Sunday 29th August, 2021 - The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity
10:00 Parish Communion

Opening hymn: All my hope on God is founded

1. All my hope on God is founded;
   He doth still my trust renew,
   Me through change and chance he guideth,
   Only good and only true.
   God unknown,
   He alone
   Calls my heart to be his own.

2. Pride of man and earthly glory,
   Sword and crown betray his trust;
   What with care and toil he buildeth,
   Tower and temple, fall to dust
   But God's power,
   Hour by hour,
   Is my temple and my tower.

3. God's great goodness aye endureth,
   Deep his wisdom, passing thought:
   Splendour, light and life attend him,
   Beauty springeth out of naught.
   Evermore
   From his store
   New-born worlds rise and adore.

4. Daily doth th'Almighty giver
   Bounteous gifts on us bestow;
   His desire our soul delighteth,
   Pleasure leads us where we go.
   Love doth stand
   At his hand;
   Joy doth wait on his command.

5. Still from man to God eternal
   Sacrifice of praise be done,
   High above all praises praising
   For the gift of Christ his Son.
   Christ doth call
   One and all:
   Ye who follow shall not fall.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_WH1QlNoiCM>

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 God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

**First Reading: Deuteronomy 4. 1 - 2, 6 - 9**
Moses spoke to the people; he said: So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you. You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!' For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

**Second Reading: James 1. 17 - 27**
Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

**Gradual hymn: Blest are the pure in heart**

1. **Blest are the pure in heart,**
   For they shall see our God,
   The secret of the Lord is theirs,
   Their soul is Christ's abode.

2. **The Lord, who left the heavens**
   Our life and peace to bring,
   To dwell in lowliness with men,
   Their pattern and their King;

3. **Still to the lowly soul**
   He doth himself impart,
   And for his dwelling and his throne
   Chooseth the pure in heart.
4. Lord, we thy presence seek;  
May ours this blessing be;  
Give us a pure and lowly heart,  
A temple meet for thee.  

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z8h3fvk9wGY&list=RDZ8h3fvk9wGY&start

Gospel: Mark 7. 1 - 8, 14 - 15, 21 - 23
When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, ‘Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?’ Jesus said to them, ‘Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, “This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.” You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.’ Then he called the crowd again and said to them, ‘Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.’ For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.’

Offertory hymn: Take my life and let it be
1 Take my life, and let it be consecrated Lord, to thee,  
Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise  
2 Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love;  
Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.  
3 Take my voice, and let me sing always only for my King;  
Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from thee.  
4 Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold;  
Take my intellect, and use ev’ry power as thou shalt choose.  
5 Take my will, and make it thine it shall be no longer mine;  
Take my heart it is thine own it shall be thy royal throne.  
6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure -store;  
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.  

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.  

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.  

Communion hymn: When I survey the wondrous Cross
1. When I survey the wondrous Cross,  
On which the Prince of glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss,  
And pour contempt on all my pride.
2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
   Save in the death of Christ my God;
   All the vain things that charm me most,
   I sacrifice them to his blood.

3. See from his head, his hands, his feet,
   Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
   Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
   Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4. His dying crimson like a robe,
   Spreads o'er his body on the Tree,
   Then am I dead to all the globe,
   And all the globe is dead to me.

5. Were the whole realm of nature mine,
   That were a present far too small;
   Love so amazing, so divine,
   Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Post Communion Prayer:
God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Final hymn:  O God, our help in ages past

1. O God, our help in ages past,
   Our hope for years to come,
   Our shelter from the stormy blast,
   And our eternal home;

2. Under the shadow of thy throne
   Thy saints have dwelt secure;
   Sufficient is thine arm alone,
   And our defence is sure.

3. Before the hills in order stood,
   Or earth received her frame,
   From everlasting thou art God,
   To everlasting years the same.

4. A thousand ages in thy sight
   Are like an evening gone,
   Short as the watch that ends the night
   Before the rising sun.

5. Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
   Bears all its sons away;
   They fly forgotten, as a dream
   Dies at the opening day.

6. O God, our help in ages past,
   Our hope for years to come,
   Be thou our guard while troubles last,
   And our eternal home.

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
Dear Friends,

As you may by now be aware, even before the pandemic we were concerned about the increasing financial deficit we have been facing for several years. The PCC has now, regretfully, decided (in consultation with the Diocese) to reduce our regular Ministry Share contribution by 50%, to £26,895 this year, in order to halt the ongoing drain on our reserves. This will balance the 2021 budget, but without a substantial increase in income we may well face the same decision in future years, or the money will run out. This decision has not been taken lightly, as it has serious implications for the future life of the parish; Ministry Share goes towards the costs of stipendiary ministry, and failure to meet our Share in full, as well as passing an additional financial burden on to the other parishes in the Deanery, will impact on the provision of a full-time vicar in Great Shelford after Simon’s retirement. We would welcome any additional Stewardship support to enable us to meet the full Share asked for by the Diocese, in this and future years, in order to maintain a stipendiary vicar. 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

Covid Precautions: The PCC has decided to keep in place our protocols for Sunday services for the time being (face masks and social distancing). Although we have no power to enforce this, we hope that you will agree to co-operate for the sake of others. It is clear that we may be in the midst of a ‘third wave’ of Covid, so we still need to exercise caution.

Baptisms today: We have two Baptisms today - Please pray for Oliver Archdeacon, his parents Sam and Rebecca and godparents as they celebrate this special occasion at 12noon. Please also pray for Oliver Maslin, his parents Douglas and Camillia and godparents as they celebrate this special occasion at 2pm.

Evening Worship today: By Zoom starting at 6.30pm. If you would like to participate, please contact Simon who will forward the link.

Cambridge City Foodbank: Our monthly collection will be made next Sunday, 5th September. A list of the foods most urgently needed can be found at the back of church or on the Foodbank website. https://cambridgecity.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/

The Pilgrim house group: We plan to restart our house group in September and carry on with our book ‘Thy Kingdom Come’ by Stephen Cherry. We move on to chapter 19 and the next line of the Lord's Prayer which is ‘And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.’ Our dates will be 7, 14, 21, and 28 September. We have not yet decided on a venue and if we meet in person or on Zoom. This will be confirmed nearer the time. These details will be emailed round once confirmed. Everyone is very welcome to attend.

Please contact Anne on 07745562702 or by email with any questions.

Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust - Ride, Drive or Stride Day Returns! - Sat. 11th September: A sponsored event (details on the website: https://camhct.uk/ ) in aid of the Trust which gives grants to historic churches across the county. The idea is to visit as many open churches in the day as possible - an enjoyable day out which helps to assist churches like our own.
St. Mary's Sunday Club: Delighted to announce that Sunday Club begins again in Sept. (usually on the first Sunday of every month) during the 10am service, with a story and activities for children of all ages. Most other Sundays there will be an activity for children during the service. Contact: gillian.pett29@gmail.com. Helpers are welcome! Please note: Sunday Club restarts on Sunday 5th September. Meet in Church at 10am. We look forward to seeing families back in Church!

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.

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

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10:00 Parish Communion
18:30 Evening Prayer (by Zoom link)

Sunday 5th September, 2021
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18.30 Evening Prayer (BCP)

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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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