

# St German's Church

25 June 2017 - (Ordinary Time 12 - Trinity 2)



Today's gospel is about encouraging us to have faith and hold firm to the presence and promises of God. We hear Jesus say over and over: 'Do not fear'. We pray today for those who are overcome with fear for the present and for what will come.

## Parish Notes:

**Tea and Coffee** in the hall after Mass - please join us.

**PCC Meeting** - There will be a meeting of the Parochial Church Council in the hall on Tuesday 4 July starting with Mass at 6:15pm.

**Mass Times:** Please note that we've added an extra weekday service to Monday evenings - it starts at 6pm.

**Website** - will be currently updating our parish website and Eucharist booklets over the next few weeks. Check out our progress so far. Ideas and opinions are welcome.

**Next Sunday 2 July** - There will be **Benediction at 6pm in St Saviour's** which will be a time of prayer for healing and solace for all those who suffered recently in the Grenfell Tower fire and other tragedies.

**Benediction with Music** in St German's will be on Sunday 16 July at 6pm.

**Thank You** - to Hilary and Peter Lovitt for their hard work on the Memorial Garden and the flower beds. Remember this is an all year job and if anyone could offer an hour or so every month, it would be greatly appreciated. Thanks also to Ron Cox - the eagle is gleaming and has now been renamed 'Ron's Bird'! Thank you also to those who helped with our Spring Clean: lamps washed and are now gleaming, cobwebs removed from high places all thanks to Gary and his scaffolding. Thanks to the Friends of St German's for the new altar kneelers A further thank you to Marisa and her team who put on the wonderful buffet for Father Phelim's Welcome Service.

## Through the week:

### Mon 26:

6pm Mass (St G.)

### Tues 27:

10am Mass (St S.)  
(S. Cyril)

### Wed 28:

10am Mass (St G.)  
(S. Irenaeus)

### Thur 29:

5:45pm Mass (St S.)  
(SS. Peter and Paul)

### Fri 30:

6pm Mass (St S.)

### Sat 1:

11am Mass (St S.)  
(Memorial of BVM)

### Sun 2:

St Saviour:

Sung Mass 9:30;  
Benediction 6pm;

St German:

11 am Sung Mass;

## Keep in touch:

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## READINGS THIS WEEK

Jeremiah 20:10-13;  
Ps 68;  
Romans 5:12-15;  
Matthew 10:26-33

## READINGS NEXT WEEK

Jeremiah 28:5-9;  
Ps 89:8-18;  
Romans 6:3-11;  
Matthew 10:40-42

## PSALM RESPONSE

**In your great love,  
answer me, O God.**

**HYMNS:**

**Hymns Old and New (Blue Hymnal) 82,195, 556 554**

**COLLECT:**

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**JER 20:10-13**

For I hear many whispering: 'Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!' All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. 'Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him.' But the Lord is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonour will never be forgotten. O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

**PSALM:**

**In your great love, answer me, O God.**

But as for me, my prayer is to you, O Lord. At an acceptable time, O God, in the abundance of your steadfast love, answer me. With your faithful help rescue me from sinking in the mire; let me be delivered from my enemies and from the deep waters. **Response**

Do not let the flood sweep over me, or the deep swallow me up, or the Pit close its mouth over me. Answer me, O Lord, for your steadfast love is good; according to your abundant mercy, turn to me. **Response**

Do not hide your face from your servant, for I am in distress—make haste to answer me. Draw near to me, redeem me, set me free because of my enemies. **Response**

**ROMANS 6:1-11:**

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin

might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

**MATTHEW 10:26-33 :**

'So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. 'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.