

The Parish Church of  
St Mary the Virgin, Great Shelford



Charity No: 245456

Sunday 11th August, 2019 - The Eighth Sunday after Trinity  
10:00 Parish Communion

Hymns

Opening: 232	Gradual: 493
Offertory: 339	Communion: 412
Final: Will you come and follow me	

Gloria:

**Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.**

Glory to God in the Highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, Heav'nly King, Almighty God and Father,

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

**Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.**

Lord, Jesus Christ, only son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us:

You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

**Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.**

For you alone are the Holy one, you alone are the Lord,

You alone are the most high, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

In the glory of God the Father.

**Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.** *David Thorne*

Collect:

**Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, 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: Genesis 15. 1 - 6**

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great. 'But Abram said, 'O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the Lord came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' The Lord brought Abraham outside and said, 'Look toward heaven and

count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

**Second Reading: Hebrews 11. 1 - 3, 8 - 16**

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, 'as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.' All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

**Gospel: Luke 12. 32 - 40**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. 'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. 'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

**Post Communion Prayer:**

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever. **Amen**

**Mary Mouse** is enjoying her summer holiday. She hopes that you are having a very happy summer and is looking forward to seeing you again and hearing about your adventures **on 1st September**.

**Hymn: Will you come and follow me?**

**1 Will you come and follow me  
if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know  
and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown,  
will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown  
in you and you in me?**

**2 Will you leave your self behind  
if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind  
and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare  
should your life attract or scare,  
will you let me answer prayer  
in you and you in me?**

**3 Will you let the blinded see  
if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free  
and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean  
and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean  
in you and you in me?**

**4 Will you love the 'you' you hide  
if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside  
and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found  
to reshape the world around  
through my sight and touch  
and sound  
in you and you in me?**

**5 Lord, your summons echoes true  
when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you  
and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go  
where your love and footsteps  
show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow  
in you and you in me.**

*Tune: Kelvingrove*

#### **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 blue Intercessions 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 [juliet.a.seaman@outlook.com](mailto:juliet.a.seaman@outlook.com)

**Donations & Payments by Card:** The PCC has taken delivery of a card payment device which can accept bank and credit cards for donations and payments. If you wish to make your donation by card, please speak to one of the Sidespersons.

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

**Malcolm Nunn RIP:** Malcolm's funeral will take place on Tuesday 20th August at 11. 30 a.m. at the Crematorium, followed by a Memorial Service in church at 1. 00 p.m.

**Cambridge City Foodbank:** The organisers have again expressed their grateful thanks for the donations sent from our parish last week.

**The Pilgrim Group** will not meet formally over the summer period and will restart on September 10th 2019. From Tuesday 30 July to September 3 we shall meet in church at 7.30 pm for 30 min of quiet prayer.

**Joint Vicarage Tea Party:** We will be holding a joint Tea Party in the Vicarage garden (weather permitting; if not in the Community Room!) **today**, from 3-5pm. Please bring and share food, already prepared and plated up; tea will be provided. **Please sign the list** at the back of church if you can bring some food, indicating what you are willing to provide.

This will be a shared event with St Andrew's, Stapleford. Do come along and bring friends and neighbours, to enjoy the garden, meet old friends and make new ones.

**Alms Giving 2019:** The alms on the first Sunday of each month are donated to Shelford School. The alms for the remaining Sundays in August will be going to Mission to Seafarers. 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>08:00 Holy Communion (BCP) 10:00 Parish Communion 18:30 Evensong</b>
<b>Wednesday 14th August, 2019</b>	<b>09:30 Holy Communion (BCP)</b>

**Sunday 18th August, 2019**

**08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)**

**10:00 Parish Communion**

**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.

**11/08/19**