

Chesterfield Parish Church Saint Mary & All Saints

In another part of the Gospel, Jesus tells his (religious) hearers that there is something very great in front of their eyes, and yet they still refuse to repent. They do not recognise Jesus.



Jesus is still in front of our eyes, alive in the life and work of this church community, and richly symbolised in this church building, steeped in centuries of prayer, preaching and worship.

There is ample evidence that current church leadership and strategy takes the view that church buildings are at best a luxury. So many of them don't open for the people of their parishes outside service times; and at present many still aren't opening even for Sunday worship.

If Jesus's Kingdom teaching in Matthew's Gospel means anything at all, it is that the Kingdom belongs to those on the outside of the religious bubble.

THIS BUILDING BELONGS TO ALL THE PEOPLE OF CHESTERFIELD—IT IS DEDICATED AS A HOUSE OF GOD FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF THIS TOWN AND BEYOND. A CHURCH THAT DOES NOT VALUE AND REVERENCE ITS BUILDINGS AND THE PEOPLE THEY WERE BUILT TO SERVE IS NOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEACHING OF JESUS.

Dedication Festival (4th October 2020)

10.30	Choral Mass
18.30	Choral Evensong

ALSO THIS WEEK:

Monday 5th October

09.00 Morning Prayer
12.15 Mass
16.00 Evening Prayer

Tuesday 6th October

09.00 Morning Prayer
09.30 Mass
16.00 Evening Prayer

Wednesday 7th October

09.00 Morning Prayer
09.30 Holy Communion (BCP)
16.00 Evening Prayer

Thursday 8th October

09.00 Morning Prayer
17.00 Evening Prayer
17.30 Mass

Friday 9th October

09.00 Morning Prayer
12.15 Mass
16.00 Evening Prayer

Saturday 10th October

09.00 Morning Prayer
09.30 Mass
16.00 Evening Prayer

Mass on Wednesdays and Sundays is live-streamed on Facebook, and also uploaded to the Crooked Spire YouTube channel.

DEDICATION FESTIVAL - CHORAL MASS

Introit: In our day of thanksgiving

Setting: Harris in F

Collect Prayer

Almighty God,

to whose glory we celebrate the dedication
of this house of prayer:

we praise you for the many blessings

you have given to those who worship you here:

and we pray that all who seek you in this place may find you,

and, being filled with the Holy Spirit,

may become a living temple acceptable to you;

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 Letter to the Hebrews

Hebrews 12.18-24

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.' Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.')

But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

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

Gradual Hymn: Be still for the presence of the Lord

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord

Matthew 21.12-16

Jesus entered the temple and drove out all who were selling and buying in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold doves. He said to them, 'It is written,

“My house shall be called a house of prayer”;
but you are making it a den of robbers.’

The blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he cured them. But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the amazing things that he did, and heard the children crying out in the temple, ‘Hosanna to the Son of David’, they became angry and said to him, ‘Do you hear what these are saying?’ Jesus said to them, ‘Yes; have you never read,

“Out of the mouths of infants and nursing babies
you have prepared praise for yourself”?’

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

Homily, Creed, Intercessions & Peace

Offertory Hymn: Christ is made the sure foundation

Communion Motet Locus Iste (*Anton Bruckner*)

Voluntary: Allegro in D minor (*Léon Boëllmann*)

CHORAL EVENSONG

Responses: Neary

Psalm: 132

First Lesson: Jeremiah 7.1-11

Office Hymn: We love the place, O God

Canticles: Stanford in B flat

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 3.9-17

Anthem: Behold the tabernacle of God (*William H Harris*)

Hymn: When all the world

Voluntary: Plein Jeu (*L.N. Clérambault*)

Prayer Intentions This Week:

Today 4th October - Dedication Festival

- The Diocesan Safeguarding Team
- ♦ The Anglican Church of Tanzania

Monday 5th October

- Benefice of Wilne and Draycott with Breaston
- ♦ Peterborough (England); Christ the King (Sn Africa)
- ✦ *Joy Allison Coombes*

Tuesday 6th October - William Tyndale

- All Saints, Kirk Hallam
- ♦ Phulbani (N India); Kolhapur (N India);
Christchurch (ANZ & Polynesia)
- ✦ *Enid Hicks; Audrey Jenkinson*

Wednesday 7th October

- St John, Long Eaton
- ♦ Pittsburgh (TEC); Chubu (Japan)

Thursday 8th October

- St Mary the Virgin, Ilkeston
- ♦ Clogher (Ireland); Cochin (S India);
Polynesia (ANZ & Polynesia)
- ✦ *Sally Crofts*

Friday 9th October - Denys and his Companions; Robert Grosseteste

- Parish of Ockbrook with Borrowwash
- ♦ Popondota (Papua New Guinea);
Coimbatore (S India)
- ✦ *Jack Dingwall; Ruth Spencer*

Saturday 10th October - Paulinus; Thomas Traherne

- Diocesan Synod due to meet today
- ♦ Port Moresby (Papua New Guinea);
Colombia (TEC); Kottarakkara (S India)
- ✦ *Jane Hunt; Beryl Little; Kenneth Wootton*
- Diocesan Cycle of Prayer
- ♦ Anglican Worldwide Cycle of Prayer
- ✦ Year's Mind

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Our prayers have been asked for:

Jane Hoskin; John Robinson; Sheila Laverick;
Carol Kingham; Joan Lidgate; Teddy; June
Frankland; John Herring; Michael Catton; Patricia
Mitchell; Sue Hastings; Jean Madin; Jane Jackson;
David Staves; Ian Mackenzie; Laura; Robin
Glasson; Kenneth Hughes; Jane Stretton; Paul
Taylor; Margaret; Colin Parnell; Ray Hearn; Tom
Pierce; Muriel Swann

✦ *Margaret Manning, RIP*

OTHER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY (COVID-19 PERMITTING):

APCM 2020

Wednesday 21st October, 7.30pm, in the church.
Due to Covid19 regulations and restrictions on the
circulation of paper, application forms for the
vacancies of Church Warden, Deanery Synod
Members & PCC Members are available by email
from the PCC Secretary: afretwell40@aol.com
APCM Packs will also be available electronically
from the same email address.

Friends AGM: Postponed until further notice.

Christmas Tree Festival: 14th-29th November

The church building is currently open for visitors
from 9.00 am to 4.00 pm, Mondays to Saturdays.
The Gift Shop is open from 10.00 am to 4.00pm,
Mondays to Saturdays.

**COVID19 HAS DEFINITELY NOT GONE AWAY, AND ALL
THE MEASURES WE HAVE TAKEN REDUCE, BUT
CANNOT ELIMINATE, THE RISK OF INFECTION.
PLEASE, IF YOU ARE ILL STAY AT HOME; IF YOU ARE
VULNERABLE IN ANY WAY, THINK CAREFULLY
BEFORE RETURNING TO CHURCH.**

If you need support in prayer or any other way
please contact the team on 01246 206506 or
contact@crookedspire.org

Next Sunday - 11th October - Trinity XVIII

10.30 Choral Mass

Readings: Philippians 4.1-9
Matthew 22.1-14

18.30 Choral Evensong

Readings: Psalm 139
Proverbs 3.1-18
1 John 3.1-15

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