

The Parish Church of
St Mary the Virgin, Great Shelford



Charity No: 245456

Sunday 21st November, 2021 - Christ the King
10:00 Parish Communion

Opening hymn: 443 Rejoice, the Lord is King

1. Rejoice, the Lord is King,
Your Lord and King adore;
Mortals, give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore:
*Refrain: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*
2. Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When he had purged our stains,
He took his seat above: *Refrain*
3. His kingdom cannot fail;
He rules o'er earth and heaven;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus given: *Refrain*
4. He sits at God's right hand
Till all his foes submit,
And bow to his command,
And fall beneath his feet: *Refrain*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AhEUCSzaU8M>

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:

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

First Reading: Daniel 7. 9 - 10, 13 - 14

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A

stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousand served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgement, and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

Second Reading: Revelation 1. 4b - 8

Grace to you and peace from God who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Gradual hymn: 114 Now is eternal life

- 1 **Now is eternal life, if risen with Christ we stand,
In him to life reborn, and holden in his hand;
No more we fear death's ancient dread,
In Christ arisen from the dead.**
- 2 **For God, the living God, stooped down to man's estate;
By death destroying death, Christ opened wide life's gate:
He lives, who died; he reigns on high;
Who loves in him shall never die.**
- 3 **Unfathomed love divine, reign thou within my heart;
From thee nor depth nor height, nor life nor death can part;
Our life is hid with God in thee,
Now and through all eternity.**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kwqi-jr2RNE>

Gospel: John 18. 33b - 37

Pilate asked Jesus, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

Offertory hymn: 352 Crown him with many crowns

1. **Crown him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own:
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.**
2. **Crown him the Virgin's Son,
The God incarnate born,
Whose arm those crimson trophies won
Which now his brow adorn:
Fruit of the mystic Rose,
As of that Rose the Stem;
The Root whence mercy ever flows,
The Babe of Bethlehem.**

3. **Crown him the Lord of love!**
Behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds yet visible above
In beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye
At mysteries so bright.
4. **Crown him the Lord of peace,**
Whose power a sceptre sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,
Absorbed in prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end,
And round his pierced feet
Fair flowers of Paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.
5. **Crown him the Lord of years,**
The Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres,
Ineffably sublime.
Glassed in a sea of light,
Where everlasting waves
Reflect his throne - the Infinite!
Who lives and loves - and saves.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FiJYqC_6AFc

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*

Communion hymn: 282 Faithful Shepherd, feed me

1. **Faithful Shepherd, feed me**
In the pastures green;
Faithful Shepherd, lead me
Where thy steps are seen.
2. **Hold me fast, and guide me**
In the narrow way;
So, with thee beside me,
I shall never stray.
3. **Daily bring me nearer**
To the heavenly shore;
May my faith grow clearer,
May I love thee more.
4. **Hallow every pleasure,**
Every gift and pain;
Be thyself my treasure,
Though none else I gain.

5. **Day by day prepare me
As thou seest best,
Then let angels bear me
To thy promised rest.**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fM3THYOsBzk>

Post Communion Prayer:

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Final hymn: 500 Thy kingdom come! on bended knee

1. **Thy kingdom come! on bended knee
The passing ages pray;
And faithful souls have yearned to see
On earth that kingdom's day.**
2. **But the slow watches of the night
Not less to God belong;
And for the everlasting right
The silent stars are strong.**
3. **And lo, already on the hills
The flags of dawn appear;
Gird up your loins, ye prophet souls,
Proclaim the day is near:**
4. **The day in whose clear-shining light
All wrong shall stand revealed,
When justice shall be throned in might,
And every hurt be healed;**
5. **When knowledge, hand in hand with peace,
Shall walk the earth abroad:
The day of perfect righteousness,
The promised day of God.**

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

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.

Marriage Banns: Please pray for Teggy Ramsey and Jenny Webb, whose Banns are being read for the third time today, as they prepare for their marriage at St. Mary's on 4th December.

Please pray also for Charles Sharpe and Rutendo Mapeta, whose Banns are being read for the third time today, as they prepare for their marriage at Pampisford on 18th December.

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

Mary Mills RIP: Mary died in the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Kings Lynn on 27^h Oct. aged 90. Mary lived in Trumpington and her daughter, Lynda, lives here in Gt Shelford. We give thanks for Mary's life and pray for Lynda and the family at this time. Mary's funeral will take place at Cam Valley Crematorium On Wed. 24th Nov at 12 noon

POSADA Making room for JESUS this Christmas

What is Posada? Posada is an old Mexican tradition where young people dressed as Mary and Joseph travelled from house to house asking for a room for the night and telling people about the imminent arrival of Jesus in the weeks leading up to Christmas. We are using nativity figures of Mary, Joseph and the donkey who will travel from home to home during December.

What is involved? All you need to do is add your name to the Journey Rota, which you will find at the back of the church, for a night that will suit you to 'host' Mary & Joseph. For the evening you 'host' Mary & Joseph you can choose to do what ever you like. Why not invite friends and family to sing carols and to talk about the meaning of Christmas? The next day you need to take Mary & Joseph to the next host on the Journey Rota. We will also be collecting for the charity Shelter so please give generously. Please make sure you have added your details on the Journey Rota by **November 26th**. We hope you will enjoy taking part.

The Pilgrim house group: The house group has now finished studying 'Thy Will Be Done' and had a very useful discussion about those very words. A powerful line, intimately known to Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane. That we should aim to be at one with God, and that through us, with compassion, dignity and positivity we should enable God's intentions, and allow 'Thy will be done'.

The Advent Course - Everyone is warmly invited to our meetings at 1pm on Tuesdays for the next four weeks in the Community Room. Each meeting is self contained so no need to attend all four meetings. Do drop in out as you can manage. Please bring a bible. Do hope you can join us. Meetings last 1 hour and we finish with prayer.

23 November Advent Led by Anne

30 November Advent Led by Julie

7 December Advent Led by Anne

14 December Advent Led by Julie

Playscape Official Opening: Hosted by Shelford School PTA on Sat. 27th Nov., 4 - 6pm at Playscape & the Pavilion, Gt Shelford Rec. Beautifully lit up for a magical play time, Christmas music and side shows to get you in the festive spirit. Mulled wine and hot chocolate will be available, plus the school's legendary Rainbow hamper raffle. All proceeds go to the school. Not to be missed!

Deanery Advent event on Sat 4th December 2-5pm: This is a joint Deanery project exploring Advent in different ways through art, worship, prayer, reflection and biblical discussion. Everyone will need to register so

that we can allocate them to a workshop/session. Tickets are free and open to anyone. They can be booked on <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/advent-workshop-tickets-208813265097>

Annual Toy Collection: Our annual toy collection for the Salvation Army will be on Sunday, 5th Dec. If toys are wrapped please - label by age group, boy/girl.

Christmas Concert: The Friends of Great Shelford Parish Church invite you to an evening with The City of Cambridge Brass Band, Friday 10 December at 7.30 pm here in the church. The Band has compiled a programme of festive music for all the family. The Concert will help raise funds for refurbishment at the back of the church. Tickets: Adults £15, Accompanied Children free. Available from Bob Doel (843946) or at the door.

Art Exhibition at St Mary's - Sat. 11th and Sun. 12th Dec. Talk by artist Rick Nelms at 4pm on Saturday 11th. Rick Nelms is a botanist and an artist. He also has Motor Neuron Disease. Unable to paint with a brush he produces the most amazing and detailed computer painted pictures. Many of these express his love of biodiversity, all of them are inspired by his faith. Before and after the talk there will be a sale of prints of some of his pictures, which make beautiful and unusual Christmas gifts.



A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers



CONNECTIONS

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.

Sunday 21st November, 2021

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00 Parish Communion
18:30 Evening Prayer (by Zoom link)

Sunday 28th November, 2021

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00 Parish Communion
18.30 Advent Reflection (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.

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