

## HYMN

To God be the Glory!  
Great things he hath done;  
So loved he the world  
that he gave us his Son;  
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!  
Let the earth hear his voice;  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!  
Let the people rejoice:  
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,  
And give him the glory;  
Great things he hath done.*

O perfect redemption,  
the purchase of blood!  
To ev'ry believer the promise of God;  
the vilest offender who truly believes,  
that moment from Jesus  
a pardon receives.

Great things he hath taught us,  
Great things he hath done,  
And great our rejoicing  
through Jesus the Son;  
But purer, and higher, and greater will be  
Our wonder, our rapture,  
when Jesus we see.

## BLESSING

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**New series of talks:**  
**ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE:**  
**Made for relationships**

**26 June: Friendship**  
**3 July: Parents**  
**10 July: Marriage**  
**17 July: Singleness**  
**24 July: Grandparents, Godparents**  
**31 July: The Greatest Love**

## Weekly Diary

### NO VESTRY TEAS TODAY!

**Weds 22<sup>nd</sup>, am** - Little Lions toddler group. St Mark's  
Contact Edda: eddalindner18@gmail.com

**Fri 24<sup>th</sup> 4-6pm. The Haven.** Bereavement drop-in. St Mark's

**Sun 26<sup>th</sup> 4pm. Forest Church. St Mary's**

**MARION FRANCIS** will be celebrating her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on Sat 9 July, 2-4.30pm and you are invited! Please sign up on the clipboard at the back of church.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of **SUE FLETCHER** will be held on Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> July, at 2pm. All welcome. Please sign up on the clipboard to help plan hospitality.

### AZITA JABBARI

Azita will be joining us as training curate from July. Please pray for her as she prepares for her ordination service on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July. You can pick up her "Ember Card" at the back of church to remind you to pray for her.

Azita's **ordination service** at Christ Church Cathedral will be on Saturday, 2 July, at 2pm. **You are invited** to attend the service! Please note that parking is very difficult in Oxford - use Park and Ride or travel by train. Arrive in good time to make sure you have a seat.

### Let's pray together ...

- For everyone affected by the war in Ukraine and those working for peace. For generosity in welcoming refugees.
- For Finn, Patrick and Thomas and all those being baptised; that they would come to know God's love and good purposes for their lives.
- For the families and friends who have lost loved ones especially the family of Mike Dymott



## Service Sheet

**19<sup>th</sup> June 2022, 10.30am St Mary's**  
**The First Sunday after Trinity**  
**Father's Day**

**Welcome to St Mary's Church!** We are so glad you are here – whether you are in the church building or watching online. If you are here for the first time or visiting, please say hello (in the chat feature online, or to the service leader or a member of the welcome team in church). You can find out more about our church on our website ([www.denhamparish.church](http://www.denhamparish.church)) or Facebook page ([facebook.com/denhamparish.church](https://facebook.com/denhamparish.church)).

*Christoph Lindner, Rector*

## WELCOME

### HYMN

**O God beyond all praising,**

we worship you today,  
And sing the love amazing  
that songs cannot repay;  
for we can only wonder  
at ev'ry gift you send,  
at blessings without number  
and mercies without end:  
we lift our hearts before you  
and wait upon your word,  
we honour and adore you  
our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Saviour,  
accept the love we bring,  
that we who know your favour  
may serve you as our king;  
and whether our tomorrows  
be filled with good or ill,  
we'll triumph through our sorrows  
and rise to bless you still:  
to marvel at your beauty  
and glory in your ways,  
and make a joyful duty  
our sacrifice of praise.

## CONFESSION

**Lord our God, in our sin we have  
avoided your call. Our love for you  
is like a morning cloud, like the dew  
that goes away early. Have mercy  
on us; deliver us from judgement;  
bind up our wounds and revive us;  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

May the God of love and power forgive  
you and free you from your sins, heal  
and strengthen you by his Spirit, and  
raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### **BAPTISM of Finn, Patrick and Thomas Carobene**

Faith is the gift of God to his people.  
In baptism the Lord is adding to our  
number those whom he is calling.

People of God, will you welcome Finn,  
Patrick and Thomas and uphold them in  
their new life?

**With the help of God we will.**

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## Profession of Faith

**We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

## The Baptism

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

**Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ, against sin, the world, and the devil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

## The Welcome

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism: Finn, Patrick and Thomas by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

**We welcome you into the fellowship of faith; we are children of the same heavenly Father; we welcome you.**

## Lighting of the Baptism Candles

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and has given us a place with the saints in light. Finn, Patrick and Thomas, you have received the light of Christ; walk in this light all the days of your life.

**Shine as a light in the world, to the glory of God the Father.**

## **SONG**

**Father God, I wonder** how I managed to exist without the knowledge of your parenthood and your loving care. But now I am your child, I am adopted in your family, and I can never be alone 'cause, Father God, you're there beside me.

*I will sing your praises,  
I will sing your praises,  
I will sing your praises  
for evermore.*

*(Children leave for Sunday Club now)*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS & BANNS**

### **FIRST READING: Gal 3. 23-29**

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

*This is the Word of the Lord.*  
**Thanks be to God**

### **SECOND READING: Luke 8. 26-39**

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me'—for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to

order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

*This is the Word of the Lord.*  
**Thanks be to God**

## **SERMON**

### **SONG**

**In Christ alone my hope is found**  
He is my light, my strength, my song  
This cornerstone this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought  
and storm  
What heights of love,  
what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled,  
when strivings cease  
My comforter, my all in all  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone! – who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones he came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied –  
For every sin on him was laid:  
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground his body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious day  
Up from the grave he rose again!  
And as he stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am his and he is mine –  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from his hand  
Till he returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

## **PRAYERS**

Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Our Father in heaven  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and  
the glory are yours now and for ever.  
Amen.**