



The Parish of St Margaret, Holyrood, Prestwich

St. Margaret's, Prestwich & St. George's, Simister

Sunday 25th October – The Twentieth Sunday After Trinity

Collect

God, the giver of life, whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church: by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ and make us eager to do your will, that we may share with the whole creation the joys of eternal life; 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 forever. **Amen.**

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain – that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees – as far as Zoar. The LORD said to him, 'This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, "I will give it to your descendants"; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.' Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred and twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigour had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended. Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the LORD had commanded Moses. Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel **34.1–12**

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Thessalonians. C Olive

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us. **2.1–8**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. 'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?' He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.'" This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.' Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: 'What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?' They said to him, 'The son of David.' He said to them, 'How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, "The Lord said to my Lord, 'Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet'"? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?' No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions. **22.34–46**

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Notices:

A reminder that from August 8th it is mandatory to wear a mask in places of worship.

Rule of Six

The new restrictions that the government introduced from 14th September 2020 do not include attendance at Places of Worship for services.

1. Poppy Themed Facemask: are available from JeaniusBags. There are 4 designs (see magazine or our Facebook page for photos). priced at £8 each, every penny will be donated to the Royal British Legion & Help for Heroes. Please contact Carol Porter if you would like one made for you. Thanks Carol

2. If anyone is interested in exploring the use of Zoom further these sites can be recommended.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iagJnvY6LLY> for Mac users

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QOUwumKCW7M> for Windows users

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UNxhkq9ijVo> is good for those hosting zoom.

3. **Poppies:** If you have any poppies that you have knitted during lockdown please bring them into church so that we can use them for Remembrance Sunday.

4. **Prayer Blankets:** Although Prayer Blankets are not out at the moment (for obvious reasons), they are still available to anyone who needs one or knows someone who does. Please ask either Carol, Deborah or Sue.

5. There will be an On-line All Soul's Day service on Sunday 1st November at 4.00pm. If you want a loved one named, please let us know by Wed 21st October. There is a list at the back of church. Church will be opened from 2.00pm-3.45pm for private prayer on the Sunday specifically to remember a loved one. Please ensure that you are COVID free, wearing a face mask and please refrain from socialising on entry and exit.

6. Although it may seem early, we are planning for Christmas and hope to have our Traditional Carol Service on-line this year, as we don't know what the restrictions will be. If you have a favourite carol that you would like to be included, please let Carol P, Sue or Deborah know. We can't guarantee that they will all be included (due to copyright etc.) but we will try and include the most popular carols.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Although we are in highest tier, we can still attend church, but we do need to adhere to all COVID 19 regulations. Face coverings must be worn at all times whilst in church. Please observe the 2-metre rule at all times and do not block the entrance or congregate in small groups to socialise either inside or outside of church. Hand sanitise on entering and leaving church and before taking communion. Please do not attend if you feel unwell or have experienced any of the COVID-19 symptoms in the past seven days. Please be aware of the rule of six. THANK YOU

Please Pray For:

The Sick



Nigel Birtwistle, Paul Burgess, Barbara Bushell, Joyce Danso, Andrew Ginn, Joan Horgan, Sally Johnson, David Latham, Robert Lyne, Millie Meeley, Alex Orr, Nicola Palliser, Musa Rashid, Brian Robinson, Leslie Sharpe, Richard Simmons, Maude Warren, Yvette Wilton.

Ongoing Prayers for Healing & Wholeness

Elizabeth Ann Beck, Barbara Cass, Laraine Darlington, Philip Dawson, Marion Dixon, Rita Evans, The Gittins Family, Becky Ginn, Audrey Handley, Bob Hardy, Mary & Colin Hargreaves, Peter Henry, Rev Paul Joyce, Joan Knight, Matilda, Martine Rammell, Barbara Peeling, Tom Porter, Bill Potts, Joyce Roebuck, Susan Rowan, Alice White, Rev Pauline Whitmarsh, Rev Deborah.

Recently departed

Anniversaries of Death

Ronald Leadbeater, David Lloyd, Bernice Noble, Doris Partington, Beryl Quinn, Geoff Rimmer, Isabella Twiss.

Columbarium Flowers

Frank Monkman

Oct 30th

Hymns

Int 114- Come Down O Love Divine

Grad 35- A New Commandment

Off 429- Love is His Word, Love is His Way

Comm 87- Broken for Me, Broken for You

Rec 88- Brother, Sister Let me Serve You

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All notices for next week's Service Sheet to be sent to **David McConville** no later than Tuesday please send to mconvillefamily@uwclub.net

Prayer of Discernment for Manchester

Living and Loving God, as your pilgrim people in the Diocese of Manchester, we thank you for the great commission with which you have entrusted us: to love and serve, and to bring our parishes, schools, chaplaincies and all our communities into new life in Jesus Christ. As we prepare for all you call us towards in the months and years to come, grant us hopeful and honest discernment; meet our anxieties, griefs and fears with your tender and comforting Spirit; and help us to greet the promise and challenge of each new day with openness, grace, and trust. Teach us to pray in faith, hope and love, that we may go out into your world confident in your mission, and full of the Good News of Jesus Christ. Amen