

The 14th Sunday after Trinity
13th September 2020

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Our help is in the name of the Lord
Who made heaven and earth

Hymn:

Beloved in Christ, we come together
to offer to Almighty God
our worship and praise and
thanksgiving, to confess our sins
and to receive God's forgiveness, to hear his holy word proclaimed,
to bring before him our needs and the needs of the world, and to
pray that in the power of his Spirit we may serve him and know the
greatness of his love.

Let us confess our sins to God our Father. Kneel.
Silence is kept.

**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; by what we have done and by
what we have failed to do. 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.**

Merciful Lord, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that
we may be cleansed from our sins, and serve you with a quiet mind;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



Proclaiming and Receiving the Word - We Stand

O Lord, open our lips

and our mouth will proclaim your praise.

God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.

Praise the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

Psalm 114

When Israel came out of Egypt,

the house of Jacob from a people of a strange tongue,

Judah became his sanctuary,

Israel his dominion.

The sea saw that, and fled;

Jordan was driven back.

The mountains skipped like rams,

the little hills like young sheep.

What ailed you, O sea, that you fled?

O Jordan, that you were driven back?

You mountains, that you skipped like rams,

you little hills like young sheep?

Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord,

at the presence of the God of Jacob,

Who turns the hard rock into a pool of water,

the flint-stone into a springing well.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.

The First lesson : Romans 14: 1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.'

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

The Canticle : Jubilate

O shout to the Lord in triumph all the earth;
serve the Lord with gladness and come before his face with songs of joy.

Know that the Lord he is God;

it is he who has made us and we are his we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Come into his gates with thanksgiving

and into his courts with praise;

Give thanks to him and bless his holy name.

**For the Lord is good his loving mercy is for ever,
his faithfulness throughout all generations.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end.**

Amen.

The Second Lesson: Matthew 18: 21-35

Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon - Mrs Doreen Tennis

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead.

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection
of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Let us pray - we kneel together

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom
come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily
bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against
us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the
kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever.
Amen.**

Show us your mercy, O Lord,
and grant us your salvation.
O Lord, save the Queen
and grant her government wisdom.
Let your ministers be clothed with righteousness
and let your servants shout for joy.
O Lord, save your people
and bless those whom you have chosen.
Give peace in our time, O Lord,
and let your glory be over all the earth.
O God, make clean our hearts within us
and renew us by your Holy Spirit.

The Collect for the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

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 our Lord. **Amen.**

**O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everliving God, we
give you thanks for bringing us safely to this day: Keep us from
falling into sin or running into danger, and in all things guide us
to know and do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Go before us, Lord, in all our doings, with your most gracious
favour, and further us with your continual help; that in all our
works begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your
holy name, and finally by your mercy attain everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Hymn

Prayers of Intercession

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer

As we close our prayers we keep silence.

May the God of all hope fill you with all joy & peace in believing, so
that by the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. **Amen.**

Go in peace

To love and serve the Lord. Amen.

Parish Notices

We pray for the family of Colin Fisher. Please remember his children,
Leanne and Colin in you prayers.

Our Youtube and Facebook channels are working well for folks who
are isolating at home. Google St Gall's Church to find our parish

website. Put St Gall's Church into YouTube and 'Like' and 'Subscribe' to the St Gall's channel.

Bangor Storehouse : We have begun collecting again for Storehouse. Please try and support our local food banks if you can. They make all the difference.

Christian Aid: Beirut is reeling after the explosion there has damaged so much of that city. Christian Aid are appealing for help - www.christianaid.ie to give directly. Or you can ring 9064 8133 to make a donation to the Belfast office.