

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Proper 14

10th August 2025



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PARISH CHURCH of TEDDINGTON

THE GATHERING

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (587)

1. Amazing grace (how sweet the sound)
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

3. Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come:
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

4. The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

5. Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
and mortal life shall cease:
I shall possess, within the veil,
a life of joy and peace.

6. The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,
the sun forbear to shine;
but God, who called me here below.,
will be forever mine.

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you

All and also with you.

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

God shows his love for us in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Let us then show our love for him by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

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 Addington Service by Richard Shephard

All 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 sin 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.

THE COLLECT FOR THE WEEK *The Collect is said after a short period of silence*

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, 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 – Genesis 15.1–6, read by a member of the congregation

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, ‘Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.’² But Abram said, ‘O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?’³ And Abram said, ‘You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.’⁴ But the word of the Lord came to him, ‘This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.’⁵ He brought him outside and said, ‘Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.’ Then he

said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.'⁶ And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

This is the word of the Lord,

All Thanks be to God

THE SECOND READING – *Hebrews 11.1–3, 8–16, read by a member of the congregation*

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.² Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval.³ By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going.⁹ By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise.¹⁰ For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God.¹¹ By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised.¹² Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, 'as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.'

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth,¹⁴ for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland.¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return.¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

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All Thanks be to God

GRADUAL HYMN (451)

1. Just as I am, without one plea but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou bidst me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come.	2. Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come.
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3. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yea, all I need, in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come.

4. Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve:
because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.

5. Just as I am, thy love unknown
has broken every barrier down;
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come.

6. Just as I am, of that free love
the breadth, length, depth,
and height to prove,
here for a season, then above,
O Lamb of God, I come.

GOSPEL READING - Luke 12.32–40

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

I am the light of the world, says the Lord. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

‘Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

‘Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

‘But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.’

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.

Almighty God, you have promised to hear the prayers of those who ask in your Son's name; we pray that what we have asked faithfully we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

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 (604)

1. Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant too.

2. We are pilgrims on a journey,
and companions on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.

3. I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.

4. I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh, I'll laugh with you;
I will share your joy and sorrow
till we've seen this journey through.

5. When we sing to God in heaven,
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.

6. Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant too.

Generous God, creator, redeemer, sustainer, at your table we present this money, symbol of the work you have given us to do; use it, use us, in the service of your world to the glory of your name.

All All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.

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.

Blessed are you, Lord God, our light and our salvation;
to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the beginning you have created all things and all your works echo
the silent music of your praise. In the fullness of time you made us in your
image, the crown of all creation.

You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels and all the
powers of heaven we may find a voice to sing your praise:

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powers of heaven we may find a voice to sing your praise:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and 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!**

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord. As a mother tenderly
gathers her children, you embraced a people as your own. When they
turned away and rebelled your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary, to be the living
bread, in whom all our hungers are satisfied.

He offered his life for sinners, and with a love stronger than death he
opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died, he came to supper with his friends and, taking bread, he gave you thanks. He broke it and gave it to them, saying: *Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.*

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said: *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.*

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory, and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit ✠ as we bring before you these gifts of your creation; may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence, form us in the likeness of Christ, and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Remember, Lord, your Church in every land. Reveal her unity, guard her faith, and preserve her in peace.

Bring us at the last with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Alban the Martyr and all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, by whom, with whom, and in whom, 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

Seeking the salvation of the world, 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

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world: grant us peace.

Or, if said:

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

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

Lamb of God, you take away the sin 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

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life;
glory to you for ever.

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

POST-COMMUNION HYMN (486)

1. Christ is the King! O friends rejoice;
brothers and sisters with one voice
tell all the world he is your choice.

Alleluia.

2. O magnify the Lord, and raise
anthems of joy and holy praise
for Christ's brave saints of ancient days.

Alleluia.

3. They with a faith for ever new
followed the King, and round him drew
thousands of faithful hearts and true.

Alleluia.

4. O Christian women, Christian men,
all the world over, seek again
the Way disciples followed then.

Alleluia.

5. Christ through all ages is the same:
place the same hope in his great name,
with the same faith his word proclaim.

Alleluia.

6. Let love's unconquerable might
your scattered companies unite
in service to the Lord of light.

Alleluia.

7. So shall God's will on earth be done,
new lamps be lit, new tasks begun,
and the whole church at last be one.

Alleluia.

THE BLESSING

The God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus,
establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith; 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

Foreign Currency Donations:

If you are planning a trip abroad, we would love any foreign notes and coins leftover upon your return, for Building Anew. Please drop any notes or coins within an envelope into the plate on Sundays if you are in church, or into the Parish Hall letter box at any time. And please let us know if your donations can be Gift Aided by adding your name, house name/number and postcode. Thank you. You can find more details on the website.

Two dates for your diary:

Sunday 21 September: Harvest planning is underway, with a Parish Lunch at noon in the Parish Hall, on from coffee after the 10am.

Saturday 4 October: Quiz Night from 7pm in the Parish Hall. Tickets sold individually, £20. Teams of 8 also very welcome. Scan the QR code, go to ChurchSuite or the website to book.



Over August much continues – and a few things take a break:

Please take a look at the calendar overleaf for everything happening this month.

Give to St. Mary with St. Alban:

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WHAT'S ON - AUGUST

SAT
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PARISH PLOD
9.30AM
continuing the
Middlesex Greenway

MON
4, 11, 18

COMMUNITY CAFÉ
1.30-4.30PM
Peter & Paul Centre

TUE
5 & 19

MEMORY CAFÉ
1.30-3.00PM
Peter & Paul Centre

WED
6

PINTS OF VIEW
FROM 8.00PM
unscripted fellowship
in the Tide End Pub

THU
7, 14, 21, 28

HOLY DUSTERS
10.00-11.15AM
SMWSA Church

THU
7

FELLOWSHIP COFFEE
10.30AM
Zoom

TUE
12

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH
12 NOON
Piazza Firenze

SUN
17

ALL-AGE EUCHARIST
10.00AM
SMWSA Church

MON
18

BEREAVEMENT CAFÉ
10.00-11.30AM
Peter & Paul Centre

THU & SAT
21 & 23

GARDENING
10.00AM-12 NOON
SMWSA Churchyard

MON
25

BANK HOLIDAY
COMMUNITY CAFÉ
1.30-3.30PM
Peter & Paul Centre

TUE
26

FELLOWSHIP COFFEE
10.30AM
Location tba

CONTINUING
AS USUAL
THIS MONTH

ALL SUNDAY'S SERVICES: 8, 9 & 10AM, WITH COFFEE
AFTER BOTH 9 & 10AM
WEDNESDAYS 9.30AM EUCHARIST
MORNING & EVENING PRAYER: MON-SAT

TAKING A
BREAK OVER
AUGUST

CHILDREN'S CHURCH, CHURCH MICE AND EVENSONG
FIRST WEDNESDAY, PLAIN & PEARL AND THE PARISH
NEWSLETTER (SO NO BUNDLING NOR DELIVERY EITHER!)
PARISH OFFICE WILL CLOSE FOR A FORTNIGHT FROM
MON 11, RE-OPENING TUE 26, AFTER THE BANK HOLIDAY

LOOKING AHEAD

SEPT
21

HARVEST LUNCH
12 NOON
St Mary's Parish Hall

OCT
4

QUIZ NIGHT 7.00PM
SEE QR CODE TO BOOK
St Mary's Parish Hall



Quiz Night



Full Calendar

visit www.teddingtonparish.org for more details

requires pre-booking