



St John the Baptist, Catford & Downham Team Ministry

# The 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

27<sup>th</sup> July 2025

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## Hymns:

♫ Processional-	565
♫ Gradual-	231
♫ Offertory-	170
♫ Communion-	348
♫ - Like as the hart: Herbert Howells	
♫ Recessional-	15
♫ Fantasia & Fugue in G: Sir Hubert Parry	

## Collect

God our redeemer, who hast delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of thy Son: grant, that as by his death he hath recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## 1<sup>st</sup> reading: Genesis 18.20-32

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre

<sup>20</sup> and said, 'How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin!

<sup>21</sup> I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know.'

<sup>22</sup> So the men turned from there, and went towards Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD.

<sup>23</sup> Then Abraham came near and said, 'Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked?

<sup>24</sup> Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it?

<sup>25</sup> Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked!  
Far be that from you!  
Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?'

<sup>26</sup> And the LORD said, 'If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.'

<sup>27</sup> Abraham answered, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes.

<sup>28</sup> Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?' And he said, 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.'

<sup>29</sup> Again Abraham spoke to the LORD, 'Suppose forty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of forty I will not do it.'

<sup>30</sup> Then Abraham said, 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.' The LORD answered, 'I will not do it, if I find thirty there.'

<sup>31</sup> Abraham said, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.' The LORD answered, 'For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.'

<sup>32</sup> Then he said, 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more.

Suppose ten are found there.' The LORD answered, 'For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.'

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm: 138

### Refrain:

They shall sing in the ways of the Lord:

**that great is the glory of the Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> I WILL give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart: even before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.

<sup>2</sup> I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy Name, because of thy loving-kindness and truth: for thou hast magnified thy Name and thy word above all things. **R**

<sup>3</sup> When I called upon thee, thou heardest me: and enduedst my soul with much strength.

<sup>4</sup> All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O Lord: for they have heard the words of thy mouth. **R**

<sup>5</sup> Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the Lord: that great is the glory of the Lord.

<sup>6</sup> For though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly: as for the proud, he beholdeth them afar off. **R**

<sup>7</sup> Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me: thou shalt stretch forth thy hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.

<sup>8</sup> The Lord shall make good his loving-kindness toward me: yea, thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever; despise not then the works of thine own hands. **R**



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## 2<sup>nd</sup> reading: Colossians 2.6-10

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians.

Brothers and sisters,

<sup>6</sup> as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him,

<sup>7</sup> rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

<sup>8</sup> See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ.

<sup>9</sup> For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily,

<sup>10</sup> and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority.

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

## Gospel Reading: Luke 11.1-13

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

**Glory to you O, Lord.**

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.'

<sup>2</sup> He said to them, 'When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come.

<sup>3</sup> Give us each day our daily bread.

<sup>4</sup> And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.'

<sup>5</sup> And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread;

<sup>6</sup> for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him."

<sup>7</sup> And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything."

<sup>8</sup> I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

<sup>9</sup> So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.

<sup>10</sup> For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.

<sup>11</sup> Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish?

<sup>12</sup> Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion?

<sup>13</sup> If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Notices

The next **Friday Club** will be on the 8<sup>th</sup>.

The **prayer chapel** will not be open next week (1<sup>st</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>).

## Church Diary

**Prayer Chapel** open:

Monday-Thursday: 7.30am-5.30pm

Weekends: 9.30am-5.30pm

**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity** (27<sup>th</sup>)  
10.30am Sung Mass

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup>**

7.30am Morning Prayer (MP).

5pm Evensong (ES)

**Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup>**

Mary, Martha & Lazarus

7.30am MP. 8.30am Said Mass

1.30pm Mothers' Union Summer of Hope Tea Party raising funds to support women in crisis-affected communities. **Everyone invited.**  
5pm ES.

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>** William

Wilberforce, Olaudah Equino

7.30am MP. 10am Said Mass

followed by Bible Study.

5pm ES.

**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup>** Ignatius of Loyola

7.30am MP. 12noon Funeral

5pm ES.

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup>**

No MP.

1pm Senior Social Club

**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity** (3<sup>rd</sup>)  
10.30am Sung Mass

**Any queries contact:**

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## Prayers

For healing and protection for:  
Jane Deeley, Youngson Kuditas,  
Beverley, Samantha, Glyn, Drew  
Spikes, Ruth Bennett, Alan, Bilki,  
Marcel, Leila, Dwayne, Theresa,  
Valerie Stevenson, Kizzy Lynch,  
Maggie, Joan & Julie Rochefort.  
For those departed this life and  
those with an anniversary of a  
death at this time including Joseph  
Earl and Ena Aberly.