

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians

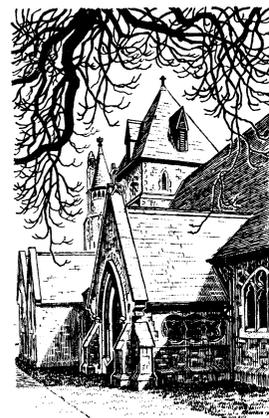
Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

Philippians 4. 4 – 9

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

The beginning of the good news about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God, as it is written in Isaiah the prophet: “I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way”—“a voice of one calling in the wilderness, ‘Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.’ And so John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River. John wore clothing made of camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. And this was his message: “After me comes the one more powerful than I, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.” At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. Just as Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”

Mark 1.1 - 11



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Sunday 24 June 2018 The Birth of John the Baptist



Collect

Almighty God, by whose providence your servant John the Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of your Son our Saviour by the preaching of repentance: lead us to repent according to his preaching and, after his example, constantly to speak the truth, boldly to rebuke vice, and patiently to suffer for the truth’s sake; 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.

Post Communion

Merciful Lord, whose prophet John the Baptist proclaimed your Son as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world: grant that we who in this sacrament have known your forgiveness and your life-giving love may ever tell of your mercy and your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Green Prayer

Lord, we pray for the scientists engaged in research into ways of reducing our carbon footprint and for politicians who are responsible for converting their ideas into legislation. Grant them honesty, integrity and a deep perception of the long-term effects of their actions, so that short-term economics are not allowed to weigh their decisions when so much hangs on policies which will affect generations to come. Amen.

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8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

READINGS

Philippians 4. 4—9

Mark 1. 1—11

10.00am Parish Eucharist

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Mark 1. 1—11

HYMNS

537, 524, 403, 518

6.30pm BCP Evensong

READINGS

Malachi 4

Matthew 11. 2—19

HYMNS

19, 410, 744

Psalms 80



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FOR OUR PRAYERS

Those who are ill or in need:

Finley; Pauline Shepheard-Walwyn, Cynthia Aird

Those who have died:

Those whose anniversary of death falls this week:

Link Parish: The People of St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green, Bulawayo

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 26 June

11.00am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 27 June

8.00pm PCC Meeting, Truman Room

Thursday 28 June

3.00pm 'Together on Thursday'
Meeting at Windmill Café, Wimbledon Common

8.00pm Brass Group

Friday 29 June

7.30pm Adult Choir

7.30pm KFH, meeting in Holland Park

NEXT SUNDAY 1 JULY—

Fifth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

10.00am Celebrate Together

6.30pm Evening Prayer

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 3 July

11.00am Morning Prayer

Thursday 5 July

8.00pm Brass Group

Friday 6 July

7.30pm Adult Choir



THE GREAT GET TOGETHER AT CHRIST CHURCH IS TODAY! When Michael celebrates his 40th Anniversary of Ordination as a Priest. Lunch will follow the 10am Service.

WE WARMLY WELCOME our visitors today - particularly Michael's family and friends, amongst whom are those from previous parishes. We particularly welcome Bishop Christopher Herbert, Visiting Professor of Christian Ethics at the University of Surrey and former Bishop of St Albans. As Director of Education in the Diocese of Hereford, +Christopher attended Michael's Ordination in Hereford Cathedral in 1978 - and went on to be Michael's Archdeacon in Epsom as well as his Diocesan Bishop when Michael was in Potters Bar.

TOGETHER ON THURSDAY Will be going to the Windmill Café on Wimbledon Common, on Thursday 28th June. Meeting there at 3.00pm. All welcome!

DATA PROTECTION: If you have not already done so please complete the form addressed to all on the church electoral roll asking for consent to hold your personal data and use it to contact you and place it in the box at back of the church. There are forms available if you haven't received one and would like your data to be included.

MyRaynesPark Festival, 29th June to 8th July An amazing mix of events including a Syrian cooking class, meals with comedians, discussion of the refugee crisis, approaches to mental health, children's entertainment, pub quiz and classical music. See the booklets at back of church or look at their website for full details www.myraynespark.co.uk

SMALL GROUPS are appreciated by many. As you will have seen from page 12 of the current Parish News, we are hoping to set up other group(s). One person who has offered to convene a new group is Flis Banks: contact her on felicitybrewis@outlook.com if you would be interested in joining.

SOCIAL MEDIA AND CHRIST CHURCH—we are thinking about raising our profile through social media. We would like to gather a small working party to set this up. If you are interested and could help with this, please let Michael know.

THE STONEMWORK has to undergo some urgent repairs. **If you would like to contribute, please place your donation in a giving envelope and mark it STONEMWORK — and do gift aid if you are able.** We are very grateful for the donations received so far: £9662.50 which includes Gift Aid reclaimed.

NEW HALL BOOKING SECRETARY is Angelina Skelton. We are very grateful to her for offering to take on this role, working alongside Stefan Bown and mainly responsible for one off hirings and liaising with the openers and closers of the Hall. We are very grateful indeed to Debbie Morley who has carried out this role over a number of years—thank you Debbie and welcome to Angelina!

VISITING HARRY WATSON

Our friend Harry Watson at Carter House Nursing Home in Raynes Park would very much like to see his friends from Christ Church. If anyone is able to pop in to see Harry it would be helpful to put your name against a particular week on the list at the back of church so that he has at least one visitor a week.