

A reading from the letter of James

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

James 3. 13-4. 3, 7-8

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

Mark 9. 30-37



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Sunday 23 September 2018 Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity



Collect

Gracious God,
you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief and banish
our anxieties with the liberating
love of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Post Communion

Lord, we pray that your grace may
always precede and follow us, and
make us continually to be given to
all good works; through Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.

Green Prayer

Lord God, we pray that your holy
and life-giving Spirit
may so move the hearts of the men
and women who govern the nations
that the barriers of fear,
suspicion and hatred which separate
us may crumble,
and the body of humankind may be
healed of its divisions and be united
in addressing the serious problems
of resource depletion, overpopulation
and climate change. This we ask in
the name of your dear Son,
Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sunday 23 September 2018 Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

James 3.13-4.3,7-8
Mark 9.30-37

10.00am Parish Eucharist

James 3.13-4.3,7-8
Mark 9.30-37

HYMNS

19, 609, 555, 306

12 noon Baptism of Sarah Smallwood

6.30pm BCP Evensong

READINGS

Exodus 19.10-end
Matthew 8.23-end

HYMNS

93, 219, 172
Psalm 119. 137-144



FOR OUR PRAYERS

Those who are ill or in need:

Giles Ellis; Margaret Metters; Margaret Thornton; Finley — we give thanks for the completion of his treatment and pray for his continuing recovery.

Those who have died:

Those whose anniversary of death falls this week:

Richard Lowe (2017); Elizabeth Fleming (2017); Rosemary Dabbs (2010)

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

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 25 September

10am Study School Harvest Service

No 11am Morning Prayer

8.00pm PCC Meeting, Truman Room

Thursday 27 September

3.00pm Together on Thursdays Tea in the Hall

8.00pm Brass Group

Friday 28 September

7.30pm Choir Practice

NEXT SUNDAY 30 SEPTEMBER

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Eucharist

12 noon Focus Group—see opposite

6.30pm BCP Evensong

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 2 October

11.00am Morning Prayer

Thursday 4 October

8.00pm Brass Group

Friday 5 October

7.30pm KFH go trampolining!

7.30pm Choir Practice



INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOCUS GROUP

Ellie Haynes (daughter of Ian and Lucy Christie) would be grateful if you could join her focus group on **Sunday 30th September at 11.15** am in the Truman Room. The group will last for one hour and will watch and discuss several videos. Ellie is studying geography at the University of Sheffield and this is part of her dissertation. No specialist knowledge is required and all viewpoints will be welcome. Your name and comments will be used in line with the GDPR guidelines. If you can commit in advance or if you have any questions please email elliehaynes7@gmail.com or speak to Ian or Lucy (020 8540 9862). However, it would also be great if you can just join in on the day.

PARISH AWAYDAY went well and lots of ideas were shared. The PCC will now be working to implement! Thank you to Tish, assisted by Pascale, for leading us. Thanks too to Dee Babar for organising the making the refreshments.

NEW VICAR TO BE APPOINTED

Until now, the Reverend Michael Burns has held the temporary title of 'Priest-in-Charge' of Christ Church because the parish had no permanent Vicarage. With the purchase of a new vicarage, however, the Diocesan Mission and Pastoral Committee has recommended to the Bishop of Southwark that he should lift the Suspension of Presentation and allow the Institution of a new Vicar. A well-attended meeting of the Christ Church PCC (without Michael being present) unanimously agreed the appointment of Michael as the next Vicar of Christ Church. The legal formalities will continue their course but, all being well, the formal ceremony will take place on **Sunday 14 October at 10am** when during the Parish Eucharist the Bishop of Kingston will Institute and Induct Michael as the new Vicar. The service will be followed by prosecco and nibbles.

Julie Grainger & David Simpson, Churchwardens

NEW DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

It has been announced that **TOM THEAKSTON** is to be our new Director of Music. Many of you know Tom from the time when he worked at Christ Church about 5 years ago and will be delighted at this news. Because he has been previously contracted for the show 'Kiss Me Kate' at the Sheffield Crucible Theatre until the end of January 2019, Tom will not be starting with us until February 2019 - but we will much look forward to his arrival. In the meantime we are enormously grateful to Stuart Miles, Jonathan Kingan and other organists who are providing welcome cover. A big thank you too, to the Choir who are organising their Friday night practices between themselves.

TOGETHER ON THURSDAY

This Thursday 27th September, at 3pm, there will be tea in the Hall. All are very warmly welcome!

FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 13 October at 6.30pm in the hall. £10 a head and children 16 or under are free. All are welcome! Please put your names down on the list at the back of Church to tell us if you are coming.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY—those of us from Christ Church who went to Palazzola and Assisi had an excellent time away. Many thanks to Chris and Clare Larkman for their leadership of a very good trip. Lots of stories and photos to share!!

HEALING THROUGH THE POWER OF LOVE

A Complementary Health & Therapies group at Leatherhead have Wendy Hoy, a Spiritual Healer and One Spirit Interfaith Minister giving a talk on HEALING THROUGH THE POWER OF LOVE, A MODERN MIRACLE at **7.30pm on Thursday 27th September**. If anyone is interested, contact Hazel Bate for more info. Email: hazelbate@rfli.co.uk Tel: 07962 811 990.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING—would you like to enter the Christmas card competition? Details on the poster—closing date is 7 October!

EXPENSES CLAIMS

The church is now reimbursing expenses direct into claimants' bank accounts rather than issuing cheques. Please would anyone making a claim for expenses, include (in confidence) their bank details, sort code, account name and account number. Claim forms are available from the churchwardens. Completed forms should be returned to the churchwardens with any accompanying paperwork and /or receipts. Thank you.

INTRODUCTORY BLOG

Mark Adams' introductory blog with some broader information about where he is going and what he'll be doing in India has been published, if you'd like to take a look www.nomadiceducatorinindia.blogspot.com

ST TERESA'S HOME FOR THE ELDERLY IN LANSDOWNE ROAD has a vacancy for a Kitchen Worker—3/4 evenings a week between 5pm and 8pm to serve supper. Please phone 8879 7366 option 3 or email info@sttersashome.co.uk