




JUBILATE



The Magazine of the Chaplaincy  of Christ the Good Shepherd,
Poitou-Charentes

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WELCOME TO AUTUMN

After four months of solid sunshine, it is raining here in sunny Lezay.

I remember Shakespeare's words:

'The quality of mercy is not strained - it droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven upon the place beneath'

This rain - as with the sunshine - is a gift from God.

But better still is His mercy towards us.

Let us, with a gladsome mind,
Praise the Lord, for He is kind:
For His mercies shall endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

He with all-commanding might,
Filled the new-made world with light;
For His mercies shall endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

All things living He doth feed,
His full hand supplies their need
For His mercies shall endure
Ever faithful, ever sure.

He, His chosen race did bless
In the wasteful wilderness:
For His mercies shall endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

He hath, with a piteous eye,
Looked upon our misery
For His mercies shall endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

Let us, then, with gladsome mind,
Praise the Lord, for He is kind:
For His mercies shall endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

CHAPLAINCY WORSHIP DURING OCTOBER

Sunday 2nd:

Morning Worship at 10.30 in the Church Rooms in Champagne Mouton
Holy Communion in the Church at Courcelles (11.00)

Sunday 9th:

Morning Worship (not Holy Communion) at 10.30 in Cognac Temple
Morning Worship at 11.00 in the Church of Christ the Good Shepherd,
Chef Boutonne.

Sunday 16th: A service on Zoom



<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3145287597?pwd=UVJDNTVpZzJXSnFWYTk2ZFhBMW5Zdz09>

The Meeting ID is **314 528 7597** The Passcode is **CGShepherd**

Sunday 23rd:

Morning Worship (not Holy Communion) in Chef Boutonne at **11.00**

Note – The services on 9th (Cognac) and 23rd (Chef Boutonne) are Morning Worship because Revd.Nicky Marshall, currently our sole member of the clergy with permission to officiate at Holy Communion, will be away on holiday.

Sunday 30th:

Information unavailable at time of going to press.

Please consult the Chaplaincy website www.churchinfrance.com in due course

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LOOKING AHEAD

The Remembrance Service on Sunday 13th November in Cognac will involve the participation of members of the Mothers' Union.

Words from your Warden

Hello

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who offered their prayers and their kind thoughts during my recent unexpected health problem.

I am progressing well and will soon be back to full strength.

The Chaplaincy is also progressing well. We have had positive meetings and I will have more news in the next edition of Jubilate.

If any of you have ideas for Christmas fund raising, please contact me by email before our council meeting on the 11th of October.

chaplaincychurchwarden1@gmail.com.

Thank you again.

With Love

Carolyn.

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Bibles in our Worship Centres.

Some people have commented that generally we do not have Bibles for people to use within our Worship Centres. We have recently taken up the offer from the UK Bible Society of 20 copies of the Bible, New International Version, for use in churches, at a very advantageous price. These have now been purchased, and 5 copies are available in each of our usual Worship Centres.

Therefore, if you like to have a Bible with you at services, one will be available when you enter. If they prove very popular, we can of course look into ordering more.

Thank you to Geoff Cornwall, who collected them while on holiday in Jersey. 20 Bibles are rather heavy, so thank you, Geoff!

Did you know that the King James (Authorized Version) of the Bible was first published in 1609 ? It contained 80 books.

It was revised to the 66 books we know in 1611, the books of the Apocrypha having been removed as not fully worthy.

Have you ever read the Apocrypha? Why not look it up online and have a read.!



PRAYER MEETING: The October Prayer Meeting is on Monday 3rd. October at 3 p.m. in The Church of Christ the Good Shepherd, Chef Boutonne.

There used to be a saying that "An army marched on its stomach", well I think many of us would say that "The Church marches on its prayer life!" Please come and pray for our Chaplaincy as well as many other important topics and for those known to us and others who are in need of prayer. You will be most welcome.



IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT OUR 'ALPHA' COURSE

To assist those wishing to attend the Alpha course, it is NOT now going to be in Church at Chef Boutonne, but on line via Zoom. The simple reason for this change is the size of our Chaplaincy. Some who wish to attend would spend more time travelling than the length of the meeting! Therefore, it has been decided that by conducting the course on line, more people will be able to attend and it also means that it can be in an evening as people wouldn't have to travel in the dark evenings. The new arrangement is that **Alpha will begin on Thursday 10th. November at 6p.m. on Zoom.** The Zoom link will be the usual one that is used for all our meetings and our monthly Zoom service. To register, please contact Roy Carter by email on: reverendr.carter200@gmail.com as soon as possible to reserve your place. Many thanks, Roy



Did you notice ? Roy's email address has recently changed.
As above, it is now: reverendr.carter200@gmail.com

SUNDAY 2nd October The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collects

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers
of your people who call upon you;
and grant that they may both perceive and know
what things they ought to do,
and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them;
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.

(or)

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

LECTIONARY BIBLE READINGS FOR THE DAY

(These may differ from those chosen for our Church services)

Psalm 141

Eyes fixed on God

Jeremiah chapter 5 verses 1 to 19

A sad picture

Titus chapter 2 verse 1 to chapter 3 verse 7

Doing good for the sake of the Gospel

Gospel of Luke chapter 11 verses 1 to 28

Jesus is teaching about Prayer and the work of the Devil

Sunday 9th October

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Collects

Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city
where we shall see you face to face;
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.

(or)

Gracious God,
you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
and banish our anxieties
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord.

LECTIONARY BIBLE READINGS FOR THE DAY

Psalm 66 verses 1 to 11

Praising God for all He has done

2 Kings chapter 1 verses 1-15

Elisha and Naaman

2 Timothy chapter 2 verses 8 to 15

Enduring for the sake of the Truth

Gospel of Luke chapter 17 verses 8-19

One out of ten says 'Thank you'

Sunday 16th October

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collects

Almighty and everlasting God,
increase in us your gift of faith
that, forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to that which is before,
we may run the way of your commandments
and win the crown of everlasting joy;
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.

(or)

God, our judge and saviour,
teach us to be open to your truth
and to trust in your love,
that we may live each day
with confidence in the salvation which is given
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

LECTIONARY BIBLE READINGS FOR THE DAY

Psalm 147

The Lord delights in those who fear Him

Jeremiah chapter 26

Jeremiah prophecies to the House of Judah

1 Peter chapter 1 verse 22 to chapter 2 verse 10

Come to Him, the living Stone

Gospel of Luke chapter 12 verses 1 to 34

Warnings, Encouragements, Do not worry

Sunday 23rd October

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collects

O God, forasmuch as without you
we are not able to please you;
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
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.

(or)

Faithful Lord,
whose steadfast love never ceases
and whose mercies never come to an end:
grant us the grace to trust you
and to receive the gifts of your love,
new every morning,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

LECTIONARY BIBLE READINGS FOR THE DAY

Psalm 65

God answers prayers of His bounty

Joel chapter 2 verses 23 to 32

“I will pour out my Spirit”

2 Timothy chapter 4 verses 6 to 8

I have fought the good fight

Gospel of Luke chapter 14 verses 1 to 14

A parable about humility

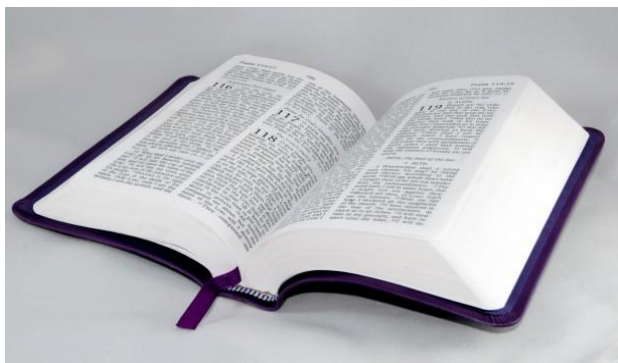
In some churches, the 19th Sunday after Trinity is regarded as the *Last Sunday* and may also be kept as **BIBLE SUNDAY**.

The following **Collects** may be used:

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,
we may embrace and for ever hold fast
the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

(or)

Merciful God,
teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty,
that trusting in your word
and obeying your will
we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord.



“Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.”

Psalm 119 verse 105

Sunday 30th October

4th Sunday before Advent (Trinity 20)

Collects

Almighty and eternal God,
you have kindled the flame of love
in the hearts of the saints:
grant to us the same faith and power of love,
that, as we rejoice in their triumphs,
we may be sustained by their example and fellowship;
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.

(or)

God of glory,
touch our lips with the fire of your Spirit,
that we with all creation
may rejoice to sing your praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

LECTIONARY BIBLE READINGS FOR THE DAY

Psalm 32

Repentance, Forgiveness, Guidance

Isaiah chapter 1 verses 10 to 18

Warning against meaningless 'worship'

2 Thessalonians chapter 1

Thanksgiving and Prayer

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"SUMMERTIME" ENDS - Don't get caught out - put your clocks **back**
by **ONE HOUR** before you go to bed on Saturday night 29th October -
otherwise you may have a long wait outside church on Sunday morning.



OLD NEWS

It seems a long time ago now, but on the 2nd of September, Chris and Sharon Green held a ‘Tapas’ Lunch in their garden which raised over 300 euros for this year’s Chaplaincy Chosen Charity – Médecins Sans Frontières.
THANK YOU.

NEWER NEWS

Update on Calais. (from Revd.Nicky Marshall)

We eventually managed to get my barnful of donations taken to Calais, where they were greatly appreciated.

As donations and volunteers at the moment are very low, they were particularly pleased. Thank you so much to all who contributed in any way.

Blankets, toiletries and warm clothes are still desperately needed, so please, keep stuff coming.



OBSERVATION:

Although “Care4Calais” was *last year’s* chosen chaplaincy charity, the need has not gone away. Nor has the need to support Médecins Sans Frontières

Monetary gifts to ANY of our charities can be placed in the offering at Church - in a marked envelope with cheques being made payable to ‘CATCH’.

AND DON’T FORGET THE CHAPLAINCY ITSELF – if we are to be able to afford to appoint a new Chaplain, we need considerable financial support.

LUNCH AFTER CHURCH

This is becoming a regular event after worship in Chef Boutonne on the 4th Sunday of each month.

Just one change for 23rd October – bookings this month are being taken by Jane Thomas.

The choice is: Sunday Roast
Steak & Guinness Pie
Coq au Vin

Please contact Jane janethomas.864@gmail.com by the 19th of October to book your place at the table

Or ring Stuart at the Restaurant des Canards on 05 49 29 73 46

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