



26<sup>th</sup> May 2024  
Trinity Sunday

St James' Church  
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### Notices

#### Choral Evensong: Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June

This peaceful, traditional service at the start of the week is an ideal opportunity to invite your friends and neighbours. The service begins at 6.00 pm.

#### Thank You

Many thanks to all who made edible or cash contributions to the Big Cream Tea last Sunday, and especially to the helpers who made the event possible.

#### Collect

*Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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.*

#### Post-Communion Prayer

*Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever.*

10.00 am Music

Processional hymn	273	Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
Offertory hymn	157	Firmly I Believe and Truly
Recessional hymn	673	Thou, Whose Almighty Word

### This Week

Morning Prayer is said at 8.30 am

Online: Mon, Wed

In the church: Tue, Thu, Fri

**Mon 27<sup>th</sup> May** Mark 10: 17 – 27

Public Holiday: No Morning Prayer  
7.00 pm Choir practice

**Tue 28<sup>th</sup> May** Mark 10: 28 – 31

**Wed 29<sup>th</sup> May** Mark 10: 32 – 45  
12.00 noon Eucharist

**Thu 30<sup>th</sup> May** John 6: 51 – 58  
7.00 pm Corpus Christi Parish Eucharist  
followed by refreshments

**Fri 31<sup>st</sup> May** Luke 1: 39 – 49  
10.30 am Coffee Morning  
12.00 noon Funeral of Ann Cousins

**Sat 1<sup>st</sup> June** Mark 11: 27 – 33

### Next Sunday: 2<sup>nd</sup> June

#### First Sunday After Trinity

Mark 2: 22 – 3: 6

8.00 am Holy Communion  
10.00 am Parish Eucharist  
4.00 pm Celebrate Together  
6.00 pm Evening Prayer & Benediction



Sharing God's love through worship, fellowship and service

### First Reading: Isaiah 6: 1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.' The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!' Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

### Second Reading: Romans 8: 12-17

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh – for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ – if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

### Gospel Reading: John 3: 1-17

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

