

The Parish Church of
St Mary the Virgin, Great Shelford



Charity No: 245456

Sunday 1st November, 2020 - All Saints Day
10.00 Parish Communion

Opening hymn: For all the saints who from their labours rest

1. For all the saints who from their labours rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confest,
Thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest. *Alleluya!*
2. Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou in the darkness drear their one true Light.
3. O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
And win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.
4. O blest communion! fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
5. And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph-song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
6. The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest:
Sweet is the calm of Paradise the blest.
7. But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The saints triumphant rise in bright array:
The King of glory passes on his way.
8. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. *Alleluya!*

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j_UvXe-of-s

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.**

Collect:

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love

you; 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

First Reading: Revelation 7. 9 - 17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.' Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

Second Reading: 1 John 3. 1 - 3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Gradual hymn: O what their joy and their glory must be (vv. 1,3,4,7)

1. O what their joy and their glory must be,
Those endless sabbaths the blessed ones see!
Crown for the valiant; to weary ones rest;
God shall be all, and in all ever blest.
3. Truly Jerusalem name we that shore,
'Vision of peace,' that brings joy evermore!
Wish and fulfilment can severed be ne'er,
Nor the thing prayed for come short of the prayer.
4. We, where no trouble distraction can bring,
Safely the anthems of Sion shall sing;
While for the grace, Lord, their voices of praise
Thy blessed people shall evermore raise.
7. Low before him with our praises we fall,
Of whom, and in whom, and through whom are all;
Of whom, the Father; and through whom, the Son;
In whom, the Spirit, with these ever One. Amen.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R8RQe7qFqpw>

Gospel: Matthew 5. 1 - 12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. 'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. 'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. 'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. 'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. 'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.'

Offertory hymn: Jerusalem the golden

1. Jerusalem the golden,
With milk and honey blest,
Beneath thy contemplation
Sink heart and voice opprest.
I know not, O I know not,
What social joys are there,
What radiancy of glory,
What light beyond compare.
2. They stand, those halls of Sion,
Conjubilant with song,
And bright with many an angel,
And all the martyr throng;
The Prince is ever in them
The daylight is serene,
The pastures of the blessèd
Are decked in glorious sheen.
3. There is the throne of David,
And there, from care released,
The song of them that triumph,
The shout of them that feast;
And they who, with their leader,
Have conquered in the fight,
For ever and for ever
Are clad in robes of white.
4. O sweet and blessèd country,
Shall I ever see thy face?
O sweet and blessèd country,
Shall I ever win thy grace?
Exult, O dust and ashes!
The Lord shall be thy part:
His only his for ever,
Thou shalt be, and thou art!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-iLvN-R13KE>

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.

Communion hymn: In our day of thanksgiving

1. In our day of thanksgiving one psalm let us offer
For the saints who before us have found their reward;
When the shadow of death fell upon them, we sorrowed,
But now we rejoice that they rest in the Lord.
2. In the morning of life, and at noon, and at even,
He called them away from our worship below;
But not till his love, at the font and the altar,
Had girt them with grace for the way they should go.

3. These stones that have echoed their praises are holy,
And dear is the ground where their feet have once trod;
Yet here they confessed they were strangers and pilgrims,
And still they were seeking the city of God.
4. Sing praise then, for all who here sought and here found him,
Whose journey is ended, whose perils are past:
They believed in the Light; and its glory is round them,
Where the clouds of earth's sorrow are lifted at last.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CxV3fOrCwsQ>

Post Communion Prayer:

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Final hymn: Ye watchers and ye holy ones

1. Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright Seraphs, Cherubim and Thrones,
Raise the glad strain, Alleluya!
Cry out Dominions, Princedoms, Powers,
Virtues, Archangels, Angels' choirs,

Refrain
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya,
Alleluya!
2. O higher than the Cherubim,
More glorious than the Seraphim,
Lead their praises, Alleluya!
Thou Bearer of the eternal Word,
Most gracious, magnify the Lord, *Refrain*
3. Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
Ye Patriarchs and Prophets blest,
Alleluya, Alleluya!
Ye holy Twelve, ye Martyrs strong,
All Saints triumphant, raise the song *Refrain*
4. O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluya, Alleluya!
To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One, *Refrain*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SCnFV591HzU>



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

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. Thank you very much for all your support.

ST. MARY'S GREAT SHELFORD - WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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.

Marriage Banns: Please pray for Robert Westwick and Emma Aherne whose Banns are being read for the first time today as they prepare for their marriage.

Evening Prayer: Our first Sunday evening service today will be the Memorial Service for All Souls tide in church at 6.30pm (see below). For those who for very good reasons do not yet feel comfortable attending church, Evening Prayer on the other Sundays of the month will be by Zoom. A link will be sent out as usual; please contact Simon if you would like to receive this.

All Saints / All Souls Tide: We are celebrating **All Saints Day** today and marking the festival during the morning celebrations of the Eucharist. In the evening at 6.30pm, we shall have a special Memorial Service for **All Souls Tide**, when we will be inviting all those recently bereaved and anyone who would like to remember deceased family and friends. There will be an opportunity to light a candle and the **names of the deceased will be read**. If you would like to have a name read, please add it to the list at the back of church.

Susan Pryor RIP: Susan's funeral will take place on Wed. 4th Nov. at 11.30am, at St Mary's. Susan died in a local care home recently and rather suddenly; the family have a long connection with Gt. Shelford and her father's funeral took place in the parish church in the early 2000s I believe. We remember Susan and her family in our prayers.

Cambridge City Foodbank: Our monthly collection **today, Sunday 1st November**. All donations are appreciated. A list of the foods most urgently needed can be found at the back of church or on the Foodbank website. You can also donate money directly to the Foodbank, the details of how to do so are on the Cambridge City Foodbank website. <https://cambridgecity.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

Christmas Cards: In the past, St Mary's held many events to support the work of the Children's Society. Though we are now unable to fund raise in the same way for them, it would be good if we could at least sell a few Christmas cards. Please look at this year's selection on the poster near the 'inside' notice boards. I will be pleased to receive orders. Many thanks, Dorothy

.How can we do Social Media well?: Youthinc invites parents and young people to explore the challenges of social media in a rapidly changing world. Jim and Hannah Overton, leaders of Cambridge & District Youth for Christ, will be hosting a discussion alongside Sam Graham (our local Youthinc Church youth leader).

Please email youthincams@gmail.com or *.your contact details* for the ZOOM link to join us online from 7-8pm Friday November 6th.

YOUTHINC is a charity linking families and young people and churches in south cambridgeshire

Remembrance Sunday 2020: The Great Shelford Remembrance Service will be held at Great Shelford Free Church this year (shared with St Mary's - no 10am Parish Communion at St Mary's) on Sunday 8th November at 10 am. Further details about attending the service are on Free Church pages.

Instead of the usual public gathering at the War Memorial you can follow this part of the morning by a live Zoom feed (the link is available from Great Shelford Free Church or The Vicarage). A small group of people will be reading of the names of the Fallen, keeping the Silence and laying wreaths on behalf of the community.

Armistice Day Commemoration: 11.11.11: There will be a brief service to mark Armistice Day on Wed. 11th Nov. at 10.55am on War Memorial Green in Great Shelford. Again, this will not be a public event this year.

Hon. Canon of Ely Cathedral: A reminder I will be collated and installed as an Hon. Canon of the Cathedral during Choral Evensong on Mon 9th Nov at 5.30pm. It is a public service, so if anyone would like to be present, I would welcome your support.

Cambridge Month of Accompanied Prayer, November 2020:

Once again the team are offering an opportunity for people to be accompanied once a week by a trained guide in November 2020. Most days and evenings will be possible, to suit you. Due to the pandemic these 'meetings' will be on a virtual platform or by telephone. There will be no charge for participation. We will need to limit the number of participants to 20. Sadly, this year we will be without Sr Anna Hawke who died earlier in the year but we are very keen to continue with the work about which she was so enthusiastic.

An introductory session will be held on Zoom on Sunday 1 November, All Saints Day, at 3pm, followed by the chance to meet with your guide and arrange a mutually convenient time of day.

If you are interested, please email (or ring) for more details and an application form –

Kay Dodsworth: ekdodsworth@gmail.com; 01223 234493 or 07786910406.

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A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers



CONNECTIONS

provides a hymn and reflection.

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',

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

Sunday 1st November, 2020

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00 Parish Communion
18.30 Annual All Souls Service

Sunday 8th November, 2020

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00 Village Remembrance Service (Gt Shelford Free Church)
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. **01/11/20**