

PEW SHEET Sunday, September 4th 2022 THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



TODAY IN CHURCH

8.00 am **Low Mass** Fr Alex

9.15 am **Family Service** Fr Alex (Homily: Catherine Gibson)

10.45 am **Sung Mass** Fr Alex

6.30 pm **Choral Evensong** Fr Alex

10.45 AM SUNG MASS

Mass Setting John Ireland in C

Opening Hymn 232 Awake, my soul, and with the sun

Collect Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of 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 Philemon 1 - 21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, to Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house: grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.



Psalm 1 Beatus vir, qui non abiit

- Blessed are they who have not walked in the | counsel \cdot of the | wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, * nor | sat in \cdot the ass-|embly \cdot of the | scornful.
- Their delight is in the $| \text{ law of } \cdot \text{ the } | \text{ Lord}$ and they meditate on his | law | day and | night.
- Like a tree planted by streams of water bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither, * what-|ever \cdot they | do, it \cdot shall | prosper.
- 4 As for the wicked, * it is not | so with | them; they are like chaff which the | wind — | blows a-|way.
- Therefore the wicked shall not be able to | stand in \cdot the | judgement, nor the sinner in the congre-|ga-tion | of the | righteous.
- For the Lord knows the | way of \cdot the | righteous, but the | way of \cdot the | wicked \cdot shall | perish.

Gospel Acclamation

I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord. No one comes to the Father except through me.

Gospel Reading Luke 14. 25 - 33

Now large crowds were travelling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, 'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.'

Homily Fr Alex

Offertory Hymn

And can it be?

(The last two lines of each verse are repeated)

And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his pain?
For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
That thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

'Tis mystery all: the Immortal dies!
Who can explore his strange design?
In vain the first-born seraph tries
To sound the depths of love divine.
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,
Let angel minds enquire no more.

He left his Father's throne above—
So free, so infinite his grace—
Emptied himself of all but love,
And bled for Adam's helpless race.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
For, O my God, it found out me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray;
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
Alive in him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach the eternal throne,
And claim the crown, through Christ, my own.

Communion Anthem Thomas Tallis: If ye love me

Communion Hymn **318** My God, accept my heart this day

Post Communion Prayer God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Recessional Hymn 420 O Jesus, I have promised

Organ Postlude Dietrich Buxtehude: Prelude, fugue and chaconne in C

In our Prayers

Years' Mind

Sunday Audrey Pennington, Hilda Winder, Christina Craven

Monday Esmeralda Kemp, Samuel Thomas Tuesday Frances Elizabeth Jerry, Peter Gill

Wednesday Gertrude Alice Hodges, John Harding

Thursday Peter Cheney **Enid Gibson Friday**

Saturday Eric Adams (Pr), Gertrude Darley, Vivian Patterson, Wendy Slingsby

Please pray for the sick: Trevor Allen, Jasper Boyton, Joyce Cross, Brian and Julie Holmes, Fr Garth Kellett, Anna Lickley, Charlotte Lockhart, David Scottow, Molly Sunderland, Gerry Whittington, Ian Wilson.

6.30 pm CHORAL EVENSONG

Hymns 241(i), 18, 434

Psalm 121

Herbert Brewer in D Setting

Anthem Malcolm Archer: Who would true valour see Readings Isaiah 43. 14 — 44. 5 John 5. 30 - end

Homily Fr Alex

Organ Postlude Christopher Rathbone: Prelude on Love unknown op 153 no 8

FORTNIGHTLY CHURCH DIARY

Morning Prayer at 7.45 am and Evening Prayer at 5.15 pm daily (Tuesday to Friday)

Fr Alex is away from Tuesday 6 to Thursday 8 at the Diocesan Clergy Conference

Tues 6	6.15 pm	Contemplative Mass	Revd Isobel Rathbone
Thur 8	11.00 am	Low Mass with social time	Fr David Hope
Fri 9	9.30 am 6.15 pm 7.45 pm	Playtime Cant and Dec rehearsal Choir rehearsal	
Sun 11	8.00 am 9.15 am 10.45 am 4.30 pm 6.30 pm	Low Mass Family Mass Sung Mass Cant and Dec meeting Choral Evensong	Fr Alex Fr Alex Fr Alex H: Revd Isobel Rathbone
Tues 13	6.15 pm	Contemplative Mass	Fr Alex
Wed 14	7.30 pm	Standing Committee meeting	
Thur 15	11.00 am 12.30 pm	Low Mass Lunch Club	Fr Alex
Fri 16	9.30 am 6.15 pm 7.45 pm	Playtime Cant and Dec rehearsal Choir rehearsal	
Sat 17	2.00 pm	Wedding of Mathew Gilbert and Tamara Kilner	Fr Alex
Sun 18	8.00 am 9.15 am 10.45 am 6.30 pm	Low Mass Family Service Sung Mass Choral Evensong	Fr Alex Fr Alex Fr Alex H: Revd Joshua Peckett

NOTICES

Playtime

Playtime starts again on Friday 9 September at 9.30 am. We look forward to seeing old friends and new. Philippa.

'Mirfield Family' Walsingham Pilgrimage

(very!) advance notice - Monday 18 to Friday 22 September 2023

Each year there is a pilgrimage to Walsingham for the wider 'Mirfield Family' – Companions, Society members, former students, friends, parishioners, and anyone with a connection to Mirfield, really! We have the opportunity to stay for four nights, full board, which last time was £76 per night, but may well be a little higher next year. We will need to drive down (a journey of about four hours) and back, but we can share lifts if some are willing to drive that distance.

We'll have more details in the early part of next year, but if anyone would like to express an interest in the pilgrimage now, please let Fr Alex know. We will look to confirm things and take deposits before the end of this year.

<u>Election of Churchwarden</u> <u>in church on Sunday, September 11 at 10.45 am</u>

At the last APCM we only elected one churchwarden, Alison Stretton. Happily Anne Eaton has offered her services to St Margaret's as a warden and as such we must formally elect her into the role. This election will take place in church prior to the 10.45 am service on Sunday, September 11th. If anyone else would like to stand for election of churchwarden, please contact the PCC Secretary Bethany Harrison at beffyh@aol.com

<u>Dedication Festival – Sunday 11 September</u>

On Sunday 11 September we celebrate the 143rd anniversary of the dedication of St Margaret's church, with our usual round of services. We will be serving drinks in the hall after the 10.45 am – please do join us and celebrate our beautiful building and our community of faith.

Green high altar frontal and vestments

Thanks to a bequest from the estate of the late Anne Kilvington, and in agreement with her family, we are purchasing a new green high altar frontal to replace the plain, worn one currently in use, with matching green vestments that will be used alternately with the existing set. The design has been approved by the PCC, and the proposal is displayed on the notice board within the porch. We hope to dedicate them within the next couple of months.

Volunteer(s) wanted for the Parish Magazine team

With the Parish Magazine back up and running after the pandemic we are now in need of a volunteer (or two) to manage the subscribers list and to liaise with our advertisers. We produce 4 issues each year and our team meets quarterly in the Parish Hall meeting room. Our next meeting, to plan the Christmas issue, takes place on Tuesday 27th September at 10.00 am. If you would like to become part of the team or explore what is involved before deciding, please contact Hayes Williams, Editor, on 01943 601116.

DIARY DATES

Lunch Club Thursday, September 15th at 12.30 pm

The next lunch club takes place on Thursday, September 15th. The cost will be £7.00 for the meal and £2.00 for a glass of wine. Tickets will be on sale on Sunday, September 4th or people can call Sandy on 01943 603222 to book a place. There will be 42 places on a first come, first serve basis. Arrivals from 12.00 pm with lunch served at 12.30 pm.

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