



Notices for 30th of June 2024

The fifth Sunday after Trinity

*A warm welcome to everyone;
please come into the hall for refreshments after the service.*

Collect:

Almighty God,
send down upon your Church
the riches of your Spirit,
and kindle in all who minister the gospel
your countless gifts of grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hymns:

- 494** King of glory, King of peace
- 347** Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old
- 468** I danced in the morning
- 542** O Love that wilt not let me go
- 453** Great is thy faithfulness

Although there is no formal collection during the offertory hymn, please feel free to make a contribution to the work of St. Mary's either in the Treasury box at the back of church, or using the card reader, also at the back of church. Thank you.

Readings:

2 Corinthians 8.7-15

Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something— now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written,

‘The one who had much did not have too much,
and the one who had little did not have too little.’

Mark 5.21-43

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, ‘My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.’ So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, ‘If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.’ Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus

turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' And his disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?" ' He looked all round to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.'

While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?' But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.' He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, 'Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha cum', which means, 'Little girl, get up!' And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

Post-communion prayer:

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,
that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered
by your governance,
that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Vacancy Notices and Dates

In light of new information which has become available from Archdeacon Martin Breadmore, and with support from Bishop Paul, it is agreed that our plan is now to re-advertise, rather than conduct any interviews at this time.

Bishop Paul has sent a message to the parish, to say he understands that this will be disappointing, but that Cuddington is a very attractive proposition for the right person and we're keen to see you build on the great work that Theresa did and grow even further, so we're setting the bar high! Peter and Dan will now work with the Archdeacon and the Diocesan appointments secretary to confirm the timescale for how this will proceed.

Sharing of the Peace

Following discussion in PCC, and consultation with the area dean, it is agreed that we will evolve our guidance for the exchange of the Peace. Our policy of asking everyone simply to wave was introduced during the Covid pandemic, and we still want to respect social distancing for those who chose to retain this. For now, we are asking everyone to remain in their pews, and to shake hands only where it is mutually agreeable between those sitting next to one another.

8am SERVICES will be held only once a month on the first Sunday of each month. Any questions please talk to Dan or Peter.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 4th July, 6pm, Wake for Neil Bevan - Leatherhead Golf Club. Following the sad news that Neil passed away on 3 June, there is a book of condolences at the back of church in memory of his life of service to our community through the Residents Association.

Enquiries: by 28th June Wendy Leveridge, or cuddingtonra@gmail.com

Sunday 4th August, 6.00 – 7.00pm in church – The Spirituality of Summer – a reflective service. Following on from our 'Exploring Spirituality' sessions, do join us for a service in church as we reflect on how the Spirituality of Summer enables us to draw closer to God in this season of warmth and beauty. ALL WELCOME

Enquiries: Margaret Marsh & Joan Simon

Looking Forward...

Sunday 24th November - Sunday Christmas Homemade Sunday
Also - parish barbecue in September - date to be arranged
additional homemade Sundays - dates to be arranged.

The latest top 5 urgent requirements for the Epsom & Ewell foodbank:
1. Cooking Sauces 2. Long-Life Milk 3. Tea 4. Squash 5. Laundry powder