

Your Word of the Week

28th July 2024, 9th Sunday after Trinity



Christ Church
Wheelock

St Michaels
Crewe Green



St Matthews
Haslington

9.30 am	St Matthew's	Morning Worship	Rev Jane
10.45 am	Christ Church	Family Service	Carleton
11.00 am	St Michael & All Angels	Holy Communion	Rev Jane
4.30 pm	Christ Church	Evening Prayer	Rev Jane

The Gospel Reading, John 6:1-21

6 After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias.^[a] **2** A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. **3** Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. **4** Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. **5** When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' **6** He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. **7** Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages^[a] would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' **8** One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, **9** 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' **10** Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they^[a] sat down, about five thousand in all. **11** Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. **12** When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' **13** So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. **14** When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'

15 When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. **16** When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, **17** got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. **18** The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. **19** When they had rowed about three or four miles,^[a] they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. **20** But he said to them, 'It is I;^[a] do not be afraid.' **21** Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.

Epistle reading, Ephesians 3:14-end

14 For this reason I bow my knees before the Father,^[a] **15** from whom every family^[a] in heaven and on earth takes its name. **16** I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, **17** and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. **18** I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, **19** and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

20 Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, **21** to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

Collect for the day, Old Testament Reading and prayers.

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Almighty God,

who sent your Holy Spirit

to be the life and light of your Church:

open our hearts to the riches of your grace,

that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit

in love and joy and peace;

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.

We remember the sick in our prayers:

David Looker, John Lewis, Stephen Jones, Colin Evans, Kathleen Burgess, Alan Wheeler, Ray Thorley, Margaret Lindop, Gwen Bickerton, Barbara Harvey, Winnie Rutter, Bob Holland, Keith and Barbara Whittle, Marjorie Crook, Janet Fallon, Anna Betts, Kathleen Knox, Martin Harper, Charles Howard-Smith, Freda Claridge, Linda Jones, Robert Leech, William Carlson, Gill Golding, Joanne Wall, Lisa Lalor, Graham Timmis, David Hurst, Jamie Hurst, Pauline Fletcher, Susan, Pam Philpot, Geoff Keen, Mark Trigger, Margaret Jones, Margaret Ellis, Jenny Slicher, Vicky Thopsom, Hazel Barnes-Newton, Brenda Hughes, Paul Wilkinson, Dennis Harrison, David Bloor, Sheila Humphries and Sarah Dicken.

We thank God for the lives of all who have died and for the rest in Christ they now enjoy:

Jeff Budden, Gwyneth Morgan, Cyril Grocott, Rev Canon Bill Baker, Pollie Bell, Ian Rowe, Leslie Goode, Ron Hulme and Clair Griffin.

We remember and pray for all families whose loved ones have died.

Old Testament reading, 2 kings 4:42-end

⁴² A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, 'Give it to the people and let them eat.' ⁴³ But his servant said, 'How can I set this before a hundred people?' So he repeated, 'Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, "They shall eat and have some left."' ⁴⁴ He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

Church notices

St Michael's, Saturday 5th October, with a "Blessing of animals service". To be held on the field next to the churchyard at 3.00pm. Everyone and every animal is welcome!

St Matthew's Skittle evening on 7th September, 6.00pm at The Bickerton Poacher. It's £18 a ticket (which includes a meal). Please let Anna Betts know if you'd like to attend.

St Matthew's David Green will give a talk titled, "Old Haslington". It's on Saturday 28th September, 2.00pm in St Matthew's church hall, £3.00 a ticket, including light refreshments.

DIARY

9.30am Morning Worship for all St Matthew's church family in church and Facebook Live stream.

10.45am Morning Worship for all Christ Church's family in church and Facebook Live stream.

11.00am Morning Worship for all St Michael's church family.

4.30pm [Fourth Sunday] Evening Prayer from Book of Common Prayer at Christ Church and Facebook Live stream.

10.30am (Fifth Sunday) Joint Benefice service, rotating around our 3 churches.

Wednesday 10.45 am Holy Communion, (Book of Common Prayer), in St Matthew's church.

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