

# TRINITY

The Newsletter of **Holy Trinity Church Ilkeston**

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September 13th 2020

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time ( Year A )

## *Our Forgiving Lord*

*We cannot celebrate today the Lord of compassion and love, the Lord who died for us and lives to intercede for us, unless each of us has forgiven our brother and sister from our hearts.*

Mass

First Reading: *Ecclesiasticus 27: 30-28: 7*

Responsorial Psalm 102: 1-4, 9-12  
The Lord is compassion and love,  
slow to anger and rich in mercy.

Second Reading: *Romans 14: 7-9*

Gospel: *Matthew 18: 21-35*

Hymns All NEH ( Green ):-

Introit: 436 Praise my soul, the King of Heaven  
Gradual: 66 Forgive our sins, as we forgive  
Offertory 373 How shall I sing that majesty  
Communion 272 All for Jesus! all for Jesus!  
Recessional: 464 Thou art the Way: by thee alone  
( All can be heard sung on Youtube. )

## **Br Andrew Smith OPA writes:-**

**First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 27: 30- 28:7**

The book of *Ecclesiasticus* also known as the book of *The Wisdom of Jesus, Son of Sirach*, belongs to a library of books known as *The Apocrypha*. Today the name is used most commonly to refer to the eleven additional writings declared as forming part of the Bible canon by the Council of Trent (1541). Written in Palestine c. 190 BC using Hebrew probably by a scribe well versed in Jewish Law and customs. The extract from *Ecclesiasticus* and indeed the whole of the book is full of ancient wisdom and common sense, a style shared with all 'Wisdom literature.'

**Second Reading: Romans 14: 7-9**

No two people are alike, so we can't expect everybody to live and behave exactly like we do. We can get into the habit of finding faults with little things about others that don't really matter. Sin/selfishness is always wrong. However, often the things we criticize about others are just a difference in customs, education, life experience – God created us unique and we can enjoy and must embrace the God given gift. As Paul reminds us "Whether we live or die, it must be for God rather than ourselves." (v. 7)

**Gospel: Matthew 18: 21-35**

The parable expands and stresses the petition in the Lord's Prayer, 'Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive others.' The importance of this petition is already made apparent by Matthew. Our human condition is such that, when together, at some point we will upset each other, unwittingly or even deliberately, there will be quarrels and disagreements. We are made in the image of God, and our glory is to imitate in our own poor, human way, this divine forgiveness. Once we see love and forgiveness in our lives and in others, our whole relationship with other people changes.

**Collect**

Look upon us, O God,  
Creator and ruler of all things,  
and, that we may feel the workings of your mercy,  
grant that we may serve you with all our heart.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Services for this Sunday and the week ahead:-

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For the time being the pattern of services continues the same as in recent weeks, with a Sunday Mass in church, and Zoom Masses at the usual times during the week. Zoom login details remain the same each week.

#### **Sunday 13th September 24th in Ordinary Time**

Mass at Holy Trinity 11.00 am

#### **Tuesday 15th September**

Zoom Mass 9.30 am

#### **Wednesday 16th September Ss Cornelius and Cyprian**

Zoom Mass 10.00 am

#### **Thursday 17th September**

Zoom Mass 7.00 pm

#### **Friday 18th September**

Zoom Mass 12.00 noon

#### **Sunday 20th September 25th in Ordinary Time**

Mass at Holy Trinity 11.00 am

### **Please remember in your prayers:-**

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Those who are sick, especially: Margaret Tyler, Debbie Collins, Maria Perkins, Joyce Seals, Maureen Benson, Stuart Jackson and family, Andrew Smith, Amanda Green, Bethany, Betty Fisher, Michael Gallagher, and Tanya and family.

Those who have recently died: Vic Daniel, and Brian Samuels; and also those whose anniversary of death falls this week: Jean Wildey, Robert Smith, Susan Elliott, and Nellie Smith.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of the late John Riley.

### **C o n t a c t s   a t   H o l y   T r i n i t y : -**

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