

### A reading from the letter of James

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue – a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

*James 3. 1-12*

### Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' Jesus asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

*Mark 8. 27-end*



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**Sunday 16 September 2018**  
**Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**



#### Collect

Lord of creation,  
whose glory is around and within us:  
open our eyes to your wonders, that  
we may serve you with reverence and  
know your peace at our lives' end,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Post Communion

Almighty God,  
you have taught us through your Son  
that love is the fulfilling of the law:  
grant that we may love you  
with our whole heart  
and our neighbours as ourselves;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Green Prayer

Creator God,  
we commend to your care  
all the scientists and others  
who are engaged in finding  
new sources of energy,  
all who are seeking solutions  
to environmental problems  
and ways to provide enough food and  
water for our growing populations.  
Please be with them as they search  
for solutions to the many environmental  
problems that the world faces. Amen.

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#### 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

James 3. 1-12  
Mark 8. 27-end

#### 10.00am Parish Eucharist

James 3. 1-12  
Mark 8. 27-end  
**HYMNS**  
93, 524, 290, 554

11.45am Service at Carter House

#### 6.30pm BCP Evensong

#### READINGS

Exodus 18. 13-26  
Matthew 7. 1-14

#### HYMNS

537, 129, 376  
Psalm 119. 73-80



## FOR OUR PRAYERS

### Those who are ill or in need:

Giles Ellis; 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:

Franklin Hancock (2007), Alec Morley (2009)

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

## THIS WEEK

### Tuesday 18 September

**11.00am** Morning Prayer

### Thursday 20 September

**8.00pm** Brass Group

### Friday 21 September

**10.00am** Friday Group, Truman Room

**7.30pm** Choir Practice

**7.30pm** KFH at 46 Pepys Road

## NEXT SUNDAY 23 SEPTEMBER

### Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

**8.00am** BCP Holy Communion

**10.00am** Parish Eucharist

**12 Noon** Baptism of Sarah Smallwood

**6.30pm** BCP Evensong

## NEXT WEEK

### Tuesday 25 September

**10am** Study School Harvest Service

**No 11am** Morning Prayer

**8.00pm** PCC Meeting, Truman Room

### Thursday 27 September

**8.00pm** Brass Group

### Friday 28 September

**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](mailto: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.

## 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.

## 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 27<sup>th</sup> September**. If anyone is interested, contact Hazel Bate for more info. Email: [hazelbate@rfli.co.uk](mailto:hazelbate@rfli.co.uk) Tel: 07962 811 990.

## 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](http://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](mailto:info@sttersashome.co.uk)