



Service Sheet

28th August 2022, 10.30am, St Mary's
The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

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) or Facebook page (facebook.com/denhamparish.church).

WELCOME

HYMN

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want,
He makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by the still, still waters,
His goodness restores my soul.

*And I will trust in You alone,
And I will trust in You alone,
For Your endless mercy follows me,
Your goodness will lead me home.*

He guides my ways in righteousness,
And He anoints my head with oil,
And my cup, it overflows with joy,
I feast on His pure delights.

And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one,
For You are with me,
and Your rod and staff
Are the comfort I need to know.

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your

strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.
Amen. Lord, have mercy.

CONFESSION

**Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours
as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have
been, help us to amend what we
are, and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal;

STAY SAFE ● STAY CONNECTED ● STAY HOPEFUL

through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

COLLECT

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

SONG

In my wrestling and in my doubts
In my failures You won't walk out
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea
You are the peace in my troubled sea

In the silence You won't let go
In the questions Your truth will hold
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea
You are the peace in my troubled sea

*My Lighthouse my Lighthouse
Shining in the darkness, I will follow You
My Lighthouse my Lighthouse
I will trust the promise*

*You will carry me safe to shore
Safe to shore safe to shore safe to shore*

I won't fear what tomorrow brings
With each morning I'll rise and sing
My God's love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea
You are the peace in my troubled sea

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST READING: Heb 13.1-8, 15-16

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let

marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' So we can say with confidence,

'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?' Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 14.1, 7-14

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the

host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON

THE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS

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

THE PEACE

Jesus said: 'Love one another. As I have loved you, so you are to love one another.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

HYMN

Beauty for brokenness
Hope for despair
Lord in Your suff'ring world
This is our prayer
Bread for the children
Justice joy peace
Sunrise to sunset
Your kingdom increase

Shelter for fragile lives
Cures for their ills
Work for the craftsmen
Trade for their skills
Land for the dispossessed
Rights for the weak
Voices to plead the cause
Of those who can't speak

*God of the poor
Friend of the weak
Give us compassion we pray
Melt our cold hearts
Let tears fall like rain
Come change our love
From a spark to a flame*

Refuge from cruel wars
Havens from fear
Cities for sanctu'ry
Freedoms to share
Peace to the killing fields
Scorched earth to green
Christ for the bitterness
His cross for the pain

Rest for the ravaged earth
Oceans and streams
Plundered and poisoned
Our future our dreams
Lord end our madness
Carelessness greed
Make us content with
The things that we need

Lighten our darkness
Breathe on this flame
Until Your justice
Burns brightly again
Until the nations
Learn of Your ways
Seek Your salvation
And bring You their praise

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Yours, Lord, is the greatness,
the power, the glory, the splendour,
and the majesty; for everything
in heaven and on earth is yours.
**All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord is here.

All: His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, we give you thanks and
praise through your beloved Son
Jesus Christ, your living Word,
through whom you have created all
things; who was sent by you in your
great goodness to be our Saviour. By
the power of the Holy Spirit he took
flesh; as your Son, born of the
blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and
went about among us; he opened
wide his arms for us on the cross; he
put an end to death by dying for us;
and revealed the resurrection by
rising to new life; so he fulfilled your
will and won for you a holy
people. Therefore with angels and
archangels, and with all the company
of heaven, we proclaim your great

and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your
glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord. Great is the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory,

we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

**And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Please follow the directions of our sidesteam. There is no one-way system anymore. Please return to your seat through the middle aisle.

We now take communion in both bread and wine again. Please feel under no compulsion to receive the wine, though.

If you'd like to receive a blessing, please keep your hands at your sides as you come forward.

If you'd like to receive Holy Communion seated in the pew, please let a member of our sidesteam know.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

HYMN

O Christ the same,
through all our story's pages
Our loves and hopes,
our failures and our fears
Eternal Lord, the King of all the ages
Unchanging still amid the passing years
O Living Word,
the source of all creation
Who spread the skies
and set the stars ablaze

O Christ the same,
who wrought our whole salvation
We bring our thanks
for all our yesterdays

O Christ the same,
the friend of sinners sharing
Our inmost thoughts,
the secrets none can hide
Still as of old upon Your body bearing
The marks of love, in triumph glorified
O Son of Man,
who stooped for us from heaven
O Prince of life,
in all Your saving power
O Christ the same,
to whom our hearts are given
We bring our thanks
for this the present hour

O Christ the same,
secure within whose keeping
Our lives and loves,
our days and years remain
Our work and rest,
our waking and our sleeping
Our calm and storm,
our pleasure and our pain
O Lord of love,
for all our joys and sorrows
For all our hopes,
when earth shall fade and flee
O Christ the same,
beyond our brief tomorrows
We bring our thanks for all that is to be

THE BLESSING

**Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.**

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ST MARY'S FESTIVAL

Sunday 11 September.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO SING IN OUR CHURCHES TOGETHER CHOIR!

The Festival will finish with a concert at 5pm, featuring a choir with members from various local churches, led by Richard Cottle.

Interested?

Our next rehearsals will be Monday 29 Aug, 7pm (Church of the Most Holy Name, Denham) and Thursday 8 September, 7pm (St Mary's Church).

Contact Richard Cottle to sign up and receive updates:
trixmusic@mac.com

SPREAD THE WORD!

Pick up a poster at the back of church and ask local shops, pubs, etc. to display it.

PRAYER TRAIL: LORD'S PRAYER

Our latest prayer trail around St Mary's Church is The Lord's Prayer in 14 languages. Find them and guess what they are! Do you speak one or several of them? Why not pause and pray it in that language.

Let's pray together ...

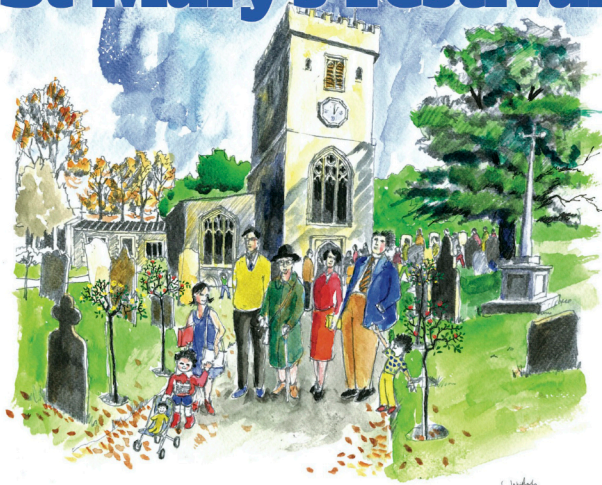
- For conflicts and wars around the world and those working for peace. For generosity in welcoming refugees.
- For the couples getting married in August - for joyful celebrations and that they would know the sustaining love of God throughout their lives.
- For those who have lost loved ones.



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St Mary's Festival



Join us for a community celebration for all ages in and around St Mary's Church Denham.

Please check our website for the latest updates.

Sunday 11 September 2022



10.30am

Celebration Service
St Mary's

With our training curate **Azita Jabbari** on her life and faith journey



12-2pm

Barbecue
St Mary's

Burgers, sausages and drinks
Children's Activities



2-4.45pm

Open Garden
The White House

Cakes and hot drinks will be on offer



2-4.45pm

Vestry Teas
St Mary's Vestry

Home-made cakes and hot drinks



5pm

Concert
St Mary's

Featuring the **Churches Together Choir** with **Richard Cottle**

All proceeds will help us maintain St Mary's Church Building and Churchyard.

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