

Tea/coffee in Church. Please stay.

Fr. Philip is preaching at Mundon, near Maldon Essex at Evensong at 5.00pm in thanksgiving for the restoration of the Church by the Friends of Friendless Churches.

11th September 2022

PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, MENDLESHAM

24th of Year C

This Week: Divine Office – Psalter Week 4

Mon: 9.30 Mass (1 Cor 11 v 17-26,33; Luke 7 v. 1-10)
Int: The dying and work of Hospices.

Tues: **St. John Chrysostom**
9.30 Mass (1 Cor 12 v12-14,27-31; Luke 7v.11-17)
Int: The bereaved
10.30-12.30 Coffee in Church

Wed: Holy Cross Day (Feast)
8.00 Mass (Num 21 v4-9; John 3 v 13-17)
Int: The Society of the Holy Cross (SSC)

Thurs: **Our Lady of Sorrows**
1.30pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
2.30pm Mass, Laying on of hands & anointing for healing.
(1 Cor 15 v 1-11; John 19 v25-27) Int: The sick & Healing Ministry

Fri: **S.S. Cornelius & Cyprian**
9.30 Mass (1 Cor 15 v12-20; Luke 8 v 1-3)
Int: Persecuted Christians

Sat: 10.00am 1st Mass of Sunday (Readings as tomorrow)
Int: Better stewardship of time and money
4.00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Next Sunday –25th of Year C

9.30 Parish Mass & Address
(Amos 8 v. 4-7, I Tim 2 v. 1-8; Luke 16 v. 1-13)
11.30am PCC Lunch & Meeting

NOTICES:

1. Please support our healing service on Tuesday
- 2 PCC members please make every effort to attend.
- 3.List in church for Pilgrimage to Walsingham - Thurs 6th Oct.
4. Anne would be glad to receive sponsorship money asap.

Prayer on the death of HM Queen Elizabeth II

Gracious God, we give thanks for the life of your servant Queen Elizabeth, for her faith and her dedication to duty.

Bless our nation as we mourn her death and may her example continue to inspire us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

And may her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace +

Theme: Jesus came into the world to show weak and sinful people the holiness of God. If we admit our weakness and our need of him, he welcomes us and invites us to eat at his table.

Entrance Hymn: 311 v 1-4

PENITENTIAL RITE:

Celebrant: Forgive us, Lord, when we use other people for our own ends. Lord have mercy. **People:(sing) Kyrie Eleison**

Celebrant: Forgive us, Lord, for the times when our greed for money and possessions comes before our desire for God. Christ have mercy. .
People: Christe Eleison

Celebrant: Forgive us, Lord, for the times we are uncaring about other people. Lord have mercy. **People: Kyrie Eleison**

Celebrant proclaims God's forgiveness

GLORIA Dom Gregory **Gloria**

OPENING PRAYER: *Let us pray that God will keep us faithful in his service. Almighty God, our creator and guide, may we serve you with all our heart and know your forgiveness in our lives.*

LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

First Reading – Exodus 32 v 7-11; 13-14 The people have turned their backs on the God who brought them out of Egypt and have fallen into idolatry, but Moses intercedes for them.

The Lord spoke to Moses, 'Go down now, because your people whom you brought out of Egypt have apostatised. They have been quick to leave the way I marked out for them; they have made themselves a calf of molten metal and have worshipped it and offered it sacrifice. "Here is your God, Israel," they have cried "who brought you up from the land of Egypt!"' the Lord said to Moses, 'I can see how headstrong these people are! Leave me, now, my wrath shall blaze out against them and devour them; of you, however, I will make a great nation.'

But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God. 'Lord,' he said 'why should your wrath blaze out against this people of yours whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with arm outstretched and mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, your servants to whom by your own self you swore and made this promise: "I will make your offspring as many as the stars of heaven, and all this land which I promised I will give to your descendants, and it shall be their heritage for ever."' So the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

Responsorial Psalm : Psalm 50 @ I will leave this place and go to my father.

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.

In your compassion blot out my offence.

O wash me more and more from my guilt

and cleanse me from my sin.

® **I will leave this place and go to my father**

A pure heart create for my, O God,
put a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your
presence
nor deprive me of your holy spirit. ®

O Lord, open my lips
and my mouth shall declare your praise.
My sacrifice is a contrite spirit;
a humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn.®

Second Reading – I Timothy 1 v 12-17 Paul, who experienced the saving mercy of God in his conversion, says that Christ came into the world to save sinners.

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, and who judged me faithful enough to call me into his service even though I used to be a blasphemer and did all I could to injure and discredit the faith. Mercy, however, was shown me, because until I became a believer I had been acting in ignorance; and the grace of our Lord filled me with faith and with the love that is in Christ Jesus. Here is a saying that you can rely on and nobody should doubt: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. I myself am the greatest of them; and if mercy has been shown to me, it is because Jesus Christ meant to make me the greatest evidence of his inexhaustible patience for all the other people who would later have to trust in him to come to eternal life. To the eternal King, the undying, invisible and only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Hymn: 311 v 4 & 5

Alleluia, alleluia! (All) May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

Gospel – Luke 15 v 1-32 The Pharisees looked down on the sinners that Jesus sought out, so he told them these parables to show them that even sinners are precious in God's sight.

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he found it, would he not joyfully take it on his shoulders and then, when he got home, call together his friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," he would say "I have found my sheep that was lost." In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance.

'Or again, what woman with ten drachmas would not, if she lost one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," she would say "I have found the drachma I lost." In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.'

ADDRESS CREED – Nicene (page 7 of Hymn Book)

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: Let us pray that having experienced the love and care of Christ, the Good Shepherd, we may try to be loving and caring towards others.

Reader: Let us pray that we may realise how precious we are as individuals to the Lord and that we may try to be loving towards those with whom we come into contact.

Lord, you are a God of compassion and love. Reveal your love to those who feel their sin has gone too far to be forgiven.

Let us pray for children who have left home and for their parents who suffer in their absence.

May the love of Christ touch the lives of those saddened by war and violence. May it bring to all our lives a deeper awareness of the one God we seek to serve and the one people he wishes us to become in His kingdom. We pray for people of Ukraine.

Open our lives to your healing touch, Lord, and calm the anger and bitterness which can divide and alienate; pour ointment on wounds which time alone will heal and help us to create a future of justice, love and peace.

We pray for King Charles III, the Royal Family and all in this country and the world mourning the loss of our beloved Queen.

Let us pray for all prayed for at shrine prayers and those to be anointed on Thursday. May they turn to Christ who conquered sickness and death. We pray, too, for our parishioners in homes: Margaret Maundrell, Hazel Lockwood, Billy Carter, Cindie Lind and Sheila Sanders.

Father, you promised men a share in your Son's resurrection on the last day: remember those who have gone before us on the way to eternal life, especially HM Queen Elizabeth II (pause while candle lit) and Dorothy Parsons, William Hendry, Pamela van Carrapiett, Sylvia Scott, Jean Yeadsley, Betty Rush Muriel Downie; George Drayson; James Edwards; Charles Kitchen; Maxwell Owen-King; Tony Keeling; Olive Burch and George Davy; whose anniversaries are this week. May the Lord grant them his love and forgiveness.

Let us pray with Mary, mother of the forgiving Jesus. **Hail Mary full of grace the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

S I L E N C E

ALL: God of forgiveness, accept all of the petitions of our hearts and minds. Let us bring to others the gracious love which you always gave to us. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.

Offertory Hymn: 577 v 1 Offertory Prayers Hymn 577v.2-3

Mass continues on p.9 of Hymn Book **SANCTUS** Dom Gregory

Blessed and praised be Jesus Christ, in the most Holy Sacrament. Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in excelsis.

AGNUS DEI Dom Gregory

Hymns at Holy Communion: 19, 189. Please join in.

Hymn at Ablutions: 187 Post Communion Prayer **Angelus** **Blessing**

Recessional Hymn: 184