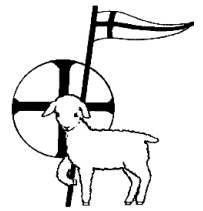


St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



Sunday 16th June 2024

The Third Sunday after Trinity

Today's Services

9.30am Parish Communion

President and Preacher: The Revd Mark Hayter

Mass of St Thomas *David Thorne*

Hymn 377 Immortal, invisible God only wise; Gradual Psalm 92:1-8 (*words overleaf*)

Hymn 408 Love divine, all loves excelling

During Communion: Bread of the world in mercy broken *Anthony Baldwin*

Hymn 115 Now the green blade riseth

Organ Voluntary: Processional *William Mathias*

6.00pm Choral Evensong

Led by the Revd Mark Hayter

Introit: Locus iste *Bruckner*

Setting: *Stanford* in B flat Responses: *Sanders* Psalm 39

Hymns: 241 Before the ending of the day; 333 All my hope on God is founded

Anthem: Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace *SS Wesley*

Organ Voluntary: Menuet Gothique *Léon Boëllmann*

Next Sunday, 23rd June

**The Birth of John the Baptist (*transferred*)
Patronal Festival**

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

President: The Revd Joanna Naish

9.30am Parish Communion

President and Preacher: The Revd Mark Hayter

Sunday 30th June Benefice Service St Peter, Swallowcliffe

11.15am Parish Communion – Patronal Festival

President and Preacher: The Rt Revd Tim Thornton

We look forward to welcoming the Rt Revd Tim Thornton, former Bishop of Truro, who some of you may remember from his time as Bishop of Sherborne. After the service, there will be an opportunity to chat with Bishop Tim and with members of the other churches at the Royal Oak pub, close to St Peter's church.

This will be the only service in the benefice on 30th June – do come!

In Memoriam

A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of **Roger Dearden** will take place at St John's at 1.30pm on Monday 17th June, following a private cremation in Salisbury. Please continue to pray for Sally and the family at this time of loss.

The funeral of the late **David Collis** will take place at St John's at 11.00am on Monday 24th June. Please pray for Jane and the family as they mourn.

This week: Two concerts for Ukraine at St John's

Friday 21 June at 7.30pm

Alexander Karpeyev (piano) and the Norton Wind Ensemble

Saturday 22 June at 7.30pm

Quentin Edwards (flute) and the Westclyffe Quartet; St John's Church Choir conducted by Stuart Robinson

Free entry with retiring collection for the Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal

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The Collect for the Third Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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.

The Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 17.22-24

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. All the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord. I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the Lord have spoken; I will accomplish it.

Psalm 92:1-8

¹ It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord : and to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

² To tell of your love early in the morning : and of your faithfulness in the night-time,

³ Upon the ten-stringed instrument, upon the harp : and to the melody of the lyre.

⁴ For you, Lord, have made me glad by your acts : and I sing aloud at the works of your hands.

⁵ O Lord, how glorious are your works! Your thoughts are very deep.

⁶ The senseless do not know : nor do fools understand,

⁷ That though the wicked sprout like grass : and all the workers of iniquity flourish,

⁸ It is only to be destroyed for ever : but you, O Lord, shall be exalted for evermore.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit :

as it was in the beginning, is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

The Gospel: Mark 4.26-34

Jesus said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

For your prayers

In our linked diocese of Cueibet, South Sudan, we are asked to pray this month for the work of the various NGOs in Cueibet, especially those engaged in health care. Please pray for the struggle against malaria and other major diseases that affect the community there.

Please pray for the Nadder Valley Benefice, that those responsible for steering the process of determining the future shape of ministry here may be guided by your Spirit and come to an understanding of your will for us.

Please continue to pray for the forthcoming General Election in the UK. You are invited to use the resources provided by the Church of England, which you can find at:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/about/topics/pray-your-part-general-election-2024>



Saturday 29th June at 4.30pm

Ordination of Revd Rebecca McDonnell

Becca will be ordained priest by the Rt Revd Stephen Lake, Bishop of Salisbury, in Salisbury Cathedral on Saturday 29 June at 4.30pm. All are welcome at the service.

Please pray for Becca as she prepares for this important occasion, and also for Stewart, Cullin and Murdo.

Becca continues to serve as Assistant Curate in the Sherborne Benefice.

Work in St Andrew's Chapel

Work continues in St Andrew's Chapel, in preparation for the much-anticipated installation of our magnificent new East Window. We ask you, please, for Health and Safety reasons, not to go into St Andrew's Chapel from now until all the work is completed. Thank you!