

St Saviour's Church

10 September 2017 - (Ordinary Time 23 - Trinity 13)



One of the battlegrounds of the Reformation in the 16th century was how Jesus was present in the Eucharist and in our world. Many theories were proposed and to this day diversity remains. In today's gospel the spiritual presence of Jesus with the Church is promised. In this case the church could be as few as two or three. In our worship today we give thanks to God for Christ's enduring presence with us.

Parish Notes:

PCC Meeting -19 September 2017 at 7pm in the hall. We hope to finalise arrangements for the extraordinary AGM at this meeting and the election of a new warden. All are welcome but only members on the electoral roll can vote. If you would like to fill in an electoral roll form see Fr Phelim or Glyn.

Back to Church Sunday 24 September - many churches traditionally use the last Sunday of September as an opportunity to invite a friend or former Church goer to join us in Church. Please see poster in the hall that could be photographed, copied and shared by email or social media.

Harvest Celebration and Brunch - We will have a special focus to collect foods needed by Cardiff Foodbank when we celebrate Harvest also on 24 September.

Benediction and Taize Music - next Sunday at 6pm in the Church. Please join us for a time of quiet prayer and thanksgiving for the beauty of God's creation.

Confirmation - For those who have not yet been confirmed but would like to be (adults or children) please contact Fr Phelim. Details of classes in due course.

Newsletter and Sunday Readings - available on our website each week.

Sunday School - Starts up again next Sunday, 17 Sept. We urgently need helpers in this ministry to young people and families.

Parish Representative for Diocesan Conference - Volunteer needed to represent St Saviour's at the next diocesan conference will be on Saturday 30 September 2017 in St Teilo's School from 9:30-3:00pm.

READINGS THIS WEEK

Ezek 33:7-9
Ps 95
Romans 13:8-10
Matt 18:15-20

READINGS NEXT WEEK

Eccles. 27:30—28:7
Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10,
11-12
Rom 14:7-9

PSALM RESPONSE

**'O that today you
would listen to his
voice! Harden not
your hearts.'** (3vs)

This week:

Mon 11:

6pm Mass (St G) St
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Tues 12:

10am Mass (St S.)
Holy Name of BVM

Wed 13:

10am Mass (St G.)
St John Chrysostom

Thur 14:

5:45pm Mass (St S.)
Feast of Holy Cross

Fri 15:

6pm Mass (St S.)
Our Lady of Sorrows

Sat 16:

11am Mass (St S.)
Sts Cyprian &
Cornelius

Sun 17:

St Saviour:
Sung Mass 9:30;

Benediction and

Taize 6pm

St German:

11 am Sung Mass;

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COLLECT:

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

GATHERING:

The kingdom of God is justice and joy; for Jesus restores what sin would destroy. God's power and glory in Jesus we know and here and hereafter the kingdom shall grow.

The kingdom of God is mercy and grace; the captives are freed, the sinners find place, the outcast are welcomed God's banquet to share; and hope is awakened in place of despair.

The kingdom of God is challenge and choice: believe the good news, repent and rejoice! His love for us sinners brought Christ to his cross: our crisis of judgement for gain or for loss.

God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal; in Jesus begun, in heaven made whole. The heirs of the kingdom shall answer his call and all things cry 'Glory!' to God all in all.

OFFERTORY:

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways: reclothe us in our rightful mind; in purer lives your service find, in deeper reverence praise, in deeper reverence praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea, the gracious calling of the Lord let us, like them, obey his word: 'Rise up and follow me, rise up and follow me!'

O sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
when Jesus shared on bended knee
the silence of eternity
interpreted by love,
interpreted by love!

With that deep hush subduing all
our words and works that drown
the tender whisper of your call,
as noiseless let your blessing fall
as fell your manna down,
as fell your manna down.

Drop your still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls
the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of your peace,
the beauty of your peace.

Breathe through the heats
of our desire
your coolness and your balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire,
speak through the
earthquake, wind and fire,
O still small voice of calm,
O still small voice of calm!

COMMUNION:

This is my body, broken for you,
bringing you wholeness,
making you free,
take it and eat it, and when you do,
do it in love for me.

This is my blood poured out for you,
bringing forgiveness,
making you free.
Take it and drink it,
and when you do,
do it in love for me.

Back to my Father soon shall I go.
Do not forget me; then you will see
I am still with you,
and you will know
you're very close to me.

Filled with my Spirit,
how you will grow!
You are my branches; I am the tree.
If you are faithful, others will know
you are alive in me.

Love one another – I have loved you,
and I have shown you
how to be free;
serve one another, and when you do,
do it in love for me.

FINAL HYMN:

Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love;
Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee,
Swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing
Always, only, for my King;
Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee,
Filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold;
Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect, and use
Every power as Thou shalt choose,
Every power as Thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it Thine;
It shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart; it is Thine own;
It shall be Thy royal throne,
It shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee,
Ever, only, all for Thee.

SUNDAY'S READINGS – ORDINARY TIME 23

EZEK 33:7-9

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel.

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, "Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life."

This is the Word of the Lord.

PSALM 95

**Response: 'O that today you would listen to his voice!
Harden not your hearts.'**

1 Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord. R/

2 Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand. R/

3 O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work. R/

ROMANS 13:8-10

A reading from St Paul's letter to the Romans.

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself.

Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

This is the Word of the Lord.

MATTHEW 18:15-20

A reading from the Gospel according to St Matthew.

'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'