

The Parish Church of
St Mary the Virgin, Great Shelford



Charity No: 245456

Sunday 23rd July, 2017 – The Sixth Sunday after Trinity
10.00 Parish Communion

Hymns

Opening: 259	Gradual: O God you search me and you know me
Offertory: 494	Communion: 271
Final: Great is thy faithfulness	

Hymn: O God you search me

**1 O God, you search me and you know me,
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.
When I walk or lie down you are before me:
Ever the maker and keeper of my days.**

**2 You know my resting and my rising,
You discern my purpose from afar,
And with love everlasting you besiege me:
In ev'ry moment of life or death, you are.**

**3 Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,
You have known it's meaning through and through.
You are with me beyond my understanding:
God of my present, my past and future too.**

**4 Although your spirit is upon me,
Still I search for shelter from your light.
There is nowhere on earth I can escape you:
Even the darkness is radiant in your sight.**

**5 For you created me and shaped me,
Gave me life within my mother's womb.
For the wonder of who I am, I praise you:
Safe in your hands, all creation is made new.**

Gloria:

**Glory be to God in heaven,
Songs of joy and thanks we bring,
Thankful hearts and voices raising,
To creation's Lord we sing:
Praise him. Praise him, Alleluia,
Glory be to God our King.**

**Lamb of God, who on your shoulders
Bore the weight of this world's sin,
Only Son of God the Father,
You have brought us peace within:
Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy,
Now your glorious reign begin.**

**You, O Son of God, are holy,
You we praise with one accord;
None in heaven or earth is like you,
Only you are Christ the Lord -
With the Father, and the Spirit,
Ever worshipped and adored.**

Words: Edwin Le Grice

Tune: George Martin "St. Helen"

Collect:

**Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we,
loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can
desire; 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**

Sanctus/Benedictus:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

David Thorne

Agnus Dei:

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.**

David Thorne

Hymn: Great is thy faithfulness

**1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God, my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
As thou hast been thou for ever wilt be.**

Refrain

**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed thy hand hath provided,
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.**

**2 Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.**

Refrain

**3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!**

Refrain

8:00 Holy Communion 10:00 Parish Communion

First Reading: Isaiah 44. 6 - 8

Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts: I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. Who is like me? Let them proclaim it, let them declare and set it forth before me. Who has announced from of old the things to come? Let them tell us what is yet to be. Do not fear, or be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? You are my witnesses! Is there any god besides me?

There is no other rock; I know not one.

Second Reading: Romans 8. 12 - 25

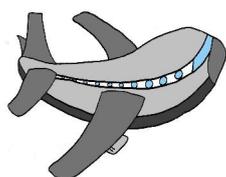
Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive 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. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Gospel: Matthew 13. 24 - 30, 36 - 43

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn." ' Then Jesus left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

Post Communion Prayer:

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



Hello Children Mary Mouse jetted off for a holiday in Italy on Monday. She hopes that you enjoy a happy summer break and looks forward to seeing you again at Sunday Club in September.

We welcome everyone to this church and particularly families and their children. We are all children of God no matter what our age and young children are our future. There are books, colouring sheets and pens provided in the children's corner which they are encouraged to use. If as a member of the congregation you find noise distracting, do please come and sit in the front pews, away from the children's corner.

St Mary's Toddler Group met for the last session of the summer and will not be meeting during the school holiday. They meet again in September.

INTERCESSIONS:

Please refer any pastoral concerns for members of the congregation or members of the local community to any member of the Ministry team including our Co-ordinator for Pastoral Services, Mrs Frances Simms. Please pray for the sick, frail, housebound and those in care. Please let the priest in charge know about all cases of sickness and others for whom we should pray. Intentions left in the loose leaf book at the back of the North Aisle will be offered each week at the Parish Communion, or you can write your prayer intention on one of the tags provided, and hang it on the prayer tree at the back of church.

Cloakroom facilities are available in the Community Room during church services.

Gift Aid Donations: We welcome all donations from visitors and there are Gift Aid envelopes at the back of church. If you pay tax we can reclaim 25p for every pound you donate to the Church at no cost to yourself, if you have completed the declaration on the envelope. For further information, or to join the planned giving scheme, please contact Mrs. Ann Smith, mobile no. 07710 452647; email, jannsmith_2@hotmail.com

ST. MARY'S GREAT SHELFORD – WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Marriage this week: Please remember Leigh Smart & Anita Constant as they celebrate their marriage at St Mary's on Saturday.

Walsingham Day Pilgrimage - Saturday 29th July 2017: Stephen will again be taking a Day Pilgrimage to the Anglican Shrine in Norfolk. There will be a 29 seater coach to Walsingham. It will leave LSM in town at 8:45am and pick up at the Milton Park and Ride at 9:10am. Return will be by 7:30pm, if not earlier. The cost should be £15 - £20, payable on the return journey of the coach. Could anyone wishing to go please notify Stephen beforehand, whether by coach or independent travel, so he knows overall how many to expect from Great Shelford.

Please get in touch with Stephen T: 01223 843859;

Email: fr.stephen.anderson@googlemail.com

The Pilgrim house group: The Pilgrim Group continues for the next week when we meet at Anne's on July 25th.

David & Shirley write: "Dear Friends, Thank you very much for your lovely card for my ordination at Ely Cathedral and for all your prayers for us. We were blessed with a beautiful day, a busy cathedral and an inspiring service. It was a special delight to have with us some members of our Shelford church family including Rev'd Simon and Mrs Talbot, Rev'd Tim Fyffe, Stella Nettleton and Mr and Mrs Doel. We continue to be grateful for your kindness towards us when we arrived as strangers two years ago, and for your continuing prayers for us. We miss Great Shelford Parish Church but trust the Lord to own our ministry at Trumpington over these days. We hope to be in Great Shelford Parish Church when time permits! With prayerful good wishes, David & Shirley"

General Synod: Thank you for your prayers and support over the recent group of sessions and many thanks to Pam Reed for presiding. You will have noted some press reports about the debates and decisions taken, ranging from clergy robes to the high costs involved in obtaining UK citizenship. I will be putting together a brief report for the Diocese over the next few days and will make this available locally in due course.

The Diocese of Ely's new e-newsletter: The Diocese has recently launched a new e-newsletter tool on the Diocesan website. On the 'What's New' page, with this link - <http://www.elydiocese.org/whats-new> – you now have the option to sign-up to the Diocesan e-newsletter. It is planned that this e-newsletter will be sent every two months, presenting news, announcements and key updates to the Diocesan website, making it easier for you to follow what is happening. You will be able to unsubscribe or subscribe at any time, as well as being free to forward the link to anyone who may also be interested in signing-up.

If there is anything in particular you would like to see included in future e-newsletters, please let the Communications Team know by emailing communications@elydiocese.org.

Flowers: If there is anyone who would like to help with the flower arranging in the church, they would be most welcome. We take it in turns and would like to increase the numbers so that we always work with a partner. If this appeals to anybody, please get in touch with Veronica Stower 01223 573392

Finding Quiet: A day in Ely Cathedral finding stillness and silence in a noisy world. Saturday 29th July from 10 - 3 led by the Bishop of Huntingdon. The cost will be £10. Application forms available from receptionist@elycathedral.org or phone 01353 660300.

Alms Giving 2017: The alms on the first Sunday of each month are donated to Shelford School. The alms for the remaining Sundays in July will be going to SSYI. Alms can be gift aided provided your giving is in an envelope marked 'Alms' and with your PIN. Alms not in envelopes should be placed in the alms bowl as you come into church. This stands on the offertory box at the back of church, near the back pew.

Today **18:30 Evensong**

Wednesday 26th July 2017 **09:30 Holy Communion (BCP)**

Saturday 28th July 2017 **14.00 Marriage**
Sunday 30th July, 2017 **08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)**
10.00 Parish Communion
12.00 Baptism
18:30 Evensong

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Applications for baptisms, marriages and the calling of Banns of marriage should be made please to the Parish Administrator

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