

# St Saviour's Church

23 August 2020 - Ordinary Time 21 (11th after Trinity)



Jesus declares that the Peter's confession is not the fruit of "flesh and blood" but a gift from his heavenly Father. In like manner, Peter's rock-like stability is a fruit of the Spirit — and of his searing experience of failure when he acted in his own power. "Faith in God and in Christ can only become rock-hard faith in a rocky fortress through God and Christ himself" - Hans Urs von Balthasar, Light of the Word. (*Angus Ritchie, Church Times - 21 Aug 2020*)

## Parish Notes:

**Next Sunday** - Reserve your seat at St Saviour's mass via Liz on 07718018846.

**Welcome** - Welcome back to Fr Jordan Hillebert and his family, and thank you for his preaching and presiding today.

**Weekday Services** - No weekday services this coming week as Fr Phelim is away. Normal service resumes from Sunday 30th.

**Thank You** - a heartfelt thank you to all have supported St Saviour's financially over these past few months. The selfless generosity of our community is very much appreciated. Indeed, your generosity has ensured that we can continue to serve and worship God and build up the Kingdom in this part of the world. Deo Gratia!

**Fundraising and Sponsorship** - recent events so far has raised over £440. Thanks again to those who walked or cycled to Penrhys and those who backed them.

**Back to Church Sunday** - 20 Sept 2020 - We hope to revisit the practice of recent years and setting aside one sunday each year as a time when we invite our friends and family members to join us in church. The focus is on invitation and having the courage to ask someone. More details on this and what else we can do to grow spiritually and numerically in the coming weeks.

**Make and Mend** - there will be a general repair/clean/tidy up day of the church, inside and out on Sat 12 Sept from 10am. Bring your own lunch.

**Public Worship** - Please attend carefully to the safety instructions, posters and guidance from stewards and parish officers during the services. During Holy Communion please stay in your seats and Fr Phelim will bring Holy Communion to you. Social distancing remains our key safety precaution. Face coverings may be worn, according to Welsh government guidance, but are not compulsory. We are not yet able to share communion from the chalice or exchange the peace.

**Faith Nurturing** - Next meets on Wed 16 Sept at 7pm. 'In Search of a Way' by G. Hughes SJ. at 7pm via Zoom. Contact Fr Phelim for details. We'll look at chapters -4-6.

**Recently Departed** - we pray for all those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

## Services This Week

### Sun 23 - 11th Sunday after Trinity (OT21)

09:30 Mass (St Saviour)  
11.00 Mass (St German)  
Vale of Glamorgan Deanery,  
Martyn Davies (AD),  
Province of SE Asia.

### Mon 24:

No Mass today  
St Bartholomew, Apostle

### Tue 25:

No Mass today

### Wed 26:

No Mass today

### Thur 27:

No Mass today  
St Monica

### Friday 28:

No Mass today  
St Augustine

### Saturday 29:

No Mass today  
Beheading of John the Baptist

### Sun 30 - 12th Sunday after Trinity (OT22)

09:30 Mass (St Saviour)  
11.00 Mass (St German)  
Cardiff Deanery, Stewark Lisk (AD), United Church of South India

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## READINGS THIS WEEK

Isa 22:19-23  
Ps 138:1-2a, 2b-3, 6+8  
Rom 11:33-36  
Matt 16:13-20

## READINGS NEXT WEEK

Jer 20:7-9  
Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9  
Rom 12:1-2  
Matt 16:21-27

## PSALM:

**Your love, O Lord, is eternal: discard not the work of your hands.**

## TODAY'S MUSIC

Here in this place  
O Jesus I have promised  
Soul of my saviour  
Tell out my soul

## COLLECT

O God, you declare your  
almighty power most chiefly in  
showing mercy and pity:  
mercifully grant to us such a  
measure of your grace,  
that we, running the way of your  
commandments, may receive  
your gracious promises, and be  
made partakers of your heavenly  
treasure; 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.**

## FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord of Hosts to  
Shebna, the master of the palace: I  
dismiss you from your office, I  
remove you from your post, and the  
same day I call on my servant  
Eliakim son of Hilkiah.  
I invest him with your robe,  
gird him with your sash,  
entrust him with your authority;  
and he shall be a father  
to the inhabitants of Jerusalem  
and to the House of Judah.  
I place the key of the House of David  
on his shoulder;  
should he open, no one shall close,  
should he close, no one shall open.  
I drive him like a peg  
into a firm place;  
he will become a throne of glory  
for his father's house.

This is the word of the Lord.

*Isaiah 22*

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Your love, O Lord, is eternal:  
discard not the work of your  
hands.**

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart:  
you have heard the words of my mouth.  
In the presence of the angels I will bless  
you.  
I will adore before your holy temple. **R/**

I thank you for your faithfulness and  
love,  
which excel all we ever knew of you.  
On the day I called, you answered;  
you increased the strength of my soul.  
**R/**

The Lord is high yet he looks on the  
lowly  
and the haughty he knows from afar.  
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,  
discard not the work of your hands. **R/**

*Psalm 138*

## SECOND READING

A reading from Paul's letter to the  
Romans.

How rich are the depths of God –  
how deep his wisdom and  
knowledge – and how impossible to  
penetrate his motives or understand  
his methods! Who could ever know  
the mind of the Lord? Who could  
ever be his counsellor? Who could  
ever give him anything or lend him  
anything? All that exists comes from  
him; all is by him and for him. To  
him be glory for ever! Amen.

This is the word of the Lord.

*Romans 11*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!  
God in Christ was reconciling the  
world to himself, and he has  
entrusted to us the news that they  
are reconciled.  
Alleluia!

## GOSPEL:

A reading from the Gospel according  
to Matthew.

Now when Jesus came into the  
district of Caesarea Philippi, he  
asked his disciples, 'Who do people  
say that the Son of Man is?' And  
they said, 'Some say John the  
Baptist, but others Elijah, and still  
others Jeremiah or one of the  
prophets.' He said to them, 'But who  
do you say that I am?' Simon Peter  
answered, 'You are the Messiah, the  
Son of the living God.' And Jesus  
answered him, 'Blessed are you,  
Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and  
blood has not revealed this to you,  
but my Father in heaven. And I tell  
you, you are Peter, and on this rock I  
will build my church, and the gates  
of Hades will not prevail against it. I  
will give you the keys of the  
kingdom of heaven, and whatever  
you bind on earth will be bound in  
heaven, and whatever you loose on  
earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then  
he sternly ordered the disciples not  
to tell anyone that he was the  
Messiah.

This is the gospel of the Lord.

*Matthew 16*