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Trinity Sunday

Welcome!

We are delighted to see you, especially if this is your first visit.

Please do join us for refreshments at 10.30am today.

Today		
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
9.30am	Prayzone	
10.30am	Coffee in the hall	
11.00am	Morning Worship	
5.30pm	Prayer Meeting with Nicci Maxwell our new CMS link partner	
During the Week		
Tues	9am Morning Prayer in church	
	7.30pm St Matt's Cats	
Wed	9am Holy Communion followed by coffee in the Lounge	
Sat	2.30pm Wedding of Chloe Boniface and Peter Jelfs	
2 June		
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
9.30am	Breakfastzone	
10.30am	Coffee in the Hall	
11.00am	Holy Communion	

Collect

Holy God,
faithful and unchanging:
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,
that we may truly worship you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen

Readings

Romans 8: 12-17

¹² Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation – but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. ¹³ For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. ¹⁵ The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, 'Abba, Father.' ¹⁶ The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. ¹⁷ Now if we are children, then we are heirs – heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

John 3: 1-17

Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. ² He came to Jesus at night and said, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him.'

- ³ Jesus replied, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.'
- ⁴ 'How can someone be born when they are old?' Nicodemus asked. 'Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!'
- ⁵ Jesus answered, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. ⁶ Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. ⁷ You should not be surprised at my saying, "You must be born again." ⁸ The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.'
- ⁹ 'How can this be?' Nicodemus asked.
- ¹⁰ 'You are Israel's teacher,' said Jesus, 'and do you not understand these things? ¹¹ Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. ¹² I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven the Son of Man. ¹⁴ Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, ¹⁵ that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.'

¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

For our prayers and praise this week	
Sunday	Praise God for a wonderful weekend thinking about who the Holy Spirit is
	and what he wants to do in the worldwide church and in individual lives.
Mon	Thank God for Nicci Maxwell who is to become our new CMS Mission
	Partner working in Uganda. Pray for her, that we may get to know her and
	have a vision of what she will be doing.
Tues	Thank God for all who collected and for those who gave to Christian Aid.
	Pray for their work in needy situations around the world.
Wed	Thank God for the Archbishops initiative of "Your will be done, Your
	Kingdom come" and for all those who pledged to pray for five non
	Christians.
Thurs	Pray for all our leaders, praying that they may find ways of bringing peace
	into our world.
Fri	Thank God for the work of Torquay Community Larder and how they work
	to help the homeless and needy people in Torquay. Pray that we may give
	more food to this cause. Pray for those who receive their help.
Sat	Praise God for the increasing number of young people who come to Church.
	Pray for them over half term that they may be safe and have a happy time.
	Praise God especially for those who lead the evening service once a month.
Sun	Pray for the services this week that we may all see Jesus afresh through His
	Holy Spirit. Pray for the Staff Team who work so hard for the Lord's service.

What's on and notices



<u>Data Protection consent forms are due back asap! Without</u>
<u>this consent we won't be able to contact you!</u> An
individual's consent is now needed in order for us to
continue to contact you so please pick up and complete a
form today (or you may have had this via email). Thank you.

24 June Church Family Lunch to mark Brian Gerry's retirement second time around! Please sign up in the hall on the noticeboard. We also still need helpers to organise this! Thank you. (Please see Ruth, Pere or Sylvia.)

Torquay Community Larder donations requested - we particularly need cereal, long life milk, tinned veg, tinned fruit, instant coffee – thank you.

Data Protection Consent Form?

Good news: we're going to be able to welcome children to the Lord's Table at St Matthias' soon... Please take a leaflet which explains how and why.

If you are a parent of a child of any age please can you also **add your name to the list** on the clip board since we want to ensure every parent has the opportunity to consider whether this is a step they want for their children. For many people, this will be a welcome step, for others they may have some concerns. Please read the leaflet carefully and come to the teaching, which begins this Sunday, to find out more.

Christian Aid Week Thank you to everyone who has supported Christian Aid. Approximately £1500 has been raised. Well done!

Men's Breakfast Saturday 9 June Contact Charlie for more information or to book c.allansen@btinternet.com or 07917 005406

Cream Tea and St Matts Cats
gospel choir fund raising
afternoon! Saturday 16 June
2:30pm. Further details from Anya
or look out for posters around the
church anyajones@yahoo.com
Tickets available on
Sundays or from
the office.



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