

Parish of St. Thomas, Apostle & Martyr, Ipswich

13th June 2021 - 2nd Sunday after Trinity

Collect:

Faithful Creator, whose mercy never fails: deepen our faithfulness to you and to your living Word, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Psalm 20

1 The Lord answer you in the day of trouble! The name of the God of Jacob protect you!

2 May he send you help from the sanctuary, and give you support from Zion.

3 May he remember all your offerings, and regard with favour your burnt sacrifices. *Selah*

4 May he grant you your heart's desire, and fulfill all your plans.

5 May we shout for joy over your victory, and in the name of our God set up our banners. May the Lord fulfill all your petitions.

6 Now I know that the Lord will help his anointed; he will answer him from his holy heaven with



mighty victories by his right hand.

7 Some take pride in chariots, and some in horses, but our pride is in the name of the Lord our God.

8 They will collapse and fall, but we shall rise and stand upright.

9 Give victory to the king, O Lord; answer us when we call.

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians (Ephesians 1.15-19)

That's why, when I heard of the solid trust you have in the Lord Jesus and your outpouring of love to all the followers of Jesus, I couldn't stop thanking God for you—every time I prayed, I'd think of you and give thanks. But I do more than thank. I ask—ask the God of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the God of glory—to make you intelligent and discerning in knowing him personally, your eyes focused and clear, so that you can see exactly what it is he is calling you to do, grasp the immensity of this glorious way of life he has for his followers, oh, the utter extravagance of his work in us who trust him—endless energy, boundless strength!

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (24.13-32)

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?"

This is the gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

Notices:

Christian Aid 2021: we have raised a grand total of **£385.25** including Gift Aid! Thank you to all who donated for your generosity, and to Daphne for organising the envelopes again this year.

Church-sitting: we are looking for more people to do regular church-sitting while we are open for prayer on Mondays & Thursdays 11.30-1.30. We are no longer restricting this to under-70s, it is open to anyone able and willing! If you can commit to one or both hours regularly, please speak to Alison or Rev Cat.

Tech volunteers: we want to build a small team of people who can do the livestream tech on Sundays. It's quite easy! Speak to Malcolm to find out more, be trained, and volunteer.

Mini market: we are holding a mini market fundraiser on Weds 14th July. Please donate jams, marmalade, cake, handcrafted items, etc.! Speak to Alison.

Patronal BBQ: do come and celebrate our patronal festival! Please RSVP to Alison so we can cater for the right number of people. Also let us know if you're willing to bring a salad or pudding!

Booking for in-person services: Sunday services must be booked into—we email out a booking form every week. If you'd like to receive the link by email, send a message to admin@stthomasipswich.org.uk. **To book by phone, call 01473 742973 and leave a message saying your name, which service you are booking for, and how many (including yourself) you are booking for.**

Dates For Your Diary:

27th June: Baptism and Confirmation service with Bishop Martin

4th July: Patronal Festival (hopefully with our traditional BBQ!)

2nd August 7.30pm: Licensing of Revd. Rachel Revely

Please pray for:

Those with chronic or long-term illness: Rosemary, Eric Dickerson, Jenny, Andrew Barfield, Kathy Steele, Andrew, Peggy, Margaret Christian, Natacha, Katie, Stephen, Samantha, Theresa

Those undergoing treatment or currently ill: Gloria Elmer, Leslie Bloomfield, Roger Dickerson, Kenneth Leek, Angela, Helen Pratt, Timothy, Canon Chris

Those who have recently died, and their families mourning their loss: Angelina



Revd. Cat Connolly (13th)
Susan Dickerson (20th)

This Week:

Sunday 13th June (Trinity 2)

10am: Eucharist with Facebook livestream

Monday 14th June

11.30-1.30: Church open for prayer

4.30pm: STPC evening prayer. Contact Malcolm for Zoom link.

Tuesday 15th June

6.30-7.10pm: Zoom Meditation Group. Contact Lucy for details & link: lucydrake22@gmail.com

Wednesday 16th June

10am: Eucharist

7:30pm: Faith Pictures

Thursday 17th June

11.30-1.30: Church open for prayer

Sunday 20th June (Trinity 3)

10am: Eucharist with Facebook livestream

Church website:

[http://stthomasipswich.org.uk/](http://stthomasipswich.org.uk)

Sunday Worship & other Worship resources on the Church Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/stthomasipswich/>

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