

The Parish Church of  
St Mary the Virgin, Great Shelford



Charity No: 245456

Sunday 17th June, 2018 – The Third Sunday after Trinity  
10.00 Parish Communion

**Hymns**

Opening: 477	Gradual: 480
Offertory: 262	Communion: 115
Final: 495	

**Gloria: Hymn 363**

**Collect:**

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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*

**8:00 Holy Communion      10:00 Parish Communion**

**First Reading: Ezekiel 17. 22 – end**

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. All the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD. I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the LORD have spoken; I will accomplish it.

**Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5. 6 - 17**

Brothers and sisters, we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. The love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From

now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view ;even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

### **Gospel: Mark 4. 26 – 34**

Such a large crowd gathered around Jesus that he got into a boat and began to teach them using many parables. Jesus said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.' Jesus also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.' With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

### **Post Communion Prayer:**

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen**



**Hello Children** Where is Mary Mouse hiding today?

**We welcome everyone** to this church and particularly families and their children. We are all children of God no matter what or 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 forward and sit in the front pews, away from the children's corner.

**Sunday Club** meets on the first Sunday of each month in church then to the community room for a story and activities. For details contact Gillian, [Gillian.pett29@gmail.com](mailto:Gillian.pett29@gmail.com) We are also looking for helpers on an occasional or regular basis.

### **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. If you prefer, you can write your prayer intention on one of the tags provided and hang it on the prayer tree at the back of church, or light a votive candle.

**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 Seaman mobile no. 07710 452647; email [jannsmith\\_2@hotmail.com](mailto:jannsmith_2@hotmail.com)

## **ST. MARY'S GREAT SHELFORD – WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

**A very warm welcome** to The Rev'd Canon Nicholas Thistlethwaite who is presiding at the Parish Communion this morning. Nicholas has recently retired to the area after serving as Precentor at Guildford Cathedral (where I got to know him well). He is no stranger to Cambridge, having been at Selwyn as an undergraduate and serving as chaplain at Gonville & Caius in the 1980's and as Vicar of Trumpington in the 90's.

Nicholas is enabling Monica to make a retreat this weekend and I am covering the Parish Communion at Stapleford.

**Baptism today:** We are celebrating the Baptism of Thomas & Emily Schoenmakers at 12 noon today. Please pray for Thomas & Emily, their parents Erik & Nadia, godparents and family as they prepare for this special celebration.

**Marriage Banns:** Please pray for Rory Barraclough and Carolyn Alsop and Alexander Sell and Megan Stickler, whose Banns are being read from 3<sup>rd</sup> June, as they prepare for their marriages later in the summer.

**The Rev'd Monica Cameron - new appointment:** Last Sunday we were delighted to announce that The Bishop of Rochester has offered Monica the post of Incumbent of the Benefice of Christ Church Erith, which she has accepted. Monica plans to move to Erith in August and her last Sunday here will be 29 July. We will be holding a reception after the Parish Communion so that we can thank Monica and celebrate her time with us.

Monica's collation as incumbent will be on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 3.30pm. The Bishop deliberately chose a Saturday so that anyone who would like to and is able to make the journey can be there to support her. We hope to run a coach to help make that possible.

I am absolutely delighted for Monica and her family. Monica says: "Please continue to pray for me and my family as we prepare to move, as I will continue to pray for everyone here and for the wider community."

**Christian Aid Week Collection:** Thank you to everyone who contributed to this year's collection, which raised a total of £1,360. A very good total and up on last year - well done all!

**The Pilgrim house group:** We shall be meeting as usual on Tuesdays at 7.30pm and continue with our book 'Something More' by John Pritchard.

Anyone is welcome to attend and it does not matter if you do not have a copy of the book as we can share and each week is self-contained.

June 19 Chapter 9 15 Ashen Green

June 26 Chapter 10 52 Hinton Way

July 3 Chapter 11 70 High Street

July 10 No meeting as Feast Week

At our last meeting we tried to think of ways of finding time and silence in our lives, even if only for 10 minutes. This is to allow us just to be, to listen to God and not bring our own agenda. 'Silence is a quiet patient listening that doesn't struggle with distractions'.

'Be still, and know that I am God,' Psalm 46.

Anne Roberts 07745 562702

**Parish copier replacement:** Sincere thanks to all those who responded to the appeal for funds to help with the cost of purchasing the new copier. I am delighted that a total of \*£3,400 has been received\*, half of this from one anonymous donor as promised. This very nearly matches the cost of the copier (just short of £4,000).

**Faculty Notice:** The Faculty notice for the 'laying up' of the local Royal British Legion branch standard in the Lady Chapel is on display in the porch. The details of the proposals are available for inspection at the rear of the church.

**Way of Life:** Sat. 30<sup>th</sup> June 2-4pm - Community Room over tea and cakes

You are invited to join in a discussion to explore ideas about how and when we can meet during the day, once a week, to grow together in fellowship and support each other. If you would like more information, please contact: Priest-in-Charge, Simon Talbott [simon@thetalbotts.co.uk](mailto:simon@thetalbotts.co.uk) or Assistant Curate, Monica Cameron [monicacameron45@gmail.com](mailto:monicacameron45@gmail.com)

**Community Worship for the start of Shelford Feast week - Sun. 8<sup>th</sup> July 10am:** St Mary's and Great Shelford Free Church will gather together in the Feast marquee to host a joint community service for the start of Feast week. The Parish Communion at St Mary's that morning is **cancelled** (other services remain the same that day). The service is **open to all**, so please do come along and bring your friends!

**Shelford Feast:** Please see the local posters / website for the various events taking place every evening during Feast week, starting on Mon. 9<sup>th</sup> July. The Feast itself is on Sun. 15<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds from the Feast all help local causes!

There is a **Quiz Evening on Thurs. 12<sup>th</sup>**: it would be good to put together a team (eight members) from St Mary's, so if you would like to join in, please do let Stella Nettleton know before the evening. Tickets £12 inc. food. Mary Talbott will be coordinating the team on the night (Simon will be attending a meeting of Bishop's Council in Ely!).

St Mary's will be hosting a **Summer Music Concert on Fri. 13<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm**. An evening of relaxing music by Prime Brass. £10 adults incl concessions. Children free. Ticket price includes cheese and wine.

**Alms Giving 2018:** The alms on the first Sunday of each month are donated to Shelford School. The alms for the remaining Sundays in June will be going to USPG. 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.

<b>Today</b>	<b>18:30 Evensong</b>
<b>Wednesday 20th June, 2018</b>	<b>09:30 Holy Communion (BCP)</b>
<b>Sunday 24th June, 2018</b>	<b>08:00 Holy Communion (BCP) 10:00 Parish Communion 18:30 Evensong</b>
<b>Priest in charge: The Rev'd Simon Talbott</b>	<a href="mailto:simon@thetalbotts.co.uk">simon@thetalbotts.co.uk</a> 01223 847068
<b>Assistant Curate: The Rev'd Monica Cameron</b>	<a href="mailto:curate@stmarysgreatshelford.org">curate@stmarysgreatshelford.org</a> 01223 630074
<b>Churchwardens: Mrs. Dianne Fraser</b>	<a href="mailto:diannefraser@outlook.com">diannefraser@outlook.com</a> 01223 562731
<b>Mrs. Stella Nettleton</b>	<a href="mailto:stella.nettleton@btinternet.com">stella.nettleton@btinternet.com</a> 01223 832290
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<b>Mr. Nigel Pett</b>	<a href="mailto:npa.cantab@gmail.com">npa.cantab@gmail.com</a> 01223 843278
<b>Parish Administrator: Mrs. Katharin Page</b>	<a href="mailto:pagekatharin@gmail.com">pagekatharin@gmail.com</a> 07710 518220
<b>Pastoral Services Co-ordinator Mrs. Frances Simms</b>	<a href="mailto:francesjsimms47@gmail.com">francesjsimms47@gmail.com</a> 01223 845895
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Applications for baptisms, marriages and the calling of Banns of marriage should be made please to the Parish Administrator,

**17/06/18**