

St Saviour's Church

20 August 2017 - (Ordinary Time 20 - Trinity 10)



'God always listens to the cry of the poor'. Mostly this is true in the Old and New Testaments but in today's gospel he appears to ignore and harden his heart to the Canaanite women's pleas. It remains a mystery as to why Jesus doesn't respond in his usual way. At the end he does respond (obeying the Father) and with God's typical generosity to those who show great faith. Yet, for us, we are left wondering why the delay? Indeed, for those who persevere with prayer we often wonder: why Lord aren't you answering my prayer in the way I want? Unfortunately, God doesn't work like that.

Parish Notes:

Rome Pilgrimage 2017 - Fr Phelim is hoping to lead a group to Rome between 4-8 December. There is a flyer and application form available on our website. Final Call.

PCC Meeting -19 September 2017 at 7pm in the hall.

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. More details about this and sample invitations in due course.

Election of New People's Warden - We hope to have an extraordinary AGM in late September or early October for the election of a new warden. We again thank Glyn and Rachel for all that they have done for us. In the meantime we'd appreciate any help on a range of roles and activities that Rachel did. Please see the list in the hall.

Hospital and Sick Visits - Please let Fr Phelim know of parishioners who are sick or in hospital or home bound would like a visit from a priest.

Foodbank - It is important that donations to the Foodbank continue during the Summer. Please continue to give as generously as you can.

This week:

Mon 21:

No mass this week
St Pius X

Tues 22:

10am Mass (St S.)
Our Lady, Queen &
Mother

Wed 23:

10am Mass (St G.)
St Rose of Lima
2pm Funeral (St G)

Thur 24:

5:45pm Mass (St S.)
ST BARTHOLOMEW

Fri 25:

6pm Mass (St S.)
St Louis of France

Sat 26:

11am Mass (St S.)

Sun 27:

St Saviour:
Sung Mass 9:30;
St German:
11 am Sung Mass;

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READINGS THIS WEEK

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8
Ps 67
Rom 11:13-15, 29-32
Matt 15:21-28

READINGS NEXT WEEK

Isaiah 51:1-6-
Ps 138
Romans 11:33-36
Matt 16:13-20

PSALM RESPONSE

'Let the peoples
praise you, O God, let
all the peoples praise
you'.

COLLECT:

Almighty God, Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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.**

GATHERING:

Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
bright seraphs, cherubim, and
thrones, raise the glad strain,
Alleluia!

Cry out, dominions, principdoms,
powers, virtues, archangels,
angels' choirs,

Alleluia! alleluia! alleluia!
Alleluia! alleluia!

O higher than the cherubim,
more glorious than the seraphim,
lead their praises, Alleluia!
Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
most gracious, magnify the Lord,

Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
ye patriarchs and prophets blest,
Alleluia, alleluia!
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,
all saints triumphant, raise the song,

O friends, in gladness let us sing,
supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluia, alleluia!
To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One

OFFERTORY:

Sing we of the blessed Mother
who received the angel's word,
And obedient to the summons
bore in love the infant Lord;
Sing we of the joys of Mary
at whose breast that child was fed
Who is Son of God eternal
and the everlasting Bread.

Sing we, too, of Mary's sorrows, of
the sword that pierced her through,
When beneath the cross of Jesus

she his weight of suffering knew,
Looked upon her Son and Saviour
reigning from the awful tree,
Saw the price of our redemption
paid to set the sinner free.

Sing again the joys of Mary
when she saw the risen Lord,
And in prayer with Christ's apostles,
waited on his promised word:
from on high the blazing glory
of the Spirit's presence came,
heav'nly breath of God's own being
tokened in the wind and flame.

Sing the greatest joy of Mary,
when on earth her work was done,
And the Lord of all creation
brought her to his heav'nly home:
Virgin Mother, Mary blessed, raised
on high and crowned with grace,
May your Son, the world's redeemer,
grant us all to see his face..

COMMUNION:

What do you want of me Lord?
Where do you want me to serve you
Where can I sing your praises?
I am your song
Jesus, Jesus, you are the Lord
Jesus, Jesus, you are the way

I hear you call my name Lord
And I am moved within me
Your Spirit stirs my deepest self
Sing your songs in me
Jesus, Jesus you are my Lord
Jesus, Jesus you are the way

Above below and around me
Before, behind and all through me
Your Spirit burns deep within me
Fire my Life with your Love
Jesus, Jesus, be warmth of my heart

Jesus, Jesus, you are the way.

You are the light in my darkness
You are my strength when I'm
weary
You give me sight when I'm blinded
Come see for me.
Jesus, Jesus you are my Light
Jesus, Jesus you are the way.

I am your song and servant
Singing your praise like Mary
Surrendered to your Spirit
Let it be done to me
Jesus, Jesus, Let it be done to me
Jesus, Jesus you are the way.

FINAL HYMN:

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of
the Lord! Unnumbered blessings
give my spirit voice; tender to me
the promise of his word; in God my
Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of
his Name! Make known his might,
the deeds his arm has done; his
mercy sure, from age to age to
same; his holy Name--the Lord, the
Mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of
his might! Powers and dominions lay
their glory by. Proud hearts and
stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted
high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his
word! Firm is his promise, and his
mercy sure. Tell out, my soul, the
greatness of the Lord to children's
children and for evermore!

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS – ORDINARY TIME 20

ISAIAH 56:1, 6-8

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed.

And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant — these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt-offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

This is the Word of the Lord.

PSALM 67

Response: 'Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you'

1 O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help. R/

2 Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. R/

3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him. R/

ROMANS 11:13-15, 29-32

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

I am talking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I take pride in my ministry in the hope that I may somehow arouse my own people to envy and save some of them. For if their rejection brought reconciliation to the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead? For God's gifts and his call are irrevocable. Just as you who were at one time disobedient to God have now received mercy as a result of their disobedience, so they too have now become disobedient in order that they too may now[a] receive mercy as a result of God's mercy to you. For God has bound everyone over to disobedience so that he may have mercy on them all.

This is the Word of the Lord.

MATTHEW 15:21-28

A reading from the Gospel according to St Matthew.

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.' But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.' He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.