

# *The Parish Church of St John the Evangelist, Crowborough*

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## **26TH JUNE: SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

### **COLLECT**

Lord, you have taught us  
that all our doings without love are nothing worth:  
send your Holy Spirit  
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,  
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,  
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.  
Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

### **FIRST READING: 1 King 19.15-16, 19-21**

A reading from the first book of Kings.

The Lord said to Elijah, 'Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazeal as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.

So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was ploughing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, 'Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.' Then Elijah said to him, 'Go back again; for what have I done to you?' He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

### **PSALM 16**

**O Lord, you are my portion and my cup.**

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;  
I have said to the Lord, 'You are my Lord,  
my good above all other.'

All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,  
upon those who are noble among the people. **R**

But those who run after other gods  
shall have their troubles multiplied.  
Their libations of blood I will not offer,  
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips. **R**

O Lord, you are my portion and my cup;  
it is you who uphold my lot.

My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;  
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.  
I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel;  
my heart teaches me, night after night. **R**

I have set the Lord always before me;  
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.  
My heart, therefore, is glad and my spirit rejoices;  
my body also shall rest in hope. **R**

For you will not abandon me to the grave,  
nor let your holy one see the Pit.  
You will show me the path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore. **R**

### **SECOND READING: Galatians 5.1, 13-25**

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians.

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life.

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

**GOSPEL: Luke 9.51-62**

When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' To another he said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

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

**PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

Lord God, through your sacraments you give us the power of your grace. May this eucharist help us to serve you faithfully. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**POST COMMUNION**

Loving Father,  
we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son:  
sustain us with your Spirit,  
that we may serve you here on earth  
until our joy is complete in heaven,  
and we share in the eternal banquet  
with Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

**FORTHCOMING SERVICES**

Sunday 26 June	8 am Mass
<b>2nd Sunday after Trinity</b>	<b>10am Parish Mass</b>
Wednesday 29 June	10am Mass
Sunday 3 July	8am Mass
<b>3rd Sunday after Trinity</b>	10am Parish Mass 11.30am Family Service

**HYMNS**

Entrance:	351
Offertory:	457
Communion:	305, 282
Final:	372

**PRAYERS**

Those seriously affected by the current financial difficulties.

**The People of Ukraine** and all living in circumstances of conflict and uncertainty

**Our parish:** that we may draw closer to the God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Bishops in our diocese:** Martin, Will, Ruth.

All those who are being ordained deacon and priest at the current time.

**The Sick:** Sarah Cashmore, Jean Gleason, Thea Rose.

**Year's Mind:** Derek Cranham, Arthur Cruickshank, Alfred Stevens, Jack Clifton, Leonard Miell, Robert Dowler

**Ashdown Forest Clump Walk - Saturday 9th July**

Sponsored walk around the 14 'clumps' of the Ashdown Forest to help pay off the church hall. Details to be confirmed. Please speak to Kirsten or Anna if you're interested in joining us.

**Songs from shows written during the Queen's reign**

**Saturday 16th July**, 3 - 4.30pm at St's Johns Church.

Includes a rarity by Charlie Chaplin.

Jo Appleby - ENO (soprano); David Chatterton (Tenor); David Curtis-Brignell MBE (keyboard) £10 at the door.

**Auction of Promises - Sunday 14th August**

This promises to be a very enjoyable afternoon. If you are able to donate a 'promise' to be auctioned please complete a form at the back of the church and pass it to Rita. Please also put the date in your diaries.

**Parish Garden Party**

This will take place on the afternoon of **28th August** at Fr Edward and Anna's house. Please save the date. All are welcome.

**Fr Peter Naylor** will be moving on 13<sup>th</sup> July. His new address will be: The College of St Barnabus, Blackberry Lane, Lingfield RH7 6NJ

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