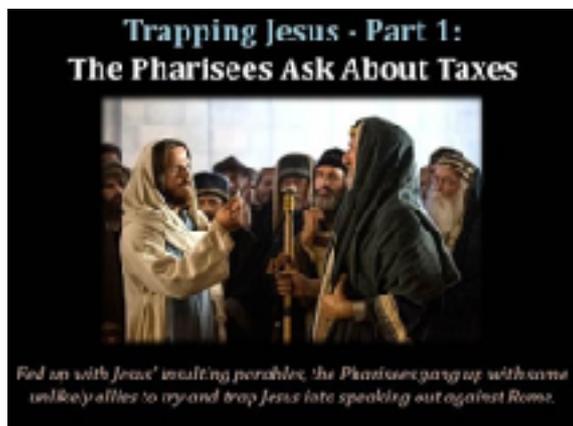


St German's Church

22 October 2017 - (Ordinary Time 29 - Trinity 19)



Today's readings present a contrast between the ways of this world and its rulers and the ways of God's and his reign on earth. Yet, there is also an affirmation that both are needed. Both can help people come closer to God's compassion and mercy. The Pharisees attempts to lead Jesus into speaking sedition fail because Jesus is not interested in overthrowing political kingdoms. He is interested in how people commit to God's Kingdom and how this kingdom is made up of people of faith who choose to place their allegiance and trust in the loving care and mercy of God.

Parish Notes:

Rome Trip Meeting - After mass today when we will look in more detail at the proposed itinerary etc. Final instalments can be handed in then.

Remembrance - During November Christians often remember those who have died and offer lists of departed loved ones to be prayed for. If you would like us to pray for your loved ones please give your list to Fr Phelim. We will remember them all during the Masses on All Souls' Day, Thurs 2nd November at 9:45 in St German's and at 5:45 pm in St Saviour's.

Memorial Garden - Thank you to all those who helped clear and tidy the garden for Autumn. We hope to do this again later in the year.

Bible Sunday - Readings next Sunday are from the Revised Common Lectionary (see below).

Cardiff Churches Nightshelter - information meetings for those interested in helping in this year's NS on Monday 30 Oct in St German's at 7:00pm and in St Saviour's on Tuesday 31 October at 7:00pm. Please let Fr Phelim know if you support this initiative and may be able to help. (see our website for more details).

Parish Lunch for All Saints of Ireland and Wales - There is to be a three-course Parish lunch on Sunday 5 November in celebration of some Celtic saints. There is a list at the back of the church for people to sign if they wish to come.

Baptisms - We welcome into our faith family Joshua and Stefan at 1:30pm. Congratulations also to their mother Kim who was baptised last Wednesday.

PCC - Advance notice that our next PCC meeting is on Monday 13 November after the 6pm mass. The focus of this meeting will be on our mission and outreach.

Recently Departed: Please pray for: Glenys Patricia Black and her family.

Charitable Giving - As a church we raised £220.00 from our Macmillan Coffee Morning and from our Sunday Morning Teas from January to October we have raised £320.00 for our nominated Charity Sight 2020 Direct

This week:

Mon 23:

6pm Mass (St G)

Tues 24:

10am Mass (St S.)

Wed 25:

10am Mass (St G.)

School Mass

Thur 26:

5:45pm Mass (St S.)

Fri 27:

6pm Mass (St S.)

Sat 28:

S. SIMON & JUDE (St S.)

Sun 29:

St Saviour:

Sung Mass 9:30;

St German:

11 am Sung Mass;

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READINGS THIS WEEK

Isa 45:1, 4-6
Ps 96:1+3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10
1 Thess 1:1-5b
Matt 22:15-21

READINGS NEXT WEEK

Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 8-12
Ps 119:9-16
Col 3:12-17
Matt 24:30-35
(from RCL)

PSALM RESPONSE

'Give the Lord glory
and power.' (4vs)

COLLECT:

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you: mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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.**

Hymns: 19 All My Hope on God is Founded, 249 Great is thy Faithfulness, 67 Be Still; 631 Tell Out My Soul

FIRST READING:

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whom he has taken by his right hand to subdue nations before him and strip the loins of kings, to force gateways before him that their gates be closed no more: 'It is for the sake of my servant Jacob, of Israel my chosen one, that I have called you by your name, conferring a title though you do not know me. I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God besides me. Though you do not know me, I arm you that men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun that, apart from me, all is nothing.'

Isaiah 45:1,4-6

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Give the Lord glory and power.

O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
Tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples.

R/

The Lord is great and worthy of praise,
to be feared above all gods;
the gods of the heathens are naught.
It was the Lord who made the heavens.

R/

Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name.
Bring an offering and enter his courts.

R/

Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is King.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness. **R/**
Psalm 96

SECOND READING:

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace.

We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

1 Thess 1:1-5

'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?' But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' They answered, 'The emperor's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.' When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Matthew 22:15-21

GOSPEL:

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying,