

# St Saviour's Church

17 June 2018 - Trinity 3 (OT 11)



The parable in this Sunday's gospel reading makes a comparison between small beginnings and the final flowering or flourishing of a project. The same is often true in our own lives and in the lives of faith communities: small acts of love, kindness, hospitality and inclusion can have long lasting impact and produce great results. As we pray today we might approach this story from either the time of sowing a little seed, a time of enormous potential, or we can look back from a time of full growth, and with deep gratitude, ponder our small beginning.

## Parish Notes:

**Evensong and Benediction** - This evening 17 June 2018 at 6pm in St German's.

**Messy Church** - We hope to launch Messy Church this coming Autumn and are looking for volunteers. More information on this in coming weeks and months.

**Bake Sale** thank you to everyone who baked, bought & supported our Bake Sale last Sunday after mass. We raised an astounding £160! If anyone would still like to make a contribution it's not too late! Please do so to either of the Wardens or Liz.

**Strawberry Tea** - next Sunday 24 June we are holding a Strawberry Tea at 3pm. All proceeds to church funds. See Liz to buy a ticket. £5 for adults £2 for children.

**Foodbank** - As a parish we continue as part of our mission to support Cardiff Foodbank by being a Collection Point as well as a Distribution Centre. A reminder that we are always happy to receive packet & tinned food donations. For details of specific items needed see the shopping list in the foyer or the Church wardens.

**Lamp to Our Lady & Blessed Sacrament Lamps** - 7 day lamps are available for thanksgiving or memorial dedications. Should you wish to sponsor either of these lamps please place your name & dedication on the list situated on the table at the back of church and give the £4 donation to John Stuart please.

**Llandaff Festival of Prayer** - 14 July 2018 at St Teilo's CinW school.

**Confirmation Classes** - Next meets on Thurs 28 June at 6:20pm in St Saviour's.

**Recently Departed:** Doreen Michael, Doreen Finn, Judith Coverdale, Gareth Phillips

## This week:

### Sun 17 Trinity 3

9:30 Sung Mass (St S)

11am Sung Mass (St G)

### Mon 18:

6:00pm Mass (St G)

St Barnabas

### Tues 19:

10am Mass (St S)

### Wed 20:

10am Mass (St G)

Sts Alban, Julius &

Aaron (Martyrs)

### Thur 21:

5:45pm Mass (St S)

St Aloysius Gonzaga

### Fri 22:

6pm Mass (St S)

Sts Thomas More &

John Fisher

### Sat 23:

11am Mass (St S)

### Sun 24: Trinity 4

**St Saviour's:**

9:30 Sung Mass;

**St German's:**

11:00 am Sung Mass

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## READINGS THIS WEEK

Ezek 17:22-24

Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16

2 Cor 5:6-10

Mark 4:26-34

## READINGS NEXT WEEK

Job 38:1, 8-11

Ps 107:23-24, 25-26,

28-29, 30-31

2 Cor 5:14-17

Mark 4:35-41

## PSALM:

**It is good to give you thanks, O Lord. (3vv)**

**COLLECT:**

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**GATHERING:**

The church's one Foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; she is His new creation, by water and the Word; from heav'n He came and sought her to be His holy bride; with His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth; one holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

The church shall never perish! Her dear Lord, to defend, to guide, sustain, and cherish, is with her to the end; tho' there be those that hate her and false sons in her pale, against the foe or traitor she ever shall prevail.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace for evermore; till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won. O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with Thee.

**OFFERTORY:**

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways! Re-clothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy 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, without a word, rise up and follow thee; rise up and follow thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee! O calm of hills above, where Jesus knelt to share with thee the silence of eternity interpreted by love! interpreted by love!

Drop thy 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 thy peace; the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy 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:**

All for Jesus--all for Jesus, this our song shall ever be; for we have no hope, nor Saviour, if we have not hope in thee.

All for Jesus--thou wilt give us strength to serve thee, hour by hour, none can move us from thy presence, while we trust thy love and power.

All for Jesus--at thine altar thou wilt give us sweet content; there, dear Lord, we shall receive thee in the solemn sacrament.

All for Jesus--thou hast loved us; all for Jesus--thou hast died; all for Jesus--thou art with us; all for Jesus crucified.

All for Jesus--all for Jesus--this the Church's song must be; till, at last, her sons are gathered one in love and one in thee

**FINAL HYMN:**

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven to earth come down; Fix in us thy humble dwelling; All thy faithful mercies crown! Jesus, Thou art all compassion, Pure unbounded love Thou art; Visit us with Thy salvation; Enter every trembling heart.

Come, Almighty to deliver, Let us all Thy life receive; Suddenly return and never, Never more Thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts above, Pray and praise Thee without ceasing, Glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish, then, Thy new creation; Pure and spotless let us be. Let us see Thy great salvation Perfectly restored in Thee; Changed from glory into glory, Till in heaven we take our place, Till we cast our crowns before Thee, Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

## FIRST READING

The First reading is from the prophet Ezekiel.

The Lord says this: 'From the top of the cedar, from the highest branch I will take a shoot and plant it myself on a very high mountain. I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel. It will sprout branches and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches. And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow, who withers green trees and makes the withered green. I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.'

This is the word of the Lord.

*Ezek 17*

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.**

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,  
to make music  
to your name, O Most High,  
to proclaim your love  
in the morning  
and your truth  
in the watches of the night. **R/**

The just will flourish like the palm tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. **R/**

Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish  
in the courts of our God,  
still bearing fruit

when they are old,  
still full of sap, still green,  
to proclaim that the Lord is just.  
In him, my rock,  
there is no wrong. **R/**

*Psalms 92*

## SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

This is the word of the Lord.

*2 Cor 5*

## GOSPEL

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St Mark.

He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.' He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest

of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.' With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*Mark 4*