



5th Sunday
after Trinity
July 16th

If you wish to go to the
licensing of Revd Mark
on Tuesday 25th July
7.30pm.

**Please sign up on the
sheet in church**

**The next Missional Team
breakfast will be at
Holy Trinity with St. Francis
church on
Saturday 19th August 9.30am.
All welcome.**

**For the next 4 Tuesdays at 10am in HTC/SF we will be
having morning worship led by our team of Readers.
Thank you!**

Our Home group meets Monday 17th July at 7.30pm. We
continue our Bible studies into the Old testament! We meet at
the home of Ron & Beryl. Everyone is welcome to join us – ask
one of us for further details.

Next Sunday 23rd July

**9.30am Worship for All at Holy Trinity with St. Francis
(HTC/SF)**

10.45am Eucharist at St. Mary's

4pm Afternoon worship at HTC/SF

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Collect: Almighty and everlasting God,
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church
is governed and sanctified:
hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people,
that in their vocation and ministry
they may serve you in holiness and truth
to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour
Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 25.19-34

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son:
Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty
years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel
the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the
Aramean. Isaac prayed to the LORD for his wife, because
she was barren; and the LORD granted his prayer, and his
wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together
within her; and she said, 'If it is to be this way, why do I
live?' So she went to inquire of the LORD. And the LORD
said to her,

'Two nations are in your womb,
and two peoples born of you shall be divided;
the one shall be stronger than the other,
the elder shall serve the younger.'

When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins
in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a
hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterwards his
brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so
he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she
bore them. When the boys grew up, Esau was a skilful
hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man,
living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of
game; but Rebekah loved Jacob. Once when Jacob was
cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was
famished. Esau said to Jacob, 'Let me eat some of that red
stuff, for I am famished!' (Therefore he was called Edom.)
Jacob said, 'First sell me your birthright.' Esau said, 'I am
about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?' Jacob said,
'Swear to me first.' So he swore to him, and sold his
birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil
stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way.
Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 13.1-9,18-23*

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!

Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

Post Communion Prayer: Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,
that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered
by your governance,
that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly
quietness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Monday 17th July

8.30am Morning Prayer at Holy Trinity with St Francis (HTC/SF)
9.00am Toddlers and Toast at Holy Trinity with St Francis (HTC/SF)
6.00pm Community Choir Meets at Holy Trinity with St Francis (HTC/SF)
7.30pm Wedding rehearsal at St. Mary's
7.30pm Home group meets at Ron & Beryl's (see front sheet)

Tuesday 18th

9.30am Foodbank at Hope
10.00am Morning Prayer at Holy Trinity with St Francis (HTC/SF)
10.30am Chat n That
6-8.30pm Brigade meets at HTC/SF for 'Wet & Wild' - final session
before September re-start

Saturday 22nd July

9.30am Food bank at Hope centre
2pm Wedding at St. Mary's

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