

Ordinary Time

29th September 2024

Trinity 18



StMARY *with* StALBAN
PARISH CHURCH of TEDDINGTON

THE GATHERING

1. Bring to the Lord a glad new song,
children of grace extol your king;
worship and praise to God belong-
to instruments of music, sing!

Let those be warned who spurn God's name,
let rulers all obey God's word;
for justice shall bring tyrants shame:
let every creature praise the Lord!

2. Sing praise within these hallowed walls,
worship beneath the dome of heaven;
by cymbals' sounds and trumpets' calls
let praises fit for God be given:

with strings and brass and wind rejoice-
then, join our song in full accord
all living things with breath and voice:
let every creature praise the Lord!

✠ We meet in the name of Jesus Christ, who died and was raised to the glory of God the Father.

Grace and mercy be with you.

All **and also with you.**

The Children's Church leave for their worship

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

All **Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord.**

Amen.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

The gospel calls us to turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ.

As we offer ourselves to him in penitence and faith, we renew our confidence and trust in his mercy.

All **Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, ✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS – *The Mass of St. Thomas, David Thorne*

Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory to God in the highest!

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.

Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory to God in the highest.

Lord Jesus Christ; Holy Son of the Father.

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world

Have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory to God in the highest.

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.

Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory to God in the highest.

THE COLLECT FOR THE WEEK

The Collect is said after a short period of silence

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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 LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING – *Numbers 11.4–6, 10–16, 24–29, read by a member of the congregation*

The rabble among the Israelite people had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, ‘If only we had meat to eat! ⁵We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; ⁶but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.’

Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased. ¹¹So Moses said to the Lord, ‘Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favour in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me?’ ¹²Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, “Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child”, to the land that you promised on oath to their

ancestors? ¹³Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, “Give us meat to eat!” ¹⁴I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. ¹⁵If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favour in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.’

So the Lord said to Moses, ‘Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you.’

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. ²⁵Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, ‘Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.’ ²⁸And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, ‘My lord Moses, stop them!’ ²⁹But Moses said to him, ‘Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord’s people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!’

This is the word of the Lord,

All Thanks be to God

THE SECOND READING – *James 5.13–20, read by the subdeacon*

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. ¹⁴Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. ¹⁶Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, ²⁰you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

This is the word of the Lord,

All Thanks be to God

GRADUAL HYMN

1. Father, hear the prayer we offer:
not for ease that prayer shall be,
but for strength that we may ever
live our lives courageously.

2. Not for ever in green pastures
do we ask our way to be;
but the steep and rugged pathway
may we tread rejoicingly.

3. Not for ever by still waters
would we idly rest and stay;
but would smite the living fountains
from the rocks along our way.

4. Be our strength in hours of weakness,
in our wanderings be our guide;
through endeavour, failure, danger,
Father, be thou at our side.

GOSPEL READING - Mark 9.38–end

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Your word is truth, O Lord; consecrate us in the truth.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

John said to Jesus, 'Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.'

But Jesus said, 'Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterwards to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

'If any of you put a stumbling-block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell.

And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

‘For everyone will be salted with fire.⁵⁰ Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

Lord in your mercy or Lord, hear us

All Hear our prayer Lord, graciously hear us

Merciful Father,

**All accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

May the God of peace make you perfect and holy, that you may be kept safe and blameless in spirit, soul and body, for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All **and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN

1. Of the glorious body telling,
O my tongue, its mysteries sing,
and the blood, all price excelling,
which the world's eternal King,
in a noble womb once dwelling,
shed for this world's ransoming.

2. Given for us, for us descending,
of a virgin to proceed,
man with man in converse blending,
scattered He the gospel seed,
till His sojourn drew to ending,
which He closed in wondrous deed.

3. At the last great supper lying
circled by His brethren's band,
meekly with the law complying,
first He finished its command,
then, immortal food supplying,
gave Himself with His own hand.

4. Word made flesh, by word He maketh
very bread His flesh to be;
man in wine Christ's blood partaketh:
and, if senses fail to see,
faith alone the true heart waketh
to behold the mystery.

5. Therefore we, before Him bending,
this great sacrament revere;
types and shadows have their ending,
for the newer rite is here;
faith, our outward sense befriending,
makes the inward vision clear.

6. Glory let us give, and blessing
to the Father, and the Son;
honour, might and praise addressing
while eternal ages run;
ever too his love confessing,
who, from both, with both is one.

As the grain once scattered in the field and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now reunited on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your kingdom.

All **Amen.**

THE 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.**

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

For he is your living Word; through him you have created all things from the beginning and formed us in your own image.

Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin, giving him to be born of a woman and to die upon the cross; you raised him from the dead and exalted him to your right hand on high.

Through him you have sent upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit, and made us a people for your own possession.

And now we give you thanks because you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image and called us to new life in him.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!**

✠ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit ✠ these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: *Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.*

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: *Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.*

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father, in remembrance of the precious death and passion, the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension of your dear Son Jesus Christ, we offer you through him this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

**All Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Trusting in the compassion of God, and as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Everyone is welcome to come forward for Holy Communion or a blessing.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever. **Amen.**

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.

The Notices are given

SENDING OUT

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

1. Lord, the light of your love is shining,
in the midst of the darkness shining:
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us;
set us free by the truth you now bring us:
shine on me, shine on me.

*Shine, Jesus, shine,
fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze, Spirit, blaze,
set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow,
Flood the nations with grace and mercy;
send forth your word, Lord,
and let there be light!*

2.Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
from the shadows into your radiance;
by the blood I may enter your brightness:
search me, try me, consume all my darkness:
shine on me, shine on me.

3.As we gaze on your kingly brightness
so our faces display your likeness,
ever changing from glory to glory:
mirrored here, may our lives tell your story:
shine on me, shine on me

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**


Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ. Amen**

The ministers and people depart.



NOTICES:

A L L W E L C O M E	First Wednesday Open Discussion Group	<u>Wednesday 2nd October</u> 12.45-2.15pm Mina Hogan Room. <i>Topic: As an urban church, how and why do we celebrate Harvest Festival? Bring your packed lunch and a friend. Tea & coffee provided.</i> Bring your packed lunch and a friend. Tea & coffee provided.
	Pints of View	<u>Wednesday 2nd October</u> Tide End Pub 8.00pm. This is an opportunity to gather each month, at the same time each month in the Tide End Pub, for some unscripted, agenda-free and committee-free fellowship over a pint or equivalent.
	Parish Social Coffee	<u>Thursday 3rd October</u> on zoom 10.30am. To join email enquiries@teddingtonparish.org
	Parish Plod	<u>Saturday 6th October</u> 9.30am From Elstree to Radlett. To join email enquiries@teddingtonparish.org
NEXT SUNDAY Harvest Sunday: 6th October	We will be supporting RichmondAID who run a food bank each week in Teddington and the Salvation Army for their families in need. There are many sought after items they struggle to get hold of each week: particularly toiletries including toilet roll. But also coffee, pasta sauce, rice (microwave packets as well), biscuits, toiletries including toilet roll. Bring your donations along to any of the services that day. ALL donations are gratefully received and will be very much appreciated.	
Just back from holiday? Building Anew could still use any foreign currency	Thank you for all your support so far. Please place donations in an envelope (with gift aid info if you can) and in the plate on Sunday or drop into the Parish Office.	
BUY ONE OF THE LAST FEW BRICKS NOW	Under 15 fundraising bricks remain of the 100 Limited Edition fundraising bricks, each £100, to be part of the legacy of this historic community project. Please scan the QR code.	
POSTPONED Quiz & Curry Night Saturday 5th October	This is being postponed for now, though a new date will be announced soon. We will be in touch with anyone who has already purchased tickets to see if they would prefer a refund, or are happy to move to the new date.	

<p>Celebrate Teddington's Greatest Poet Thomas Traherne</p> <p>Monday 7th to Wednesday 9th October and Friday 11th October</p> <p>The Requiem Eucharist Thursday 10th October</p> <p>Celebration and Commemoration Event Saturday 12th October</p> <p>Sunday 13th October</p>	<p>A resident of Teddington, as a scholar, poet and priest and was buried beneath the church in 1674. You are invited to celebrate Traherne's anniversary next month, and tap into some of St Mary with St Alban's heritage.</p> <p>Morning Prayer 8.30am and Evening Prayer 6.00pm on Zoom – inclusion of a short piece of poetry and music</p> <p>7.30pm St Mary with St Alban This will be held on the same day he was buried here, 350 years ago.</p> <p>5.00pm St Mary with St Alban. An opportunity to enjoy Traherne's poetry, both spoken and set to music, with a talk by Bishop Lord Richard Harries, the theologian, writer and broadcaster, and to chat over wine & nibbles (bar available). Scan this QR code for all the dates, and your free ticket. Donations will be requested.</p> <p>8.00am Said requiem for Thomas Traherne 9.00 and 10.00am services will include relevant content</p>
<p>This week</p> <p>Monday Tuesday Wednesday</p> <p>Thursday</p> <p>Saturday</p>	<p>Community Café, Peter & Paul Centre 1.30-4.30pm Memory Café, Peter & Paul Centre 1.30-3.00pm First Wednesday Discussion, Mina Hogan 12.45-2.15pm Pints of View, Tide End Pub from 8.00pm Holy Dusters, SMwSA 10.00-11.00am Parish Social, Zoom 10.30am Traherne Reading Group, Mina Hogan Rm 1.30-3.00pm Parish Plod, Woodside Park to Elstree 9.30am</p>
<p>World Polio Day Thursday 24th October</p>	<p>Teddington and the Hamptons' Rotary Club invite you to join them at their 3 course sharing meal, costing £35 per person at Cento Uno in Teddington, 7.00-10.00pm in aid of the Rotary End Polio Now Appeal.</p>
<p>Go to www.teddington.org.uk for information. All come with an open invitation and please bring a friend.</p>	



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