

The Parish Church of  
St Mary the Virgin, Great Shelford



Charity No: 245456

**Sunday 13th September, 2020 - The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity**  
**10:00 Parish Communion**

**Hymn: Praise, my soul, the King of heaven**

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;  
To his feet thy tribute bring.  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
Who like me his praise should sing?  
Praise him! Praise him!  
Praise the everlasting King.
2. Praise him for his grace and favour  
To our fathers in distress;  
Praise him still the same for ever,  
Slow to chide, and swift to bless.  
Praise him! Praise him!  
Glorious in his faithfulness.
3. Father-like, he tends and spares us;  
Well our feeble frame he knows;  
In his hands he gently bears us,  
Rescues us from all our foes.  
Praise him! Praise him!  
Widely as his mercy flows.
4. Angels, help us to adore him;  
Ye behold him face to face;  
Sun and moon, bow down before him;  
Dwellers all in time and space.  
Praise him! Praise him!  
Praise with us the God of grace.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-n\\_BPn5BxH4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-n_BPn5BxH4)

**Hymn: 'Forgive our sins as we forgive'**

1. 'Forgive our sins as we forgive'  
You taught us, Lord, to pray;  
But you alone can grant us grace  
To live the words we say.
2. How can your pardon reach and bless  
The unforgiving heart  
That broods on wrongs, and will not let  
Old bitterness depart?
3. In blazing light your Cross reveals  
The truth we dimly knew,  
How small the debts men owe to us,  
How great our debt to you.
4. Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls,  
And bid resentment cease;  
Then, reconciled to God and man,

Our lives will spread your peace.  
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**Hymn: Make me a channel of your peace**

1. Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there is hatred let me bring your love;  
Where there is injury your pardon, Lord;  
And where there's doubt true faith in you.

*Refrain: Oh, Master grant that I may never seek  
So much to be consoled as to console;  
To be understood as to understand;  
To be loved as to love with all my soul.*

2. Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there's despair in life let me bring hope;  
Where there is darkness, only light;  
And where there's sadness, ever joy. *Refrain*

3. Make me a channel of your peace.  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;  
In giving to all men that we receive;  
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RNagMjn1zXg>

**Hymn: I cannot tell why he, whom angels worship**

1. I cannot tell why he, whom angels worship,  
Should set his love upon the sons of men,  
Or why, as Shepherd, he should seek the wand'ers,  
To bring them back, they know not how or when.  
But this I know, that he was born of Mary,  
When Beth'hem's manger was his only home,  
And that he lived at Nazareth and laboured,  
And so the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is come.
2. I cannot tell how silently he suffered,  
As with his peace he graced this place of tears,  
Or how his heart upon the Cross was broken,  
The crown of pain to three and thirty years.  
But this I know, he heals the broken-hearted,  
And stays our sin, and calms our lurking fear,  
And lifts the burden from the heavy laden,  
For yet the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is here.
3. I cannot tell how he will win the nations,  
How he will claim his earthly heritage,  
How satisfy the needs and aspirations  
Of east and west, of sinner and of sage.  
But this I know, all flesh shall see his glory,  
And he shall reap the harvest he has sown,  
And some glad day his sun shall shine in splendour  
When he the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is known.
4. I cannot tell how all the lands shall worship,  
When, at his bidding, every storm is stilled,  
Or who can say how great the jubilation  
When all the hearts of men with love are filled.  
But this I know, the skies will thrill with rapture,  
And myriad, myriad human voices sing,

And earth to heaven, and heaven to earth, will answer:  
At last the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is King.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zltma-BImM8>

**Collect: Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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**

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

**Gloria:**

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
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.  
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. Amen.**

**First Reading: Genesis 50. 15 - 21**

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, 'What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?' So they approached Joseph, saying, 'Your father gave this instruction before he died, "Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you." Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.' Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, 'We are here as your slaves.' But Joseph said to them, 'Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.' In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

**Second Reading: Romans 14. 1 - 12**

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.' So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

**Gospel: Matthew 18. 21 - 35**

Peter came and said to Jesus, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy seven times. For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should

pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

#### **Sanctus/Benedictus:**

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

#### **Agnus Dei:**

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

#### **Post Communion Prayer:**

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



**Hello Children** Mary Mouse is very happy to see you all back in church again! She is social distancing, so cannot be picked up or touched, but she will be in church every Sunday, see if you can spot her.

**Sunday Club** will not meet until further notice. We will be offering a regular Mary Mouse letter. For details contact Gillian, [gillian.pett29@gmail.com](mailto:gillian.pett29@gmail.com)

#### **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 Vicar know about all cases of sickness and others for whom we should pray.

#### **SUPPORTING OUR CHURCH**

Before the pandemic we were already concerned about the increasing financial deficit we have been facing for several years. Some of our regular expenses, e.g. utilities, have been reduced during lockdown, but ongoing expenses have continued. Additionally the provision of sanitiser products, signage and other purchases connected with providing online services has added costs. Our greatest expense by far is the Ministry Share paid to the Diocese (currently £52,189 pa), which has to be found every month, under all circumstances. We still very much need the support of all our Church members and visitors.

Donations can be made by:

- Parish Giving Scheme (PCC's preferred option)
- Standing Order or Bank transfer
- Donating via the Giving Page on website <https://www.stmarysgreatshelford.org/>
- Traditional envelope donations (posted through the vicarage letterbox, or left in the collection box at the back of church). Please write your PIN on the envelope, if you have one.

To help further, at no cost to yourself, please Gift Aid your donations if you are able. Our Treasurer Pat Brown is happy to assist with any of the above. Contact details: phone 07811 563597 or email: [patbrown2591@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:patbrown2591@yahoo.co.uk) . Thank you very much for all your support.

## ST. MARY'S GREAT SHELFORD - WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

**Health matters:** I am having a routine treatment tomorrow in London and because of the present Covid outbreak I have had to isolate from 7<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> Sept. News of this only came through recently (I have been on a waiting list for a while), so I have had to arrange for Sun. cover at short notice. My thanks to Julie Norris and to Bishop Dagmar who is looking after the 20<sup>th</sup>.

**A very warm welcome** to The Rev'd. Dr. Julie Norris who will be presiding at the morning services today. Julie is making a welcome return visit and I am very grateful for her kind support.

**A warm welcome** if you are visiting us for the first time. Please see the risk assessment on display at the back of church or on our website. A reminder that face masks must be worn at all times during services.

**Evening Prayer:** We have started to offer Evening Prayer according to the Book of Common Prayer in church again; after a trial run on alternate Sundays, it will now be held in church on the first Sunday of each month, at 4pm. On all other Sundays, Evening Prayer will be live via Zoom at 6.30pm. A link will be sent out as usual; please contact Simon if you would like to receive this.

**Wed. Holy Communion celebration:** We shall not be restarting the midweek Holy Communion services until the autumn.

**Cambridge City Foodbank:** The organisers have asked for their thanks to be passed to everyone who contributed to the collection sent from our parish last week. Our next collection will be on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October as part of our Harvest Festival.

**Looking ahead; Harvest Festival and Gift Day - Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October:** A highlight of the autumn is always Harvest Festival and there will be a chance to support local good causes and those in need as part of the celebrations. The weekend also includes an annual **Gift Day**, where we encourage generous financial giving to support the work of the parish church. We are making a special appeal this year in order to help fund new work across the community. Please consider if you could help - we do need to widen our giving support and would welcome your assistance. Helping to support a full time Vicar so that they have the resources necessary to make an impact is a real gift to the wider community. Please respond to our appeal if you can. This is especially important this year as we have suffered reduced income during the suspension of public services.

**Harvest Lunch:** Regrettably we will be unable to have a Harvest Lunch this year, due to the continuing Covid-19 regulations.

**Services on audio and by Zoom:** Now that we can offer public services, we still want to extend our online offering to those who for very good reasons will not yet feel comfortable in attending church. The audio recording of our Sunday service will be on our web site. <http://www.stmarysgreatshelford.org/>

Sincere apologies - a technical issue arose last weekend and the recording failed.



**Daily HOPE:** This is an excellent national Church of England initiative for those who are especially isolated and do not have access to the internet. **Daily HOPE** is a freephone line, available 24 hours a day on **0800 804 8044**. Callers will hear a special greeting from the Archbishop of Canterbury before being able to choose from a range of options, including Prayer During the Day and Night Prayer updated daily, from Common Worship, and a recording of the Church of England's weekly national online service. A section called Hymn Line will also offer callers a small selection of hymns, updated daily. An option entitled 'Hymns We Love', provides a hymn and reflection.

**Nicola's leaving gift:** Some of you may have been puzzled on reading Nicola's thanks for her leaving gift in a previous pew sheet. At the time of her departure we were in lockdown, but she was still on the mailing list for the pew sheet, so it was not practicable to ask for donations towards her gift. We (Simon, Stella, Bob and Pat) felt that the best thing to do under these circumstances was to make the gift from church funds, until such time as we could ask people if they wished to contribute, being certain that many would wish to do so. Now that we are again, thankfully, able to meet in church, that time has arrived; so, could anyone who would like to mark their appreciation of Nicola's immense contribution to our church life and worship in this way, please put their donation in an envelope marked "Nicola's leaving gift", and place it in the collection plate or box, give it to one of the churchwardens, or put it through the vicarage letterbox. If we receive donations exceeding the amount originally given, the rest will of course be sent on to Nicola. Thank you!

**We are delighted to welcome visitors to St Mary's for private prayer and reflection.**

**Sunday 13th September, 2020**      08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)  
10:00 Parish Communion  
18:30 Evening Prayer by Zoom  
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**Wed. Holy Communion**                      Cancelled at present

**Sunday 20th September, 2020**      08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)  
10:00 Parish Communion  
18:30 Evening Prayer by Zoom  
link

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

**Small scale marriages and Baptisms are now permitted under quite strict conditions. Please make contact with the Parish Administrator in the first instance.**    **13/09/20**

