

# News Sheet for Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August

## NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



**PARISH OF FLEET**  
**All Saints with Ss Philip & James**  
*Welcoming all in our community  
into the love of Christ*

**Welcome** in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to our worship today. It is a great joy to have you with us as we worship God together. If you are here for the first time we pray that your visit will be a time of blessing. Please make yourselves known to us after the service and, if you can, join us for coffee and a chat in the hall.

### **TODAY IN THE PARISH**

#### **All Saints (FPCC)**

10.00am Sung Eucharist with  
Junior Church and Crèche

*(joint service)*

#### **Ss Philip and James**

8.00am Holy Communion (1662)

**TODAY'S COLLECT** 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.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH**

**The Coffee Bar is open Monday - Saturday 10.00am - 12.30pm**  
**Morning Prayer takes place Monday at 9.00am**

### **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August**

FPCC 7.30pm Altar frontal Group

### **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> August**

Ss Philip and James 9.30am Holy Communion followed by coffee

### **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> August**

FPCC 10.00am Parent and Toddler Summer Club

## **SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> AUGUST - TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

### **All Saints (FPCC)**

*(no service here today)*

### **Ss Philip and James**

8.00am Holy Communion (1662)

10.00am Sung Eucharist with Junior Church and Crèche

*(joint service)*

### **THIS AFTERNOON : SUMMER GARDEN TEA PARTY -**

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August, 2.30pm - 4.30pm, at Troquhain House, Dogmersfield, £5 in aid of All Saints Fund.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK . . .

**Those in urgent need of our prayers including** David Brett, Grace Dicker, Dexter Heard, Jean Kannemayer, Louise Purton, Rose Smithers and John Taylor.

**Members of our extended church family in need of our continuing prayers...** Patricia Bull, Alwynne Hallam, Jon Harrow, Mollie Hayes, Patrick Huddle, Marjorie Isaac, Anthony King, Bonnie Lewis, Evelyn Murray, Gill Page, Peter Pimm, Ildiko Simpson, John Simson, John Stocks, Tyler Thompson, Doris Wilman and Molly Wilson.

**Those who have died recently...** Joan Rolfe and Putsy Bullivant

**Those from our two memorial books whose anniversaries fall at this time** Francis Wiseman, Aileen Marsh, Hedwig Baker-Pearson, Jack Burrows, Gladys Burton, Jane Holbeche, Arthur Mearing, Janet Patchett, Monica Meirion-Jones and Florence Vincent.

## PRAYER DIARY FOR WEEK BEGINNING 13<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

**Meditation:** 'Strength doesn't come from what you can do. Strength comes from overcoming the things you thought you couldn't.'

**We give thanks for** We give thanks for the precious gift of the present moment.

**Please pray....**

**Mon** - (S. Maximilian Kolbe) For all political prisoners

**Tues** - (The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary) For all our departed mothers.

**Wed** - For Fleet hospital, its staff and patients.

**Thurs** - For those suffering from Leukaemia.

**Fri** - For Christian counsellors and spiritual directors.

**Sat** - For victims of human trafficking.

**Sun** - For the church's ministry of deliverance, and rescue for all who are influenced by the occult.

**ALL WEEK** - For those who live in Rochester Grove, Rose Walk, Rosedene Gdns, Rowan Close, Rufford Close and Rushmore Close.

## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Please note that items with headlines underlined are new this week.

**MASSIVE THANK YOU** - to both the experienced decorators and the young people new to the whole experience, for their time and dedication in the refurbishment of P&J hall. It looks magnificent!

**DIOCESAN DAY OF HEALING AND WHOLENESS** - Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September 10am - 4pm at Guildford Cathedral. Teaching, workshops, worship & healing prayer. £20 per person. Healing Service led by Rt Revd Andrew Watson, Bishop of Guildford. [www.acornchristian.org](http://www.acornchristian.org)

**MENTAL HEALTH COURSES** - Free 10 week evening course in Pastoral & Spiritual Care at Farnham Road Hospital, Guildford from September 13<sup>th</sup> to November 22<sup>nd</sup>, email [richard.adams@sabp.nhs.uk](mailto:richard.adams@sabp.nhs.uk)

**Also:** Free 2 day course in mental health for the Armed Forces. Mondays 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> November. [annie.denton@rushmoor.gov.uk](mailto:annie.denton@rushmoor.gov.uk)

**THE MIKADO** - Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September, 7.30pm - Fleet Parish Opera Chorus and Orchestra present "The Mikado" at Ss Philip and James Church. Tickets £12.50 (including refreshments after the concert) from Anne Smith (624171, [anne.smith33@btinternet.com](mailto:anne.smith33@btinternet.com)) or the Office.

**FOODBANK** - would be pleased to receive, long-life milk and fruit juice, tinned sponge pudding, pasta sauce, jam, marmalade, tea, coffee, instant mash and tinned fruit.

**MONEY AND UNIVERSITY** - a well received course on money management on Wednesdays 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm at Church on the Heath. See the video on this link for further information. - <https://capuk.org/get-involved/your-church/cap-money-course/students>

**ALL SAINTS SCHOOL NEWSPAPER** - is available at the back of both churches

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### Readings for Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2017 Ninth Sunday after Trinity

#### First Reading

**Genesis 37.1-4,12-28** <sup>1</sup>Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. <sup>2</sup>This is the story of the family of Jacob.

Joseph, being seventeen years

old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. <sup>3</sup>Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son

of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. <sup>4</sup>But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

<sup>12</sup>Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem.

<sup>13</sup>And Israel said to Joseph, 'Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them.' He answered, 'Here I am.' <sup>14</sup>So he said to him, 'Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me.' So he sent him from the valley of Hebron.

He came to Shechem, <sup>15</sup>and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, 'What are you seeking?' <sup>16</sup>'I am seeking my brothers,' he said; 'tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock.'

<sup>17</sup>The man said, 'They have gone away, for I heard them say, "Let us go to Dothan."' So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. <sup>18</sup>They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him.

<sup>19</sup>They said to one another, 'Here comes this dreamer. <sup>20</sup>Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams.' <sup>21</sup>But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, 'Let us not take his life.' <sup>22</sup>Reuben said to

them, 'Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him' – that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. <sup>23</sup>So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; <sup>24</sup>and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

<sup>25</sup>Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. <sup>26</sup>Then Judah said to his brothers, 'What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? <sup>27</sup>Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh.' And his brothers agreed. <sup>28</sup>When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

### **Comment**

*A further reason for the brothers' enmity (omitted from this reading) was Joseph's dream that his brothers' stooks of corn lay prostrate under his upright one. Later generations saw in the following events God's salvation working through men's misdeeds and chance happenings.*

## **Psalm 105.1-6,16-22,45b**

**Refrain: Sing to the Lord, sing praises to him.**

<sup>1</sup> O give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;  
make known his deeds among the peoples.

<sup>2</sup> Sing to him, sing praises, and tell of all his marvellous works.

<sup>3</sup> Rejoice in the praise of his holy name;  
let the hearts of them rejoice who seek the Lord.

**Sing to the Lord, sing praises to him.**

<sup>4</sup> Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his face continually.

<sup>5</sup> Remember the marvels he has done,  
his wonders and the judgements of his mouth,

<sup>6</sup> O seed of Abraham his servant, O children of Jacob his chosen.

**Sing to the Lord, sing praises to him.**

<sup>16</sup> Then he called down famine over the land  
and broke every staff of bread.

<sup>17</sup> But he had sent a man before them, Joseph, who was sold as a slave.

<sup>18</sup> They shackled his feet with fetters; his neck was ringed with iron.

<sup>19</sup> Until all he foretold came to pass, the word of the Lord tested him.

**Sing to the Lord, sing praises to him.**

<sup>20</sup> The king sent and released him; the ruler of peoples set him free.

<sup>21</sup> He appointed him lord of his household and ruler of all he possessed,

<sup>22</sup> To instruct his princes as he willed  
and to teach his counsellors wisdom.

<sup>45</sup> That they might keep his statutes and faithfully observe his laws.  
Alleluia.

**Sing to the Lord, sing praises to him.**

**Comment** *Psalm 105 recalls the history of the Jews in the Old Testament; verses 16 –22 describes part of the story of Joseph.*

## **Second Reading Romans 10.5-15**

<sup>5</sup>Moses writes concerning the  
righteousness that comes from the

law, that ‘the person who does  
these things will live by them.’ <sup>6</sup>But  
the righteousness that comes from  
faith says, ‘Do not say in your  
heart, “Who will ascend into

heaven?” (that is, to bring Christ down)<sup>7</sup> or “Who will descend into the abyss?” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead).<sup>8</sup> But what does it say?

‘The word is near you,  
on your lips and in your heart’ (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim);<sup>9</sup> because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.<sup>10</sup> For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved.<sup>11</sup> The scripture says, ‘No one who believes in him will be put to shame.’<sup>12</sup> For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him.<sup>13</sup> For, ‘Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

<sup>14</sup>But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him?<sup>15</sup> And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, ‘How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!’

**Comment** *A brief paraphrase of this passage would be: When living by the Law one would need to seek Jesus both in Heaven and in the Abyss but in truth there is no need because for anyone who*

*believes ‘the word is near you, on your lips and in your heart’.*

## **Gospel Reading** **Matthew 14.22-33**

Immediately after feeding the crowd with the five loaves and two fish,<sup>22</sup> Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.<sup>23</sup> And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone,<sup>24</sup> but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them.<sup>25</sup> And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake.<sup>26</sup> But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, ‘It is a ghost!’ And they cried out in fear.<sup>27</sup> But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, ‘Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.’

<sup>28</sup>Peter answered him, ‘Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.’<sup>29</sup> He said, ‘Come.’ So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus.<sup>30</sup> But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, ‘Lord, save me!’<sup>31</sup> Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, ‘You of little faith, why did you doubt?’<sup>32</sup> When they got into the boat, the wind ceased.<sup>33</sup> And

those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

**Comment** When comparing this with Mark's more straight forward account one sees that Matthew is putting an implied theological

*gloss on his narrative. The wind can be seen as the hostile forces of this world, overcoming the waves as victory over death and Peter's doubt as the precursor to his later acclamation of faith.*

## **ALL SAINTS UPDATE**

- There will be another report after the holiday period.

**DATES AHEAD** - 23<sup>rd</sup> September Harvest Supper at P&J  
21<sup>st</sup> October Salsa evening

## **KEEPING IN TOUCH** . . . .

**Visitors and Newcomers:** If you are new to our church, we welcome you - please fill in one of our contact cards (available from the duty warden at the door) so we can be in touch.

**Hospital and home visits:** If you know of anybody who is in hospital or housebound and would appreciate a visit, contact the Parish Office.

**Pastoral Assistants:** Should you have a pastoral need or any other kind of a problem and wish for a listening ear, there is a Pastoral Assistant available after the 10.00am service. Please ask the duty warden at the door for more information.

**For any other need, suggestion or query**, see contacts below:

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