

Diary for the coming Week

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| Mon 16th | 9.30am | NO Morning Prayer |
| Tues 17th | 9.30am | NO Morning Prayer |
| Weds 18th | 9.30am | NO Morning Prayer |
| Thurs 19th | 9.30am | Morning Prayer |

Next Sunday 22nd July Mary Magdelene Year B

NO 8am Eucharist/ BCP
10.30am Family Service
12.30pm Baptism/ 1.30pm Baptism

Birthdays: Betsy Gray Hammond, Peggy Weeks (98),
Sheila ? & Jackie Noble

Departed:

Anniversary of death: Daphne Keller, Michael Kiriman
Ann Mantovani, Leis de Krom, John McColm & Alfred
Hanson

Sick: May Phillips, Shirley Stokes, Lily Hayward (11),
Martin Rollinson, Ann Smith, Richard, Graham Bryant,
Peter Taylor, John Yaxley, Andrew Penwarden, Ralph
Budd, Della, Roger, Archie Morton, Peter Armstrong.

Long Term Sick & Frail: Fr Nigel, Alan Williams, Lee
Reeve, Jean Poplett, John Gostling, Barbara Green-
shields, Peggy weeks, Gill Tourbay, Nadia, Little Mollie,
Elizabeth Greaves, Petronella, Joyce Ablett, John Had-
don, Dilys Walker, Margaret Hotston, , Chaz & Sally,
Wendy O'Neill, Eileen Harmer, Yvonne Denton, Sheila
Calloway, Dulcie Littlechild, Kathleen Bushnell-Wye,
Doris Anderson.

Notices

Update on what is happening with Rev. Jo. Peter and I are having a meeting with Jo and the Acting Archdeacon later today so hopefully we will have some news next week!

For the time being please stop collecting items for Messy Church. We will let you know when more items are needed. Thank you.

Thursday house group will be back at 29 Kelmscot Way next month - hosted by Colin and Jill - unless advised otherwise.

NEXT SUNDAYS READINGS

Song of Solomon 3.1-4/Psalm 42.1-10

2 Corinthians 5.14-17/ John 20.1-2, 11-18

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July 15th 2018

HOLY CROSS

7th Sunday after Trinity 2018



Mark 6.14-29

Welcome to Holy Cross Church
If you are a visitor or new to the area,
please make yourself known to the
Sidespeople, Church Wardens or
Presiding Priest.
Refreshments are served in the Hall
after the 10.30am Eucharist

The Collect

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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. **Amen**

First Reading

Amos 7.7-15

This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand. And the LORD said to me, 'Amos, what do you see?' And I said, 'A plumb-line.' Then the Lord said, 'See, I am setting a plumb-line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.' Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, 'Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, "Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" And Amaziah said to Amos, 'O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.' Then Amos answered Amaziah, 'I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 85.8 -13

R: Show us your mercy, O Lord, and grant us your salvation

I will listen to what the Lord God will say, for he shall speak peace to his people and to the faithful, that they turn not again to folly. Truly, his salvation is near to those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land. **R**

Mercy and truth are met together, righteousness and peace have kissed each other; Truth shall spring up

from the earth and righteousness look down from heaven. **R**

The Lord will indeed give all that is good, and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness shall go before him and direct his steps in the way. **R**

Second Reading

Ephesians 1.3-14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in Christ, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people to the praise of his glory.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Alleluia, alleluia. I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord. No one comes to the Father except through me.

All Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *Mark*.

Mark 6.14-29

All Glory to you, O Lord.

King Herod heard of the healings and other miracles, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.' But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.' But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.' For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.' And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.' And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.' She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the Baptist.' Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptizer on a platter.' The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ