

St Andrew's Church

First Sunday after Trinity

Pew sheet for June 19th 2022

10.00am Mass in Church and on YouTube

Celebrant and Preacher; Fr John Wilkinson

If you are in church, please remember to turn off your mobile phone during the service. Please take this sheet home with you at the end of the service. There are prayers which you may like to use at home at the end of the newsletter.

Hymn numbers for the Mass

Collect

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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.**

Reading

Galatians 3;23-end

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Gospel

Luke 8; 26-39

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As Jesus stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs.

When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" - for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.)

Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and

was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country.

Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them

how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.



Post Communion Prayer

Eternal Father, we thank you for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts: may our communion strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope, and make us grow in love; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please pray for people who are sick or in need of prayer: Pam, Vicky, Tabitha Gooding, Linda, Gloria Boothe, Gloria James, Hayden Lewis, Beryl Clayton, Andrina, Gill Ludford, Rene, Beverly and Elaine Mitchell, Nancy Forbes, the Clarke family, Mr and Mrs Gordon, Pat B, Jason Shelton, Margaret Herbert, Imtaz, Hazel, David, Rianne, Nancy Loveridge.

For those who have recently died: Derek Bailey.

Anniversary of death: Lily Oakley, Ken Lloyd, Edward Wild, Adella Evadne Jackson.

Notices

- **Refugee Week.** As part of this celebration, St Andrew's will be hosting an event **next Wednesday** 22nd June at 4- 6.30 pm for discussion and a meal. Can you join us? Can you help? Please speak to Val if you can. **(No Evening Prayer on Zoom this week)**
- St Andrew's has received a legacy of £500 from the will of Pam Hyett, from Woodcroft Avenue, who died last year, and who was a regular worshipper at church until illness prevented her from coming. We are very grateful that Pam decided to show her love of St Andrew's in this way, and have sent our thanks to her children, Martin & Sue. If you would like to mention St Andrew's in your will, Fr John can give you more information.
- St Michael's Church Handsworth invites us to join their Windrush celebrations. Saturday 25th June at St Michael's, 12 noon- 6pm. Events – Go Down Memory Lane, Listen to Windrush stories, Exhibition, Afro-Caribbean food stalls (food from 2-4), Face-Painting, Bouncy Castleand more.....!

Prayer

Blessed are you, Lord our God, for you created order out of chaos and the world out of your love. You offer peace and well-being to all of your creation. Blessed are you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We give thanks to you, O Lord, for all who help to bring healing and peace to your world. May the Church be seen as an instrument of your peace and of your love for all peoples. May all who are distressed and disturbed come to know the peace of Christ and his love. We ask your blessing upon all meditation groups and all who help others to live in harmony. Christ, our Lord, grant us your peace. Amen.

David Adams