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TRINITY TWELVE (PROPER 18) SUNDAY 8th SEPTEMBER 2019 Lectern Edition: 981 Pew Edition: 696 Liturgical Colour: Green

THE COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of 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 FIRST READING

Jeremiah 18.1 -11

A reading from the book of the Prophet Jeremiah

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: 'Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words.' So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. Then the word of the LORD came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the LORD. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the LORD: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil

way, and amend your ways and your doings. This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

THE PSALM

Psalm 139.1-5, 12-17

R You, O Lord, created my inward parts: you knit me together in my mothers womb.

Lord, you have searched me out and known me; you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar. You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways. **R**

Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O Lord, know it altogether. You press upon me behind and before and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it. **R**

For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I will thank you because I am marvellously made; your works are wonderful and I know it well. **R**

My body was not hidden from you, while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them. **R**

How deep I find your thoughts, O God! how great is the sum of them! If I were

to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours. **R**

THE SECOND READING Philemon 1-21

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philemon

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellowsoldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much jov and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love - and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother - especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Refresh my heart in Christ. Lord! Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL

Luke 14.25-33

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let your face shine on your servant and teach me your decrees Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Listen to the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.** Large crowds were travelling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, 'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother. wife and children. brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

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

Those baptised in the Name of the Trinity are welcome to receive Holy Communion in this church. **POST COMMUNION PRAYER.**

God of compassion, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the

Please Pray for

- In the Anglican Communion: we pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan and the Most Rev'd Ezekiel Kumir Konda.
- In the diocese we pray for the Parish of Baglan and the Priest in charge Stephen Jenkyns and the Curate Elaine Jenkyns
- We pray for all those who are sick and housebound in our Parish and for all those who receive Holy Communion at home.

If you require a visit, or are aware of anyone else who does, please advise the Parish Office or a member of the Clergy.

- We pray for all who are sick, particularly Muriel Maslin, Eve Balfour, Dawn Conrad, Maureen Dixon, Charlotte Carpenter, Christine Williams, Christopher Browner, Phillip Rosser, Isobel Brant, Helen Saunders, William Watkins, Margaret Harris, Ernie Coates, Canon Derek Belcher, Sam Baxter, Tony Arnold, Pat Arnold and Doreen Stafford.
- We pray for those who have recently departed this life, among them: David Ian Thomas, Marjorie Elizabeth Cox and Elizabeth Hannah Morris.
- We pray for those whose anniversaries fall at this time: Tudor John Davies, Alan Hugh Williams, Alan Merrick, Gillian Varley, Phyllis Ball, Jenny May, Peter Arnold Petersen, Keith Bethell Lycett, World Trade Centre -New York , Rowley Rowlands, Kate Sarah Reed, Elizabeth Chamot, James Patrick Anderson, Anthony Rees, Margaret Edwards and John Mascall Darby Curteis.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Banns of Marriage

For the second time of asking: Richard James Mansell of the Parish of St. Mary's, Calne and Hannah Louise Davies of St. Mary's Magor, both with qualifying connections to this Parish.

Notices

- Fabric Art Exhibition: Old Hall Pop up Shop, 17th to 21st Sept 10am to 4pm by the Cutting Edge Textile group.
- Penllyn Church Dog Show: Saturday 21st Sept at 2pm. All Welcome.
- Llanfrynach Pet Service: Sunday 29th Sept at 3pm All Welcome.
- Flemingston Church. Concert by Cowbridge Male Voice Choir at the Gathering Place St Athan on SATURDAY 12 October 7-30pm. Tickets (to include refreshments) £7-50. Tickets from David & Cathy Crompton 01446 751490
- The Third Order of the Society of St. Francis is holding a Quiet Day on Sat. October 26th from 10.00—16.00 which will be led by Constantina Alexander (see www. ConstantinaAlexander.com) introducing us to Icons and Icon writing—including a practical element. No artistic talent needed. If you would like to come please contact Jen Kennedy on 0791 9000747 by October 14th.

THANK YOU to everyone who sent cards for my celebrations last weekend. It was lovely to share the afternoon with so many people. Thank you for your generosity to the charities: the donations to date total just over £700 Reverend Victoria



The aim of the day is to pray, discuss, reflect and imagine what God is calling is to do and be over the next five to ten years. We are looking for groups to attend from each of our churches. More details will follow during September. Do put the date in your diary now and plan to offer your contribution to our life together.

St. Mary Church Coffee Morning third Friday in each month at the Church from 10.30am. All Welcome. (**20th September at the church).**

Ystradowen Church Social 3rd Wednesday each month, venues vary so for more info contact Sue Squire 775556

Parish Prayer Breakfast: The next monthly prayer breakfast will be on the **first** Saturday in the month (**5th October 2019**) at 8.00am **in the Taynton Room, Holy Cross.**

DIARY

Monday 9th September

Feria

19.45 Home group at Eastfield House

Tuesday 10th September

William Salesbury (1584) Translator and William Morgan (1604), Bishop and Translator

10.30 Service at Longmeadow Court14.00 Hand Bells at Taynton Room.

Wednesday 11th September

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Cowbridge Music Festival at Holy Cross.

10.00 The Eucharist at Llanblethian Common Worship page 628R They shall dwell in your tabernacle: O Lord

19.00 Cowbridge Male Voice Choir

Thursday 12th September

Feria

- 10.00 Craft Group at the Taynton Room.
- 10.30 Funeral of Marjorie Cox at St. Hilary
- 14.00 Service for Carers at Holy Cross
- 16.00 Music Festival Concert

Friday 13th September *Cyprian (258), Bishop. Doctor and Martyr*

10.00 The Eucharist at Holy CrossCommon Worship page 633R. You are my lord, my gooddepends on you.

Saturday 14th September 10.00 to 15.30 Cowbridge Music Festival at Holy Cross. 13.00 Wedding at Llansannor Church 15.00 Penllyn Church Community Café 16.00 -22.00 Holy Cross Social Evening

All of the Churches in our Parish are open daily for private prayer and devotion.

THE PARISH OFFICE

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WEEKDAY WORSHIP

The **Holy Eucharist** is celebrated in St. John's Church, Llanblethian at **10.00am on Wednesdays** (followed by a coffee morning).

The **Holy Eucharist** is celebrated in Holy Cross Parish Church at **10.00am on Fridays** (followed by a coffee morning).

PLEASE TAKE ME HOME

If you know of anyone who is sick or housebound and would like to receive Holy Communion or be visited then please let the Parish Office or one of the Clergy know as soon as possible.

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SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 8th September 2019 TRINITY TWELVE

8.00 1662 Eucharist at Holy Cross	President	Rev'd Stephen Adams
9.15 Eucharist at Llanblethian	President	Rev'd Stephen Adams
9.15 Eucharist at Llandough	President	Canon Peter Coleman
9.15 Eucharist at St Mary Church	President	Rev'd Victoria Ashley
9.15 Morning Prayer at Llansannor	Officiant	Mrs M Layton-Matthews
11.00 Morning Prayer at Penllyn	Officiant	Mrs M. Layton-Matthews
11.00 Eucharist & Baptism at Holy Cross	President	Rev'd Stephen Adams
11.00 Eucharist at Ystradowen	President	Rev'd Victoria Ashley
11.00 Morning Prayer at St Hilary	Officiants	Mr John Williams
11.15 Eucharist at Llangan	President	Canon Peter Coleman
12.30 Baptism at Penllyn	President	Rev'd Victoria Ashley
18.00 Holy Communion at Southway	Officiant	Mr John Williams
18.00 Y Cymun Bendigaid at Llanblethian	President	Rev'd Stephen Adams
18.30 Eucharist at Flemingston	President	Rev'd Victoria Ashley

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 15th SEPTEMBER 2019 TRINITY THIRTEEN

8.00 Eucharist at Holy Cross	President	Rev'd Ian Thomas
9.15 All Age Eucharist at Llanblethian	President	Rev'd Victoria Ashley
9.15 Eucharist at Llandough	President	Rev'd Ian Thomas
9.15 Eucharist at St Mary Church	President	Rev'd Roy Doxsey
11.00 Morning Prayer at Llansannor	Officiant	Mrs. M. Layton-Matthews
11.00 All Age Eucharist at Holy Cross	President	Rev'd Victoria Ashley
11.00 Morning Worship at Ystradowen	Officiant	Mr Howard Perks
11.00 Eucharist at St Hilary	President	Rev'd Roy Doxsey
11.15 Harvest Eucharist at St. Mary Hill	President	Rev'd Ian Thomas
16.30 Worship at Penllyn	President	Rev'd Victoria Ashley
18.30 Evening Prayer at Flemingston	President	Rev'd Victoria Ashley

Readings: Jeremiah 4.11-12,22-28 Psalm 14 1 Timothy 1. 12-17 Luke 15. 1-10 R: Is there any who is wise and who seeks after God? Lectionary Page 987 Pew Edition page 696

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