St Andrew's Church

Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Pew sheet for July 17th 2022

10.00am Mass in Church and on YouTube

Celebrant and Preacher; Fr Jaisher

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 628 66 615 413 52

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; 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.**

Reading Colossians 1; 15-28

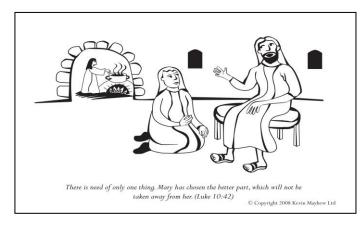
Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers - all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him - provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven.

I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ

Gospel Luke 10;38-end

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered



her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

Post Communion Prayer

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please pray for people who are sick or in need of prayer: Natasha St Paul, Tracey, Cos, Gloria James, Gloria Boothe, Rose Blair, Linda, Pam, Hazel, Rianne, David, Nancy Forbes, Beverly and Elaine Mitchell, Jacqueline Cole Pat B, Tim, Vicky, Rebecca R and family, Edmond Griffin.

Notices

- In connection with the Commonwealth Games, there will be a service for the Commonwealth at Holy Trinity Birchfield Sunday 24th July at 4pm.
- Wednesday 7pm Evening Prayer on Zoom, Thursday 10-12 Coffee morning in the Good Shepherd Hall, Friday 6.30 Choir Practice in church, no gardening this Saturday.
- Memorial service for Father Henley and for Beverley James Saturday 16th July at 12 noon
- Articles are invited for the next parish magazine. Please send them to parishmagazine949@gmail.com
- Please be aware that for health reasons we are not passing round the collection plate at the moment. Please put your offering in the collection plate at the door.

A Poem to Pray with

Why don't you give up, God? You know me by now – the churning restlessness, the worrying, and how tense and distracted I am.

You keep asking me
to stop fussing and play,
to relax and rejoice
and admire your new day.
I'm busy, Lord.
I have things to do,
Like Martha, I am never through.

Yes, I know Mary chose the better part, simply stopped still and opened up her heart. It's something I would really like to do but not right now. Right now I'm much too busy for you.

Elizabeth Rooney