

Notices and updates

Saturday 25th June, 10.00am, St David's Cathedral, Pembrokeshire

Fran Croxon-Hall (formerly of this parish) is being priested for the LMA of Bro Padarn in the Diocese of St David as Assistant Curate.

If you would like to attend, please email Fran at <a href="mailto:franating-

God bless.

Gordon and Rona will be attending and will look out for anyone from St George's!



Join us for 'A Trip Down Memory Lane' with MUSIC chosen by members of the congregation

Saturday 25th June at 7pm In St George's Church Centre, Court Road

£5.00 a ticket

Can be purchased from Judy (Tel: 01452 862840)

Or pay on the door

Includes quiz and bar available to purchase drinks

Church Office telephone (01452 550554)

We are still experiencing issues with our phone, whereby there is no voicemail. If you can't get through on the phone, please email:

admin@stgeorgesbrockworth.org

We're hoping that this issue will be shortly resolved. Many apologies.

As we express our joys and concerns to God this week...

Let us be thankful and pray for those that care for our health and wellbeing; the Doctors' Surgery and all the healthcare professionals that serve our community.

Let us pray for the retired priests that also lead worship here.

Let us pray for God's blessings on Nile and Carter, who are to be baptised at St George's this Sunday.

Let us pray for the family and friends of Alexander Young and Ramon Comley; pray they would know and experience the peace, presence and comfort of Jesus.

Let us continue to pray for healing and wholeness in mind, body and spirit for Jean Corless, Mary, Emma, Joy and Bob Curzon.

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This week's diary

18 th	10.30am	Open Church Morning for our wedding couples : Church
19 th	9.00am 10.30am 12.00pm	Communion Worship Service: Church Family Worship Service : Church Centre Baptism : Church
20 th	10.00am	Parent & Toddlers' Group : Church Centre
22 nd	9.45am	Communion : Church Centre
23 rd	10.00am 7.30pm	St George's Flower Arrangers : Church Bell ringing practice : Church
25 th	7.00pm	Musical Evening : Church Centre
26 th	9.00am 10.30am 12.00pm	Communion Worship Service: Church Family Worship Service : Church Centre Baptism : Church

Keep connected with each other and with God.

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

We worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Sing: (click on the song title, and it should open up and play in YouTube) 73 Bind us together

We meet to celebrate the coming of Christ into the world. The word was made flesh and dwelt among us ... and we beheld his glory.

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.

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Gathering our thoughts, we remember and confess:

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.

Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly,
love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

May almighty God have mercy on us and forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

Take a few moments to sit and think about receiving that unconditional offering of forgiveness through grace.

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Collect

God of truth,
help us to keep your law of love
and to walk in ways of wisdom,
that we may find true life
in Jesus Christ your Son.
Amen.

Reading: 1 Kings 19:1-15 (ESV)

Elijah Flees Jezebel

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there.

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers." And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, "Arise and eat." And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, "Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you." And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

The LORD Speaks to Elijah

There he came to a cave and lodged in it. And behold, the word of the LORD came to him, and he said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." And he said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. And when Elijah heard

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it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." And the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria.

Gospel Reading: Luke 8:26-39 (ESV)

Jesus Heals a Man with a Demon

Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me." For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and drowned.

When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

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Sing: (click on the song title, and it should open up and play in YouTube) 198 For the healing of the nations

Let us declare our faith with confidence:

We believe in God the Father, who created all things: for by his will they were created and have their being.

We believe in God the Son, who was slain: for with his blood, he purchased us for God, from every tribe and language, from every people and nation. We believe in God the Holy Spirit: the Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come!' Even so come, Lord Jesus! Amen.

We pray with confidence as our saviour has taught us:

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 forever. Amen.

Sing: (click on the song title, and it should open up and play in YouTube) 275 Guide me O thou great redeemer

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above,7coming down from the Father of lights – James 1:17

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Numbers 6:24-26 May the LORD bless you and protect you.

May the LORD smile on you and be gracious to you.

May the LORD show you his favor and give you his peace.

Our worship has ended, but our service now begins. Let us go in peace to love and serve the risen Lord.

Thanks be to God. Amen.