13 June 2021: Trinity 2 Year B; Track 2; Proper 6; Ordinary Time week 11

Welcome to St Mary's! Usual rules still

apply about face coverings, lack of singing, social distancing - and we are encouraged to do our chatting outside, rather than in the building. This Sunday Rev Emma has been sent to prison...! (She's taking mass at Ford.)

St Mary's is moving towards using the **Parish Giving Scheme** to support our finances - over the next few weeks there should be forms and details for everybody. The PGS is designed to replace envelopes, putting cash on a collection plate and bank standing orders - with a simple Direct Debit which automatically reclaims any Gift Aid with each donation and will increase each year by the rate of inflation (if you tick that box).

The next **100 Club** draw will take place in Church next Sunday (20 June). If you are not already a member and would like to join please contact Ann on 01903 775795 or by email at <u>annridley00@gmail.com</u>.

Malcolm and Pauline McLelland are holding a fund raising **Traditional Garden Tea Party** for St. Mary's on Sat 3 July at 3pm at 96 North Lane, restrictions permitting (if wet, then 4 July). Tickets @ £10 are available * **this week only from Joan Crane!** * (usually from Pauline 01903 412961)

St Mary's is taking part in <u>Love Your Burial Ground</u> <u>Week (including Churches Count on Nature)</u> which closes today. Throughout this week, we've been asking those who use the churchyard to record the wildlife that they see - today is your last chance!

The **Friends of St Mary's** are running a Photo Competition in conjunction with East Preston Festival sponsored by Kamsons Pharmacy. The subject is St Mary the Virgin, East Preston with Kingston & there's a special category for under-12s. Full details on the flyer (available at the back of the church), or go to this website: https://bit.ly/EPF21-photos

Sunday Club is restarting in the Spire Room next Sunday,20 June during the 10am Service. Children of all ages and their parents/carers are all welcome. More details from Charis (782014).

The Parish of East Preston with Kingston St Mary the Virgin NOTICE SHEET

Movement for Good awards. Could you nominate St Mary's to win £1000? Follow the link below and then 'Nominate a charity now' on the website and enter our details (Charity number: 1180544). The closing date for nominations is Sunday 13 June 2021. The more nominations we get, the greater our chance of winning, so please spread the word to your friends and family. Thanks for your support! <u>https://www.movementforgood.com</u>

Sacristan needed! Since becoming Church Warden, Mary is stepping back from her Sacristan duties - could you be her replacement? More details from Mary or Gloria.

Little Angels for 0-5 years & their parents/carers has restarted in the Spire Room (10-11.30am). Spread the news if you've got contacts! Adults will need to wear a face covering & bring a travel mug/cup for refreshments.

As part of the East Preston Festival Weekend, we're joining together with Our Lady Star of the Sea on Sunday 25 July 3pm for **Songs of Praise** to be held in the grounds of Our Lady Star of the Sea. More details coming soon!

Please remember in your prayers those in special need especially: Gordon; Janet; June Kirkham; Sue Ralph; Lucy Parkes; Ruth Sherwin; Lou; Andrew Moore; John White, Ann Mitchell; Ann Baker; Timothy Lovett.

We remember those who've died recently: and those whose anniversary falls this coming week: Godfrey Ayling; Gladys Howden; John Beatley; John Smyth; Ivy Turnbull; Martin Roberts; Michael Genge; Neve Seeley; Patricia Bowbanks; John Wellman; Elspeth Ayling.

Next Sunday's readings (20 June: Trinity 3; track 2; Proper 7): Job 38.1-11; 2 Corinthians 6.1-13; Mark 4.35-end

Fr Andrew is on annual leave from tomorrow (14 June to 26 June)

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www.stmarysep.org.uk : www.facebook.com/groups/stmaryseastpreston (Monday is Rev Emma's day off: Friday is Fr Andrew's day off) St Mary's is a Registered Charity and our number is: 1180544

Collect:

O God, the strength of all 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.

A reading from the book of Genesis:

The man and woman heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

A reading from the second letter to the Corinthians:

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture "I believed, and so I spoke" we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

A reading from the Gospel of St Mark:

The crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin" for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit." Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

Post Communion:

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.