought to you.

### This Week

Morning Prayer is said at 8.30 am Mon – Fri

**Mon 17<sup>th</sup> August** Matthew 19 vv. 16 – 22

**Tue 18<sup>th</sup> August** Matthew 19 vv. 23 – 30  
10.00 am Deanery Chapter meets

**Wed 19<sup>th</sup> August** Matthew 20 vv. 1 – 16  
10.30 am Standing committee meets

**Thu 20<sup>th</sup> August** Matthew 22 vv. 1 – 14  
Bernard, abbot, teacher of the faith, 1153  
William and Catherine Booth, founders of the Salvation Army, 1912 and 1890

**Fri 21<sup>st</sup> August** Matthew 22 vv. 34 – 40

**Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> August** Matthew 23 vv. 1 – 12

### Next Sunday: 23<sup>rd</sup> August

**11<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Trinity**  
Matthew 16 vv. 13 – 20

8.00 am Holy Communion  
10.00 am Parish Eucharist

#### Attending the Parish Eucharist

If your name is on the rota to attend but you are unable or do not wish to come to the Parish Eucharist, please contact the parish office so that your spot can be offered to someone else. Also, please note the new guidance that face coverings should be worn in church to prevent transmission of the coronavirus.

Sharing God's love through worship, fellowship and service

## First Reading: Isaiah 56 vv. 1 & 6-8

Thus says the LORD: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, all who keep the Sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt-offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

## Psalm 67

God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us that your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all nations.

*Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.*

O let the nations rejoice and be glad, for you will judge the peoples righteously and govern the nations upon earth.

*Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.*

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase, and God, our own God, will bless us. God will bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

## Second Reading: Romans 11 vv. 1-2a & 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. [...] For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

## Gospel Reading: Matthew 15 vv. 21-28

Jesus went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. A Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.' But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.' He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

## Post-Communion Prayer

***God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.***

