



The TWELFTH SUNDAY after TRINITY

30th August 2020

Welcome to St Mary's on this, the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity. Our president today is Fr Andrew, our preacher is Sarah Van den driessche and our organist is John March.

If you are attending the service in person, please wait for directions to go up for communion. We will be receiving communion in one kind only.

To join us online, go to: <https://bit.ly/StMarysKT>.

You can also join the service by phone on **020 8080 6591**. When prompted, key in the **Meeting ID: 981 5467 9178** and **Password: 254560**.

This service will be recorded and posted online afterwards.

OLD TESTAMENT READING (Exodus 3, verses 1–15)

Reader: Katherine Prior

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, 'I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.' When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.' Then he said, 'Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' He said further, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, 'I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.' But Moses said to God, 'Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?' He said, 'I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I

who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.'

But Moses said to God, 'If I come to the Israelites and say to them, "The God of your ancestors has sent me to you", and they ask me, "What is his name?" what shall I say to them?' God said to Moses, 'I AM WHO I AM.' He said further, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "I AM has sent me to you."' God also said to Moses, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you": This is my name for ever, and this my title for all generations.

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

PSALM 105, verses 1–6, 23–26, 45

Refrain

Remember the marvels the Lord has done.

O give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises,
and tell of all his marvellous works.

Rejoice in the praise of his holy name;
let the hearts of them rejoice who seek the Lord.

Seek the Lord and his strength;
seek his face continually.

Remember the marvels he has done,
his wonders and the judgements of his mouth,

O seed of Abraham his servant,
O children of Jacob his chosen.

Remember the marvels the Lord has done.

Then Israel came into Egypt;
Jacob sojourned in the land of Ham.

And the Lord made his people exceedingly fruitful;
he made them too many for their adversaries,
Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people
and dealt craftily with his servants.

Remember the marvels the Lord has done.

Then sent he Moses his servant
and Aaron whom he had chosen.

That they might keep his statutes
and faithfully observe his laws. Alleluia.

Remember the marvels the Lord has done.

THE EPISTLE (Romans 12, verses 9–21)

Reader: Siriol Hugh-Jones

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.' Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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

THE GOSPEL (Matthew 16, verses 21–28)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

'For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

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

The **HOMILY**, by Sarah Van den driessche

The **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**, led by Margaret Green

The **LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT**

GENEROUS GIVING

We are grateful for people's additional support during these difficult months when our income has fallen significantly. Thank you to everyone who has generously contributed to our survival. If you are able to help St Mary's during this time of crisis, donations can be made direct to our bank account:

St Marys Church Kemp Town – Sort Code: 20-12-75 Acct: 50672734

Or via our JustGiving page:

<https://www.justgiving.com/stmarys-brighton>

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES AND EVENTS

Please be cautious in attending church services. Please sign in on arrival, use the hand sanitiser, wear a mask, and observe social distancing.

MONDAY, 8 am – 1pm: Big Issue sales; visitors welcome from 10 am.

MONDAY, 9.30 am: Morning Prayer (BCP).

TUESDAY, 6.30 pm: Evening Prayer.

WEDNESDAY, 8.30 am: Morning Prayer (CW).

WEDNESDAY, 10 am – 1 pm: Big Issue sales; visitors welcome from 10am.

WEDNESDAY, 12.30 pm: Midweek Eucharist with Fr Andrew.

WEDNESDAY, 2.30 pm: Brighton Women's Centre Foodbank (Hall).

THURSDAY: Church closed

FRIDAY, 9.30 am: Morning Prayer (CW).

FRIDAY, 10 am – 1 pm: Big Issue sales; visitors welcome from 10am.

SATURDAY: Church closed

SATURDAY 10.45 am: AA Newcomers (Hall).

SUNDAY, 10 am: Said Eucharist.

*Enquiries about baptism, confirmation, marriage, funerals, confessions, and counselling may be made to the Vicar, **Fr Andrew Woodward**, by phone: 01273 698601 or email: ruraldeanbrighton@gmail.com.*

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