

12th September 2021 15th Sunday After Trinity Proper 19

St James' Church

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A warm welcome to all, especially those visiting us for the first time. To find out more about St James', please come and chat to us or visit our website. If you would like us to keep in touch with you, please ask for a contact card to leave your details.

Collect

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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.

This Week

Morning Prayer is said at 8.30 am Online: Mon, Wed

In the church: Tue, Thu, Fri

Mon 13th September Luke 7 vv. 1 – 10

John Chrysostom, bishop, teacher of the faith, 407

7.00 pm Singers' rehearsal

Tue 14th September John 3 vv. 13 – 17

Holy Cross Day

Fr Steve: Curate training day

Wed 15th September Luke 7 vv. 31 − 55

Cyprian, bishop, martyr, 258 12.00 noon Holy Communion

Thu 16th September Luke 7 vv. 36 – 50 Ninian, bishop, apostle of the Picts c.432 Edward Bouverie Pusey, priest, 1882

Fri 17th September Luke 8 vv. 1 – 3

Hildegard, abbess, visionary, 1179 2.00 pm Craft group in the hall

Sat 18th **September** Luke 8 vv. 4 – 15

Next Sunday: 19th September 16th Sunday After Trinity

Mark 9 vv. 30 – 37

8.00 am Holy Communion 9.45 am JAM in the hall 10.00 am Parish Eucharist 6.00 pm Evening Worship

10.00 am Music Music setting: Mass of St Thomas (by David Thorne)

Offertory hymn 608 Take Up Thy Cross, the Saviour Said Recessional hymn 555 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Organ Voluntary Choral Song (by S S Wesley)

Post Communion Prayer

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Reading: Isaiah 50 vv. 4-9a

The servant of the Lord said: The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens — wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Second Reading: James 3 vv. 1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue - a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Gospel Reading: Mark 8 vv. 27-38

lesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' Jesus asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

A FAIR COP: From Climate Crisis To Climate Justice

As world leaders prepare to gather for COP26 climate talks, Devon Development Education hosts five sessions to explore the global dimensions of the climate emergency.

Great Big Green Week event

Monday 20th September, 6.00 pm - 9.00 pm

Climate Change and Trade: The Impact on Farmers in Developing Countries

Monday 4th October, 6.00 pm – 7.30 pm

Climate Change and Food Security

Monday 18th October, 6.00 pm - 7.30 pm

Youth Voices: the Call for a Global Green Deal

Monday Ist November, 6.00 pm - 7.30 pm

A FAIR COP?

Monday 15th November, 6 - 7.30pm

The sessions will be held live at Exeter Community Centre, 17 St David's Hill, EX4 3RG. A Zoom option will also be available. Sign up by email to dde@globalcentredevon.org.uk or at https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/a-fair-cop-tickets-167852187411.



Notices

JAM: Jesus and Me

From this Sunday, our children will once again meet in the hall each week, other than on the first Sunday of the month. Grownups, please arrive in good time, so that you can be in the church before the service begins.

First Aid Training

A first aid course, which will include defibrillator training, will take place in the hall from 9.00 am to 5.30 pm on Saturday 9th October. To book your place at the subsidised rate of £15 per person, speak to Rachel Martindill or phone the parish office!

Climate Focus

St James' Church has committed to working towards the Bronze Eco Church Award. This is a team effort, so please get involved in the focus area that interests you. Please contact Charlotte & Mike Payne with your ideas or join them at coffee after the Parish Eucharist on Sunday 19th September.

All Souls

On Sunday 31st October at 4.00 pm, we remember those who have gone before us. Please e-mail or telephone the parish office if you would like to have a name mentioned at this service.

Fellowship: A Celebration

To mark the end of 60 years of St James' Fellowship, the group has donated a flower stand for the high altar. This generous gift will be blessed at the Parish Eucharist on Sunday 19th September.

Craft Group

This increasingly popular group now meets on the first and third Friday of each month. Come along with your craft work, join in a project, or simply enjoy a chat and a cuppa. One current focus is on donations to the Warm Baby Project; please speak to Sue Pinn if you would like to make a donation, especially of any sheets or duvet covers that you no longer need.

