

Ordinary Time

1st September 2024

Trinity 14



StMARY *with* StALBAN
PARISH CHURCH *of* TEDDINGTON

THE GATHERING

- 1 O worship the King, all glorious above;
O gratefully sing his power and his love;
our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendour and girded with praise.
- 2 O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;
his chariots of wrath the deep thunder clouds form,
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
- 3 The earth with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, thy power hath founded of old;
hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,
and round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.
- 4 Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.
- 5 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;
thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.
- 6 O measureless might, ineffable love,
while angels delight to hymn thee above,
thy humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
with true adoration shall sing to thy praise.

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you

All and also with you.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**All Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

All Amen. Lord, have mercy.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

My brothers and sisters, as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ in word and sacrament, let us call to mind and confess our sins.

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, ✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS – *The Mass of St. Thomas, David Thorne*

Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory to God in the highest!

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth;

Lord God, Heavenly King; Almighty God and Father.

We worship you; we give you thanks; We praise you for your glory.

Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory to God in the highest.

Lord Jesus Christ; Holy Son of the Father.

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world

Have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory to God in the highest.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord.

You alone are the Most High; Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit,

✠ In the glory of God the Father.

Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory to God in the highest.

THE COLLECT FOR THE WEEK *The Collect is said after a short period of silence*

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING – *Deuteronomy 4.1–2, 6–9, read by a member of the congregation*

So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. ²You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God with which I am charging you. ⁶You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, ‘Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!’⁷For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is whenever we call to him? ⁸And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today?

But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children’s children—

This is the word of the Lord,

All Thanks be to God

THE SECOND READING – *James 1.17–27, read by the subdeacon*

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.¹⁸ In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰for your anger does not produce God's righteousness.²¹ Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. ²³For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; ²⁴for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. ²⁵But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. ²⁷Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

This is the word of the Lord,

All Thanks be to God

GRADUAL HYMN

1. O strength and stay upholding all creation,
who ever dost thyself unmoved abide,
yet day by day the light in due gradation
from hour to hour through all its changes guide;
- 2.. Grant to life's day a calm unclouded ending,
an eve untouched by shadows of decay,
the brightness of a holy death-bed blending
with dawning glories of the eternal day.
3. Hear us, O Father, gracious and forgiving,
through Jesus Christ thy co-eternal Word,
who with the Holy Ghost by all things living
now and to endless ages art adored.

GOSPEL READING - *Mark 7.1–8, 14, 15, 21–23*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, ²they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. ³(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; ⁴and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) ⁵So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, ‘Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?’ ⁶He said to them, ‘Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

“This people honours me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;
in vain do they worship me,
teaching human precepts as doctrines.”

You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.’

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, ‘Listen to me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.’ ²¹For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, ²²adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

OFFERTORY HYMN

1. Hail to the Lord's Anointed,
great David's greater Son!
hail, in the time appointed,
his reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression,
to set the captive free,
to take away transgression,
and rule in equity.

2. He comes with succour speedy
to those who suffer wrong;
to help the poor and needy,
and bid the weak be strong;
to give them songs for sighing,
their darkness turn to light,
whose souls, condemned and dying,
were precious in his sight.

5. O'er every foe victorious,
he on his throne shall rest;
from age to age more glorious,
all-blessing and all-blest:
the tide of time shall never
his covenant remove;
his name shall stand for ever,
his changeless name of love.

3. He shall come down like showers
upon the fruitful earth,
and love, joy, hope, like flowers,
spring in his path to birth:
before him on the mountains
shall peace, the herald, go;
and righteousness in fountains
from hill to valley flow.

4. Kings shall bow down before him,
and gold and incense bring;
all nations shall adore him,
his praise all people sing:
to him shall prayer unceasing
and daily vows ascend;
his kingdom still increasing,
a kingdom without end.

Generous God, creator, redeemer and sustainer, at your table we present this money, symbol of the work you have given us to do; use it, use us, in the service of your world to the glory of your name

All **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you

All **and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. From sunrise to sunset this day is holy, for Christ has risen from the tomb and scattered the darkness of death with light that will not fade.

This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people, unfolds for us your word, and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread. And though the night will overtake this day you summon us to live in endless light, the never ceasing sabbath of the Lord.

And so, with choirs of angels and with all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending song of praise:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!
✠ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit ✠, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: *Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.*

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: *Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.*

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Alban the Martyr, Peter and Paul your Apostles, and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rejoicing in the presence of God here among us, and as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Everyone is welcome to come forward for Holy Communion or a blessing.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

All Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

The Notices are given

SENDING OUT

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

1. Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not,
as thou hast been thou for ever wilt be.

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!

*Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided,
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*

2. Summer and winter, and spring-time and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen

The ministers and people depart.

NOTICES:

All groups are back in action this month, with September's details below for you.

Go to the website for any additional information: www.teddingtonparish.org

Feel free to join any of the groups or events, as all come with an open invitation and please bring a friend. Also a few new events to book onto: the Quiz & Curry Night is a fund-raiser for Building Anew, along with the School Disco. And come and support the churchyard on the 5th.

Coffee & Craft and Children's Church both return next Sunday, 8th September.

Grown Ups School Disco!
28th September
6.30pm in Parish Hall



Live music, an epic 80's and 90's DJ set and bowl food from an ex-Jamie Oliver chef. The bar will be serving everything from prosecco to margaritas.

Come and celebrate getting the kids back to school!

Tickets: £45 - buy now using this QR code and get a free drink. Tuck shop and treats are on us!

NEW! Quiz & Curry Night
Saturday 5th October from
7.00pm in Parish Hall



Book now! Teddington's Quiz of The Year - with experienced Quiz Master, Mark, a super-tasty curry from local restaurant Prem, and a bar to keep you fuelled through the rounds. Enter as a team of 8 or buy your ticket(s) and be added to a team. Scan the QR code to book your places, or sign-up at the back of church. Tickets: £25 to include the quiz & curry.



Buy a Brick

Less than 30 bricks remaining of the 100 Limited Edition fundraising bricks, each £100, to be part of the legacy of this historic community project. Please scan the QR code.

Back from holidays?
We'd love your foreign
currency for Building Anew

Thank you for all your support so far. Please place donations in an envelope (with gift aid info if you can) and in the plate on Sunday or drop into the Parish Office.

Drinks in the Churchyard
Thursday 5th September
5.30pm 'til Dusk
Contact Alexandra Ruffer:
alex@teddingtonparish.org

Come and enjoy a glass of wine, nibbles and a walk through the churchyard to consider which areas could do with a bit more love. Bring your friends and dogs welcome. We are looking for more help with the churchyard, and for more graves to be adopted in this surprisingly sociable place.

Choral Evensong
Sunday 15th September

6.00pm in St Mary with St Alban Church
To include music by Purcell and Ayleward.

Mon 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th
Community Café
Open every Monday
including Bank Holidays

1.30-4.00pm at the Peter & Paul Centre This Award-winning café has great quality hot and cold drinks, and delicious home-made cakes. Offering a place to find sanctuary, enjoy and friendly chat and find out about community activities/services.

Tuesday 3rd & 17th
Memory Café
Held first and third Tuesdays



1.30-3.00pm at the Peter & Paul Centre Come along if you are living with memory problems, care for someone who is, or just enjoy a good chat, a singsong or a quiz.

Wednesday 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th Church Mice Toddler Service Each Wednesday	10.30-11.15am in SMwSA Church (for all pre-schoolers) Music, singing, Bible stories and prayers, resulting in lots of noise, and great fun! Refreshments and play after the service.
Wednesday 4th First Wednesday Discussion Monthly	12.45-2.15pm Mina Hogan Room Bring your packed lunch. Topic: <i>Same Sex Marriage Service - where do we stand?</i> Tea & coffee provided.
Wednesday 4th Pints Of View Every month	8.00pm Tide End Pub An opportunity to gather at the same time each month, for unscripted, agenda-free and committee-free fellowship over a pint or equivalent.
Thursday 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th Holy Dusters Runs weekly	10.00-11.00am in SMwSA Come along for fellowship and to keep the church spick and span. Then on for a coffee and chat. Drop in each week or when you can.
Thur 5th, Tue 10th & 24th Parish Socials Three a month	5th: Coffee on Zoom at 10.30am 10th: Lunch at Piazza Firenze, 12noon 24th: Coffee at Shambles, 10.30am
Thursday 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th Traherne Reading Group 3-sessions each year, for 6 weeks at a time	1.30-3.00pm in Mina Hogan Room (thru to Thurs 10 Oct) Discuss and enjoy the work of the poet and mystic, Thomas Traherne (1633-1674) who is buried in our church, as well as works of Henry Vaughan, George Herbert and John Donne.
Saturday 7th Parish Plod Once a month	Woodside Pk to Elstree. Leave Teddington @9.30am. Next stage of current walk: St Paul's to St Albans Cathedral. Email enquiries@teddingtonparish.org to be added to WhatsApp Group.
Tuesday 10th & 24th Plain and Pearl 2 nd & 4 th Tuesday each month	7.30-9.30pm Mina Hogan Room Friendly & social, for all interested in crafts. 10 th September: felt decoration workshop. Use this QR Code to book. 
Thursday 19th & Saturday 21st Churchyard Gardening Meets twice a month	10.00am-12noon Churchyard Working on a pre-arranged plan of tidying and keeping it looking more attractive. Just enthusiasm and energy needed. Please turn up on the day.
Looking ahead	Harvest Sunday: 6th October Traherne 350: 7th-13th October, anniversary celebrations of Thomas Traherne, buried in this church, 1674.

Ways to donate to us

St Mary with St Alban
Building Anew




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