

The Parish Church of  
St Mary the Virgin, Great Shelford



Charity No: 245456

Sunday 18th September, 2022 - The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity  
10:00 Parish Communion

Opening hymn 468: Through the night of doubt and sorrow

1. Through the night of doubt and sorrow  
Onward goes the pilgrim band,  
Singing songs of expectation.  
Marching to the Promised Land.
2. Clear before us through the darkness  
Gleams and burns the guiding light;  
Brother clasps the hand of brother,  
Stepping fearless through the night.
3. One the light of God's own presence  
O'er his ransomed people shed,  
Chasing far the gloom and terror,  
Brightening all the path we tread;
4. One the object of our journey,  
One the faith which never tires,  
One the earnest looking forward,  
One the hope our God inspires:
5. One the strain that lips of thousands  
Lift as from the heart of one;  
One the conflict, one the peril,  
One the march in God begun;
6. One the gladness of rejoicing  
On the far eternal shore,  
Where the One Almighty Father  
Reigns in love for evermore. William Blake 1757-1827

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DP4V4MwdDkU>

**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:**

**Merciful Father and Lord of all life, we praise you that we are made in your image and reflect your truth and light. We thank you for the life of our late Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth, for the love she received from you and showed among us. Above all, we rejoice at your gracious promise to all your servants, living and departed, that we shall rise again at the coming of Christ. And we ask that in due time we may share with your servant Elizabeth that clearer vision promised to us in the same Christ our Lord; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen**

**First Reading: Lamentations 3. 22-26, 31-33**

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. 'The Lord is my portion,' says my soul, 'therefore I will hope in him.' The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. For the Lord will not reject for ever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

**Second Reading: The Second letter of Paul to the Corinthians 4. 16 - 5.4**

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling— if indeed, when we have taken it off we will not be found naked. For while we are still in this tent, we groan under our burden, because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life.

**Gradual hymn 406: Lord, teach us how to pray aright**

1. **Lord, teach us how to pray aright  
With reverence and with fear;  
Though dust and ashes in thy sight,  
We may, we must draw near.**
2. **We perish if we cease from prayer;  
O grant us power to pray;  
And when to meet thee we prepare  
Lord, meet us by the way.**
3. **God of all grace, we come to thee  
With broken contrite hearts;  
Give, what thine eye delights to see,  
Truth in the inward parts;**
4. **Faith in the only sacrifice  
That can for sin atone;  
To cast our hopes, to fix our eyes,  
On Christ, on Christ alone;**
5. **Patience to watch, and wait, and weep,  
Though mercy long delay;  
Courage our fainting souls to keep,  
And trust thee though thou slay.**
6. **Give these, and then thy will be done;  
Thus, strengthened with all might,  
We, through thy Spirit and thy Son,  
Shall pray, and pray aright.** *James Montgomery 1771-1854*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tSrfJ9WUQik>

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia,

'It is the will of him who sent me', says the Lord, 'that I should lose none of all that he has given me, but raise them up on the last day'.

## **Alleluia**

Here is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

## **Glory to you, O Lord.**

### **Gospel: John 6. 35 - 40**

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

## **Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **Offertory hymn 368: Guide me, O thou great Redeemer**

- 1 **Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,  
Pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty,  
Hold me with thy powerful hand:  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
Feed me till I want no more,  
Feed me till I want no more.**
- 2 **Open now the crystal fountain  
Whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through:  
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,  
Be thou still my strength and shield,  
Be thou still my strength and shield.**
- 3 **When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death, and hell's Destruction  
Land me safe on Canaan's side:  
Songs of praises, songs of praises  
I will ever give to thee,  
I will ever give to thee.**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5j48TLIRb4Q>

### **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 358: Father of heaven, whose love profound**

1. **Father of heaven, whose love profound  
A ransom for our souls hath found,  
Before thy throne we sinners bend:  
To us thy pardoning love extend.**
2. **Almighty Son, incarnate Word,  
Our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord,  
Before thy throne we sinners bend:  
To us thy saving grace extend.**
3. **Eternal Spirit, by whose breath  
The soul is raised from sin and death,  
Before thy throne we sinners bend:  
To us thy quickening power extend.**
4. **Thrice Holy! Father, Spirit, Son,  
Mysterious Godhead, Three in One,  
Before thy throne we sinners bend:  
Grace, pardon, life to us extend. Amen.** *Edward Cooper 1770 - 1833*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ox28L9W-4cY>

### **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**

### **Final hymn: Lord, for the years**

1. **Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,  
Urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,  
Sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:  
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.**
2. **Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,  
Speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,  
Teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:  
Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.**
3. **Lord, for our land in this our generation,  
Spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care:  
For young and old, for commonwealth and nation,  
Lord, of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.**
4. **Lord, for our world; when we disown and doubt you,  
Loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,  
Hungry and helpless, lost indeed without you:  
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.**
5. **Lord for ourselves; in living pow'r remake us-  
Self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,  
Past put behind us, for the future take us:  
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cd14v0e1RWU>

## 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, regrettably, 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 future provision of a full-time vicar in Great Shelford. 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. 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

The United Churches and Village

#### COMMEMORATION SERVICE MARKING THE DEATH OF HER LATE MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II at 6pm on Sunday at St Mary the Virgin.

**Young people** will be meeting today at 5pm in the Community Room, though they will not be having a separate service today. Please encourage your young people to come along for tea and cake and a conversation about the Queen and this time.

#### Covid Precautions:

- **Face masks** - the wearing of face masks is no longer compulsory, but is recommended in crowded spaces and when moving around the church.
- **Lateral flow testing** - take a simple lateral flow test at home before coming into contact with others.
- **Symptoms** - if you have **any** cold-like symptoms, it would be wise not to attend.

By following these guides we can help ensure that we reduce the risks for others and for ourselves.

#### Evening service by zoom:

Topic: Rosemary Feuell's Zoom Meeting

Time: Sep 18, 2022 06:30 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85159744807?pwd=ZWUxR2FTK1NQWXhoaTZ6anpYYzIKQT09>

Meeting ID: 851 5974 4807

Passcode: 338931

**Julie Norris:** We are delighted that Julie Norris is to become the new Priest of St Mary's! Congratulations Julie. We welcome you in your new role and are looking forward to a new chapter for the church. Julie's collation will be on 29th September, more details to follow.

**Rosey Feuell** will be Licensed as an LLM on Saturday 1st October at 2.30pm.

We are invited to support her in this by coming to the service.

Please pray for her as she prepares.

**Food Box:** The PCC has agreed to place a Food Box in the church porch containing tins and dried produce. This is in recognition that current conditions are making it difficult for some to make funds stretch to pay for food. We hope that those who need food will take it, and others will share what they have. This is to complement the food collection going to the Food Bank.

**The Pilgrim house group:** The Pilgrim house group restarted on 12 September at 2pm in the Community Room, and will meet weekly. This is an informal group of about 10 and we meet to discuss bible passages usually following a book or any teaching material we can find. We plan to discuss Luke's Gospel using the following booklets from the Diocese of Norwich which has been very popular. New members very welcome

Mapping Luke — Diocese of Norwich

A unique way to explore the Gospel of Luke through this set of five bible study maps; perfect for small groups or individual reflection.

Do let me know if you would like a copy- at £2.99 they are a bargain.

We have started off by reviewing some of the unexplored topics from Mark's Gospel for a couple of weeks.

Anne 07745562702

**An Extraordinary General Meeting** of the Shelford and Stapleford Youth Initiative will be held on Tuesday 4th October 2022

Venue: The Youth Centre, Woollards Lane, Great Shelford

Time: 8.00 pm

Changes in regulations governing charities and the growth in the work of SSYI require its organisational structure to change from an Association to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).

To bring about the change a number of resolutions must be passed at the EGM.

For more information contact: [secretary@ssyi.club](mailto:secretary@ssyi.club)

**Support for Ukrainian families:** Charles and Caroline Kingdon were asked by the PCC if there was any help that the group needed to support the Ukrainian families who are staying in Great Shelford. This is the reply... There are a number of things that spring immediately to mind. We need volunteers to help with the clothing collection/sale and help with organising a bike sale. It was suggested last evening that it would be a great idea to have a stall at the Feast. The latter could take many forms e.g., food/information and needs pulling together. Maybe you could see if anyone in St Mary's would like to help take on any of these roles. There is also a Ukrainian church in Peterborough [www.ucc-gb.com/peterborough](http://www.ucc-gb.com/peterborough). It would be absolutely marvellous if someone was willing to take a group of Ukrainians up say once a month. If you can help please contact them at [openarmsgranta@gmail.com](mailto:openarmsgranta@gmail.com).

**Living Ely 2025 Deanery Development Planning Booklets:** There are pocket guides and Summary Guides at the back of the church which we encourage everyone to take and read. Now that we have started to think about our Development Plan, the congregation as a whole can be involved in shaping our future ministry and mission.



A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers



**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 18th September, 2022**

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)  
10:00 Parish Communion  
17:00 Young people meeting  
(in the Community Room)  
18:00 Commemoration Service  
18.30 Evening Prayer by Zoom

**Sunday 25th September, 2022**

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)  
10:00 Parish Communion  
18.30 Evening Prayer by Zoom

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Applications for baptisms, marriages and the calling of Banns of marriage should be made please to the Parish Administrator. **18/09/22**