

St Michael, St Martin & St Andrew  
Churches

Stokenham - Sherford - Beesands



# Parish Pewsheet

15th Sunday after Trinity



**'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me' (Mark 8: 34)**

## **Welcome to our Parish Worship!**

**TODAY Sunday 12th September**  
**Celebrant and Preacher Fr Michael Berrett for**  
**The 15th Sunday after Trinity**

**10:00am Eucharist**  
**St Michaels, Stokenham**

**Celebrant and Preacher Fr Mark Kichenside**  
**11:00am Eucharist**  
**St Martins, Sherford**

If you are joining us for the first time please introduce yourself!

Masks and social distancing to be observed. You are very welcome!

Take away this pewsheet for reflection but leave the service booklet in your pew.

### **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September**

10:00am Eucharist (Said)  
St Michaels, Stokenham

### **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September**

10:00am Eucharist  
St Michaels, Stokenham

6:00pm Evensong  
St Martins, Sherford

### **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**

10:00am Eucharist (Said)  
St Michaels, Stokenham

### **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September**

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP)  
St Michaels, Stokenham

11:00am Parish Eucharist  
St Martins, Sherford

*No Public Morning & Evening Prayer.*

## This week we hold in our Prayers

Alison Shaw, Rural Dean of Woodleigh...the Start Bay Benefice ...community organisations & their plans for the autumn...peace & stability in Afghanistan... refugees...Stokenham Area Primary School... local businesses...refugees...victims of the flooding in the USA... NHS workers & carers.

The sick – those suffering from covid... ..the lonely and the isolated...

The Revd Richard Harding, Sarah Davey, Keith Ward, Ria Skirton, Sheila Blake, Bobby Parsons, Joan Peters, Gill Mickel, Evelyn Hedger, Keith and Jackie Rollinson, Katherine Yandell, Marjorie Godden, Ray & Rosemary Clarke and Clara Davies...

Those whose anniversaries we keep at this time; Dorothy Bergman, Jack Read, Mary Avery, Stuart Cooke, Jim Tonkin, Valerie Jennings, Audrey Abson, Edna Skelton.

**Judith's Farewell** As I am sure you know, Judith has decided not to return as our organist. Judith does not want a lot of fuss so we will be having a small informal gathering to thank her for her service to the church. This will be tea and cake on Thursday 16th September 2pm to 3.30 in The Old Exchange.

**Fr Michael** will be on holiday from 13<sup>th</sup> September to 24<sup>th</sup> September. He will not be able to reply to any phone messages or emails until his return. Please contact Sue McKenzie (580878) or the office (580860) in the meantime.

**Date for your diary:** *Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 5pm.*

As a Parish we celebrate the Patronal Festival of S Michael & All Angels. (The actual day is 29<sup>th</sup> September but we are allowed to transfer it to the Sunday!) We have a visiting preacher Fr Peter March, Vicar of All Saints Torre and Area Dean of Torbay, and a visiting organist. Let's hope we can sing and have some refreshments afterwards by then.

*Lets aim to make it a whole parish family celebration and watch this space!*

## Wednesday 15th September 10.00am St Michaels Stokenham The Eucharist (said)

A quiet reflective service with short address and coffee afterwards!  
This may be for you, particularly if you feel more comfortable with a quieter service, with more space and fewer people.

*Do join us and tell others this service has started again!*



## Covid Update:

Please, for the time being, continue to:

Come wearing face masks

Use hand sanitizer

S Martins Sherford will now be open daily, but there will be no additional daily cleaning so visitors must please be aware of this particularly if they are in any way more vulnerable to infection. We are not yet singing at S Michaels.

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If you need any help, please contact the Parish Office.

**Communion Motet:** It is a Thing Most Wonderful- Morre

**Voluntary:** Prelude & Fugue 'S Anne' (Bach) played by - Christophe Mantoux  
on the organ at Saint-Séverin, Paris



# Sunday

12 September 2021

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

## COLLECT

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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.

## FIRST READING **Isaiah 50:4-9a** *A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.*

The servant of the Lord said: The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens – wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

## PSALM **Psalm 116:1-8**

**R** *I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.*

I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him. The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; I came to grief and sorrow. **R**

Then I called upon the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray you, save my life." Gracious is the Lord and righteous; our God is full of compassion. **R** The Lord watches over the innocent;

I was brought very low and he helped me. Turn again to your rest, O my soul, for the Lord has treated you well. **R** For you have rescued my life from death, my eyes from tears and my feet from stumbling. I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living. **R**

3 Jesus is Lord! O'er sin the mighty conqueror,  
from death he rose and all his foes shall own his name.  
Jesus is Lord! God sends his Holy Spirit  
to show by works of power that Jesus is Lord.  
*Chorus*

*David J Mansell (born 1936)*

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## **Will you come and follow me**

*sung by St Martin's Voices*

1 Will you come and follow me  
if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know  
and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown,  
will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown,  
in you and you in me?

2 Will you leave yourself behind  
if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind  
and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare  
should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer  
in you and you in me?

3 Will you love the 'you' you hide  
if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside  
and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found  
to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound  
in you and you in me?

4 Lord, your summons echoes true  
when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you  
and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go  
where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow  
in you and you in me.

*John L Bell (born 1949) and Graham Maule (1958-2019)*

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THE CHURCH  
OF ENGLAND



## **Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation** *sung by St Martin's Voices*

- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;  
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:  
all ye who hear,  
now to his temple draw near,  
joining in glad adoration.
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
shieldeth thee gently from harm, or when fainting sustaineth:  
hast thou not seen  
how thy heart's wishes have been  
granted in what he ordaineth?
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee:  
ponder anew  
what the Almighty can do,  
if to the end he befriend thee.
- 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!  
Let the Amen  
sound from his people again:  
gladly for aye we adore him!

*Joachim Neander (1650-1680), translated by Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878),  
adapted by the compilers of Hymns Ancient and Modern. (Public Domain)*

## **Jesus is Lord! Creation's voice proclaims it** *sung by St Martin's Voices*

- 1 Jesus is Lord! Creation's voice proclaims it,  
for by his power each tree and flower was planned and made.  
Jesus is Lord! The universe declares it.  
Sun, moon and stars in heaven cry Jesus is Lord!  
*Jesus is Lord! Jesus is Lord!*  
*Praise him with alleluias for Jesus is Lord!*
- 2 Jesus is Lord! Yet from his throne eternal  
in flesh he came to die in pain on Calvary's tree.  
Jesus is Lord! From him all life proceeding,  
yet gave his life a ransom thus setting us free.  
*Chorus*

## **SECOND READING** James 3:1-12

*A reading from the letter of James.* Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue – a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

## **GOSPEL** Mark 8:27-38

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.*

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” Jesus asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly.

And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

## **POST COMMUNION**

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.