

Parish of Mottingham St Andrew with St Alban

12th September, 2021, 10.30 am, Trinity 15 – St Andrew's & St Alban's Churches

All: Lord have mercy.

All: Christ have mercy.

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Opening Hymn

Introduction to worship: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The Lord be with you. All: And also with you.

Lord, your compassion is over all the earth. Lord have mercy. Your loving kindness is for all, and brings healing to our souls. Christ have mercy. Your faithfulness is revealed from generation to generation. Lord have mercy.

Absolution Gloria: (Said together): Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on

us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the holy one, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the most high, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect: The Collect/Prayer for the Day.

First Reading: (James 3: 1-12) Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue - a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia: Jesus, the anointed One, is the Holy Lamb of God. Alleluia.

Gospel Reading: (Mark 8: 27 - 38). The Lord be with you. All: And also with you. Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. All: Glory to you O Lord. Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' Jesus asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

Sermon

Prayers Lord in your mercy. All: Hear our prayer

Conclusion: All: Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Amen

The Peace The Peace of the Lord be always with you. All: And also with you.

Hymn

Eucharistic Prayer:

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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.

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power & might, heaven & earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

The Lord's Prayer.

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

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

All: Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (X2) Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world. Grant us peace.

Celebrant: God's holy gifts, for God's holy people. *All: Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

<u>Prayer after Communion:</u> All: 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.

Blessing The Lord be with you. *All: And also with you.*

Closing Hymn & Dismissal Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. All: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Notices.

Congratulations to Matthew and Celine Egan on their Marriage at St Andrew's last Weekend.

<u>Congratulations to Maktub Theatre</u>, on their successful run at Identity Theatre, Stockwelll, last week, following workshops and rehearsals in the St Andrew's Hall over the Summer period.

Mid-week Eucharist: Wednesday 15th September, St Andrew's, 10.00 am.

Morning Prayer: Friday 17th September, 9 am, on Zoom.

PCC Meeting, Tuesday Tuesday 14th September, 7.30 pm, St Andrew's Church. Minutes, Reports and Agendas have been circulated. Please submit items of AOB by this evening.

Many thanks to the Social Team, for the Coffee Morning in favour of Macmillan Nurses, which raised £342.

Harvest Festival & Family Service: Sunday 26th September, 2021. Gifts of dry and packet foods for the Foodbank warmly welcome.

Deanery Forum, Tuesday 28th September, 7.30 for 7.45 pm at St Luke's, Eltham. All welcome.

Memorial Service for Elsie Hudson, Saturday 16th October, 2 pm, at St Andrew's

PCC Treasurer, from January 2022: If anybody would be interested in filling this vacancy, please contact Revd Ian..

<u>Prayers for the sick:</u> John Potts, Pip Bampton, Tom Biro, Roger Welch, Chloe Sissons, Jim Bulford, Helen Donaldson, Baby Cody, Baby Ruby, David and Janet Hughes, Betty Walsh, Sally Edwards, Wynne Bowen, Tracey Harison, Marion Harison, Baby Niamh King, Humphrey Butts, Everest Ungar, Eve Palmer, Baby Indigo, Elizabeth Mckenzie, Mark Burkitt, Ivor and Anne Harper, John Symons, Victoria Adeniran, Mary Clotilda.

We continue to hold our dear departed loved ones & friends in our prayers, In particular: Revd Dave Warren, and all whose Year's Mind falls at this time.