



ST MARY'S CHURCH, THORPE



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St Mary's is committed to
inclusivity and there is always a
warm welcome for all.



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Sunday 13th September 2020

Fourteenth Sunday of Trinity

Welcome to St Mary's Church, Thorpe. Gluten free wafers are available; please ask one of the Wardens on duty upon arrival.
For use of the Church Hearing Loop, please select T.

TODAY WE USE THE RECYCLABLE SERVICE SHEET

PLEASE PARK IN THE VICARAGE CAR PARK OR
CHURCH APPROACH FOR 8AM & 7PM.

TASIS CAR PARK WILL BE OPEN FROM 9:30AM FOR PERMIT HOLDERS!

8am Eucharist with congregation

Led by Fr Damian. Server: Andy West. Warden & Reader: Susi Thornton. Welcome: Bev Syrad & Margaret Harnden.

10am Parish Eucharist with congregation & online

Procession Let us build a house, where all can dwell
Offertory Stand up! Stand up for Jesus
Communion Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
Recessional God is love: let heaven adore him
Celebrant: Fr Gerard. Preacher: Fr Damian.

Warden: Margaret Roberts. Welcome: Pete & Joan Gruncell.
Vergers: Bridgett & Tony Grove. Readers: Andy West & Bryan Lowe. Gospel: Mtr Jo. Intercessions: Bridgett Grove.

Sermon Notes for today will be available on the website shortly.
Children's Colouring Sheets are available via our weekly mailer –
please contact stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com to sign up.

12noon Holy Baptism - Kylo James Bremner

Led by Fr D. Warden: Barry Huxley. Welcome: Joan & Pete Gruncell.

3pm Knights Templar Service via ZOOM & LIVE on Facebook

Led by Fr Damian. Warden: Barry Huxley. Welcome: Jill Collinson.

7pm Compline with congregation & online

Led by Fr Gerard & Andrew Falconer. Warden: Barry Huxley.
Welcome: Deborah Kidd. Reader: Marianne Herne.
Intercessions: Bryan Lowe.

PLEASE NOTE COVID PROCEDURES APPLY FOR ALL SERVICES

Please come in good time to follow entry procedure: Entrance is via the Rutherwyke Room kitchen/back door. All must wash their hands, wear a face mask* and sign-in (for Test & Trace purposes). Please **do not sing** – you can hum along quietly with your mask on. Keep to social distancing and one-way-system through church at all times. THANK YOU for complying with the rules to KEEP US SAFE.

10am Car Parking for permit holders in TASIS South Campus car park.

ST MARY'S INTERCESSIONS Please remember in your prayers:

The Sick (immediate need): Sam Thornton, John Brittain, Gwyn, Andrea, Andrew Buchanan, Bishop Peter Hancock, Alice Armstrong, Peter Silvester, Stuart Hatch, Pat Joseph, Carol Mason, Sarah Bradshaw, Richard, David Woodward & Kirsty Fuller. **Continuing prayers:** David de Ville, Stephen Coling, Brian O'Kane, David Oldfield, Mark Wardell, Miles Herne, Alice McGonnell, Zoe Reeves, Meryl, Patti, Pat Harnden, Benedict (former Pope) & all struggling with Coronavirus. **General Prayer Requests:** Serina Tatham, all affected by Covid-19, terrorism & natural disasters. Victims & injured in storms, the Aberdeenshire train derailment and Beirut explosion. St Mary's finances & paying our parish share. PCC, Thorpe Primary School & TASIS. Trade negotiations following Brexit. **The Elderly & Infirm:** June, Elaine, Margot, Joan, Jean, Evelyn, Rita, Margaret & Ruth. **The Recently Departed:** Robert Roy Batley, Janet Elizabeth Crocker, Joan Rumsey, Bill Clarke, Roy Harry Dauncy, Sir David Rowe-Ham & Rev. William Scott. **Anniversaries of Death:** Violet E A Cramphorn, Richard Parsons, Kenneth Adwick, Doris Winifred Bundy, Violet De Vere & John Hereward-Rothwell.

DURING THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Monday

HOLY CROSS DAY

10am Morning Worship with Fr Damian;
7pm Sung Festival Eucharist in church with
Fr Gerard (and LIVE on Facebook)

Tuesday

Fr Gerard on leave until 19 September

10am Morning Worship with Fr Damian;

10:30am School Worship via Zoom with Mtr Jo

Wednesday

10am Said Eucharist in church with

Fr Damian

Thursday

10am Morning Worship with Fr Damian

Friday

Fr Damian is off duty;

10am Morning Worship with Mtr Jo

Saturday

Fr Damian is off duty;

10am Morning Worship with Mtr Jo

Daily Worship at 10am & Festivals at 7pm are available
LIVE on Facebook and uploaded later to our website.



Next Sunday – 20th September 2020

Fifteenth Sunday of Trinity

8am Said Eucharist with congregation

10am Sung Eucharist

from St Mary's with congregation present & ONLINE

11:30am Vestry & Annual Parochial Church Meeting

ZOOM details inside the front cover of the APCM booklet.

Only a few seats are available in church for those without internet.

These need to be requested with the Vicar/Wardens in advance!

Please read your APCM booklet and use the questionnaire slips provided – you can return them to Church or email your reply to stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com

7pm Compline with congregation & online

GOVERNMENT CORONAVIRUS CHANGES FROM SEPT 13

The number of people allowed to meet socially is being reduced from 30 to 6 amid a rise in coronavirus cases. **This doesn't impact upon worship/services**, however all meetings with more than 3 households or 6 individuals present must now be conducted virtually including our APCM. The Next Wardens & Deputies full meeting will now be held via Zoom on Wednesday 23rd September at 7am.

MAXIMUM NUMBER AT SERVICES 40 IN CHURCH, 10 IN R/ROOM

Dates for your Diary

NOTICE OF NEXT PCC MEETING

Monday 21st September 7:30pm via Zoom (following the
7pm Said Eucharist in Church and LIVE on Facebook)

EVE OF MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

Monday 28th September, 7pm

Sung Festival Eucharist in church (and LIVE on Facebook)

HARVEST FESTIVAL – Sunday 4th October

We will be collecting dried & canned food for White Lodge Centre.
8am, 10am, 11:30am & 7pm with congregation in church

MOTHER JO'S FIRST MASS – Sunday 11th October (7:30pm)

Following her ordination to the priesthood in the afternoon, Mother Jo Winn-Smith will preside over the Parish Eucharist for the first time in a very special celebration service at 7:30pm. Some tickets will be available for seats in Church or the service can be viewed LIVE on Facebook. More details to follow at the APCM next week.

Gift Aided donations/Collection for Services via <https://www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchThorpe/> click DONATE. Cheques: St Mary's Church Thorpe.

Items for newsletter by 12nn Wednesdays; items for mailer by 12nn Thursdays - all to stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com please.

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.**

FIRST READING

Genesis 50.15–21

A reading from the book of Genesis.

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. This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalms 103.(1–7), 8–13

R The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, [slow to anger and of great kindness].

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits. **R**

He forgives all your sins and heals all your infirmities; He redeems your life from the grave and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness; **R**

He satisfies you with good things, and your youth is renewed like an eagle's. The Lord executes righteousness and judgement for all who are oppressed. He made his ways known to Moses and his works to the children of Israel. **R**

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and of great kindness. He will not always accuse us, nor will he keep his anger for ever. He has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor rewarded us according to our wickedness. **R**

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so is his mercy great upon those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our sins from us. As a father cares for his children, so does the Lord care for those who fear him. **R**

SECOND READING

Romans 14.1–12

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans. 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. This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL

Matthew 18.21–35

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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 would 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.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

HYMN 1 *Marty Haugen b. 1950. GIA Publications 1994*

Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive:
built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground
where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

HYMN 2 *Jean Holloway (b. 1939)*

Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
stand up before his cross,
an instrument of torture inflicting pain and loss;
transformed by his obedience
to God's redeeming plan,
the cross was overpowered
by Christ, both God and man.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
be counted as his own;
his gospel of forgiveness he cannot spread alone.
The love which draws us near him,
he calls us out to share;
he calls us to the margins to be his presence there.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
in faith and hope be strong,
stand firm for right and justice,
opposed to sin and wrong.
Give comfort to the wounded, and care for those in pain,
for Christ, in those who suffer, is crucified again.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
who reigns as King of kings, be ready for the challenge
of faith his kingship brings. He will not force obedience,
he gives to each the choice
to turn from all that's holy, or in his love rejoice.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, give courage to the weak,
be unashamed to praise him be bold his name to speak.
Confront the cross unflinching
Christ's love has set us free;
he conquered death for ever and lives eternally.

HYMN 3 *James Edmeston (1821)*

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
for we have no help but thee;
yet possessing every blessing,
if our God our Father be.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us;
all our weakness thou dost know;
thou didst tread this earth before us;
thou didst feel its keenest woe;
yet unfearing, persevering,
to thy passion thou didst go.

Spirit of our God, descending,
fill our hearts with heavenly joy;
love with every passion blending
pleasure that can never cloy;
thus provided, pardoned, guided,
nothing can our peace destroy.

HYMN 4 *Timothy Rees (1874-1939) alt.*

God is love: let heav'n adore him;
God is love: let earth rejoice;
let creation sing before him,
and exalt him with one voice.
He who laid the earth's foundation,
he who spread the heav'ns above,
he who breath's through all creation,
he is love, eternal Love.

God is love: and he enfoldeth
all the world in one embrace;
with unfailing grasp he holdeth
ev'ry child of ev'ry race.
And when human hearts are breaking
under sorrow's iron rod,
then they find that self-same aching
deep within the heart of God.

God is love: and though with blindness
sin afflicts the human soul,
God's eternal loving-kindness
guides and heals and makes us whole.
Sin and death and hell shall never
o'er us final triumph gain;
God is love, so love for ever
o'er the universe must reign.