

St Mary's Thorpe

A House of Prayer for All



We will **Live** by a rule and rhythm of prayer,
Learn from all generations and
Love the diversity of people welcomed.

Church Family News, week of 6th September

Greetings

With a new term beginning there is much to look forward to. The Church WhatsApp group this is an excellent way to keep in touch with what's going on, to share encouragements and ask questions. To join give your mobile number to Mary in the office. Our Family Club starts up on Sunday at 4pm and after a meeting with parents over the summer we've some great new ideas - including a children's passport, do join us and/ or invite others. There is information this week about Alpha and Confirmation classes for those wanting to explore faith and flyers are out for the Sunset Cafe; please help us with promoting this with friends and neighbours who may be anxious about how they will manage as they get older. It's always helpful talking and listening with others who care, remember nobody is alone, but if we feel forgotten we might need to tell someone - God knows but others may not. **Fr. Stephen**

This week

TODAY 8am Said Holy Communion
10am Sung Holy Communion
4-5.30pm Family Club

Monday from 11am Friendship Group at the Red Lion for anyone who would like to meet other people.

Wednesday 9am – 3pm Parish Office Open
11am Holy Communion - Fr Daniel
Server: Grace Warden: Jill
Welcome: Sharina
Refreshments for all 11.30 -12.30

Thursday 9-11am Noah's Ark

Friday: Father Stephen's day off

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS

Sunday 20th September 10am Harvest Festival Family Service followed by a lunch to celebrate Harvest c12.15/12.30

Please bring a cold contribution - something savoury/ something sweet*

quantity - enough for one (or two if you are coming with someone). *talk to friends - you might want to make a pair or trio and bring enough for two or three.
What to bring? What you enjoy eating is the answer!

Sunday 26th September Baptisms

Tuesday 29th September 'Quiet Day' at St Columba's House Fr. Stephen will be leading a 'Quiet Day' at St Columba's House, Woking, from 10am to 3.30pm. All welcome, see <https://www.stcolumbashouse.org.uk>

15th October -Trip to Painshill Park for Seniors in and around Thorpe. Please contact stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com or ring 01932 567603

Notices

Autumn Alpha Course - exploring faith Thursdays from 24th September. 4.30-6pm (excluding half term). **Note change of time.** If you can't make the afternoons, St Peter's, Chertsey is running the same course on Thursday evenings, 7-9pm office@stpeterschertsey.org.uk

Confirmation

If you would like to refresh your Christian faith and/or consider being Confirmed at a service with Bishop Paul on 1st December, join Fr Stephen for four sessions on Wednesdays from 24th September 12.15-1.30pm at the Vicarage. Please RSVP to Mary in the office.

Sunset Cafe volunteers

From Tuesday 13th October, 2-4pm we shall be hosting a cafe in the Rutherwyke Room at which people are welcome to come and have informal conversations about how to live well during the later seasons of life. Please take a flyer and invite others.

Fr. Stephen is looking for two volunteers to serve tea and cake, if you can help please contact Mary in the office. Thank you.

Top Hymns and Songs Survey

Please return your completed survey to the office or to the back of church. Thank you.

Church Family Service 10am

Sunday 20th September - Harvest
Sunday 18th October - Thanksgiving for the NHS (and Baptism)
Sunday 29th November—Advent Sunday
Sunday 13th December—Family Carols

Tea and Talk second Monday of each month

September 14th when we are very fortunate to have an interesting speaker from TASIS with lots to share with us.

SUNDAY WORSHIP 6th September

Year A

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Creationtide

We gather for worship, welcoming everyone as Christ would, learning from him through the Bible and being spiritually nourished by him through Holy Communion.

Those serving us today are:

8am said Holy Communion

Server: Katerina Warden/Reader: John

10am Sung Holy Communion

Server: Susi Warden: Jenny Welcome: Jean

Reader: Jenny Chalice: Server/Grace

Intercessions: Bridgett

Collect (*prayer for the week*)

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.

HYMNS Today we use the **ORANGE** hymn book

Introit: At the name of Jesus (omit v 3,4) 54

Gradual: Breathe on me breath of God 84

Offertory: Brother, sister let me serve you 88

Communion: Meekness and Majesty 448

Recessional: O worship the king (omit v3, 4, 5) 551

Organist: David Howard

Psalm: 119: 33-40

Response: Give me understanding and I shall keep your law

NT Reading:- Romans 13: 8-14

Gospel: Matthew 18: 15-20

'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

We pray to the Lord

- ♦ For all who have lost their lives, their homes, the injured and traumatised by the floods in Nepal and China
- ♦ For Ukraine, the Middle East, and all suffering from the ravages of war
- ♦ For young people preparing for Universities and Colleges
- ♦ For King Charles and the Royal Family,
- ♦ For those on our Diocesan Calendar of Prayer: The Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria and in our own diocese: Surrey Weald team, local councillors, hospitals and hospices.

For those on our September prayer list: Patricia, Freda, Phil, John B, David, Graham.

For the recently departed.

For those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:

Ron Morton, Ralph Harvey, Kathleen Armitage, Frances Clarke

All are welcome to stay for refreshments in the Rutherwyke Room after the service.

LARGE PRINT SERVICE BOOKLETS are available at the back of church. If needed, please ask the steward on duty.

Activity packs are available for the children

Copies of Fr Stephen's sermons are available
Email: vicar@stmaryschurchthorpe.co.uk

Fr Stephen and others are available to talk or pray with anyone; please just ask.

Bless you this week.

Safeguarding: See it. Hear it. Report it.

Safeguarding is an essential part of our pastoral care. We all have a part to play in helping to keep our community safe. We strive to ensure that safeguarding is a top priority in our church.

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