

**Welcome to St.
Matthew's
15th Sunday after Trinity
12th September 2021
With Baptisms of
Arlo Samuel Lane**

Introit Hymn
O worship the king.
754

Offertory Hymn
Praise you the lord ye
heavens adore him.
761

Communion Hymn
Colours of the day
dawn into mind
27

Dismissal Hymn
New Every morning
is the love
4

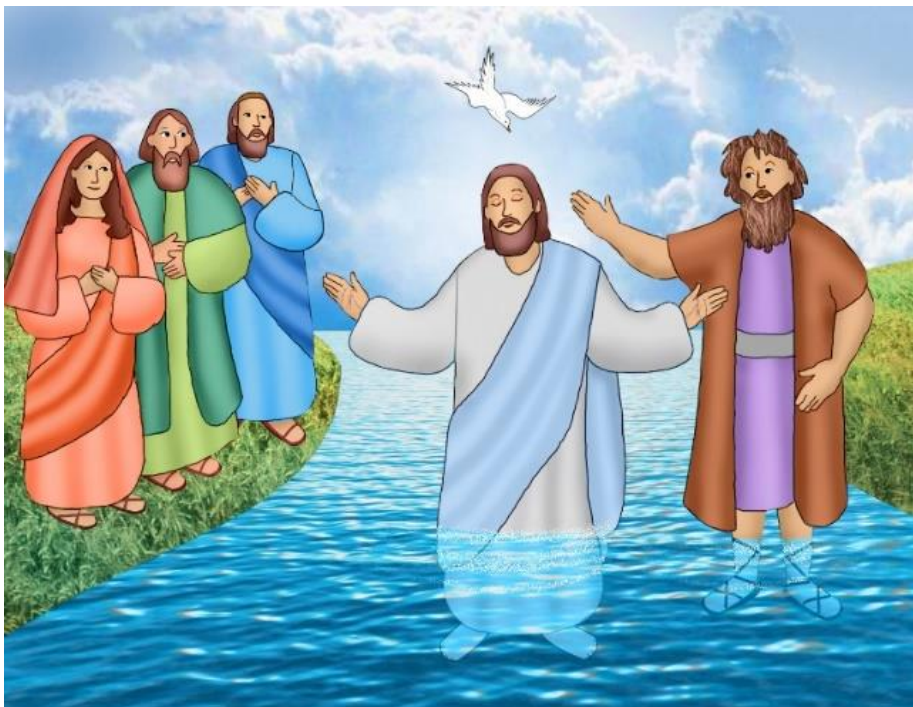
**Welcome
back again
to Father
Jim**

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.

AMEN



A Reading from the Book 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. ⁹With 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. *This is the word of the Lord* Thanks be to God.

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.’ He 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.' *This is the Gospel of the Lord Praise to you, O Christ.*

Sermon

Baptism

Intercessions

Peace

Offertory Hymn

Eucharist

Communion Hymn

Lighting of the Baptismal candle

Blessing

Final hymn



SERVICES 12th September– 19th September

Tuesday – Friday 10am-11am Church open for private prayer

Tuesday 14th Sept 8pm Phone in service

Wednesday 15th Sept 8pm Phone in service

Friday 17th Sept. 12 noon said Mass in Church

Next Sunday 19th September 16th Sunday after Trinity 10am

Eucharist. Cannon Andy Delmege

**Please join us after the Sunday service for
coffee/ tea/ Biscuits in the Lounge**



Notices. St. Matthew's day is being celebrated on Sunday 26th September and our harvest festival on Sunday 10th October. Both at 10am with food in the hall afterwards for both events. Our Christmas Fair will be on Saturday 27th November as long as covid restrictions allow. Look out for the boxes in the Church to put any goods into. You can continue to make Contributions to the food bank by putting any goods in the basket by the door. The Young at Heart group are running social meetings for the over 55's at St. Matthew's on Tuesdays. See our web site or phone 0121 572 5565 or 07486 938 960 for further details.

Coronavirus. Although restrictions have now been lifted, we are still mindful that the virus has not gone away. We will still be taking names at the door. It is no longer law to socially distance, but we would ask that you continue to do so in Church. We are now having congregational singing but although it is not compulsory, please wear your mask when you are not singing, receiving communion, or reading. The peace will still be a wave and for the moment Communion will be given in one kind, bread only. Please sanitise your hands and come to the alter one at a time from each side and go back to your seat up the middle. Sunday school will now be operating. Children, please go to the Sunday School corner, and we will go out to the family room once the service starts and come back at the Peace.

DO STAY SAFE.

The Sick and Those in Need: Please contact Margaret Cox if you would like to add anyone to our prayer list.

Mon Martin & Marilyn Wall, David & Anne Gadd, Charlie Rooke

Tue John & Julie Hope, Sandra Brunt, Laura Harrison

Wed Peter Conabeer, Vera Lines, Jayne Middleton, Paul Phipps

Thu Joan Farr, Ruby Matthews, Shirley Woodley

Fri Dorothy Lawrence, Dai & Lal Gravell, Doreen Coles

Sat Beryl Murray, Barbara Linley, Andrew & Gail Walker, Tony Kyte