

Christ and St John, Isle of Dogs

'Building a strong community through our Christian Faith'

Sunday 3 August 2025: The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

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Please take this sheet home with you

8am Book of Common Prayer Mass

11am Parish Mass, President & Preacher :

Fr. Tom Pyke

5pm Parish Office for Baptism, Wedding and

Safeguarding applications

6.30 pm Evening Prayer

**Processional Hymn NEH 334 All people that on
earth do dwell (tune: Old 100th)**

Collect:

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all
things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
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.**

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1.2, 12–14; 2.18–23

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher,
vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. I
applied my mind to seek and to search out by
wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an
unhappy business that God has given to humans to
be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are done
under the sun, and see, all is vanity and a chasing
after wind.

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the
sun, seeing that I must leave it to my successor, and
who knows whether he will be wise or foolish? Yet
he will be master of all for which I toiled and used

my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I
turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning
all the toil of my labors under the sun, because
sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and
knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by
another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity
and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the
toil and strain with which they toil under the sun?
For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a
vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This
also is vanity.

Psalm 49:1-12

Hear this, all you peoples;
give ear, all inhabitants of the world,
**both low and high,
rich and poor together.**
My mouth shall speak wisdom;
the meditation of my heart shall be
understanding.
**I will incline my ear to a proverb;
I will solve my riddle to the music of the harp.**
Why should I fear in times of trouble,
when the iniquity of my persecutors surrounds
me,
**those who trust in their wealth
and boast of the abundance of their riches?**
Truly, no ransom avails for one's life;
there is no price one can give to God for it.
**For the ransom of life is costly
and can never suffice,**
that one should live on forever
and never see the Pit.
**When we look at the wise, they die;
fool and dolt perish together
and leave their wealth to others.**
Their graves are their homes forever,
their dwelling places to all generations,
though they named lands their own.
**Mortals cannot abide in their pomp;
they are like the animals that perish.**

Second Reading: Colossians 3.1–11

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all!

Gradual: Rouen Alleluia

Gospel Reading: Luke 12.13–21

Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ So it is with those

who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

Offertory Hymn: NEH 333 All my hope on God is founded (tune: Michael)

Communion Hymn 413 Now thank we all our God (tune: Nun Danket)

Recessional Hymn NEH 368 Guide me O thou great redeemer (tune: Cwm Rhondda)

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill in body, mind and spirit:

Mary Martinson, Samantha McTasney, Kathy McTasney, Dominika Marchioro, Peter Harrison, Olive Joseph, Jasmine, Ken Lilley, Jean Farrigua, Robert Hageman.

'The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up' (from James 5:14)

And those who have died:

Tom Keighley, Joan Livett, John Skeels, Blake Simms.


'May they rest in peace, and rise in glory' (from traditional Christian liturgy)

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

The Episcopal Church in the Philippines (ECP; Tagalog: Simbahang Episkopal sa Pilipinas) is a province of the Anglican Communion comprising the country of the Philippines. It was established by the Episcopal Church of the United States (Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America) in 1901 by American missionaries led by Charles Henry Brent, who served as the first resident bishop, when the Philippines was opened to Protestant American missionaries. It became an autonomous province of the Anglican Communion on May 1, 1990.

The Church is in a concordat of full communion with the Philippine Independent Church and is a member of both the Christian Conference of Asia and the National Council of Churches in the Philippines.

Tues 5 Aug	10.30 am Food Bank 7.30 - 9.00 pm Bell Ringing Practice
Weds 6 Aug	No Choir rehearsal during August No Midweek service during August
Thur 7 Aug	12 noon Prayers for the World Peace
Fri 8 Aug	8.30 am BCP Morning Prayer and Fellowship at Christ Church
Sun 10 Aug	8am Said Mass 11am Parish Mass 5pm Parish Office 6.30 pm Evening Prayer

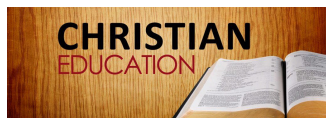
	<p>Stepney Thanksgiving Service & Farewell to Bishop Joanne - 22 September 2025</p> <p>Join us for an evening of worship, thanksgiving, fellowship and edifying story-telling as we celebrate and give thanks for mission in Stepney, and as we take an opportunity to say thank you and farewell to Bishop Joanne. From 6:30pm to 9:00pm</p> <p>For more details follow the below link:</p> <p>Stepney Thanksgiving Service & Farewell to Bishop Joanne Stepney Lives</p>
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Thy Kingdom Come Here is an initiative that invites Christians to walk their streets, pray for God's love and blessing on their communities, and log their routes on a digital map. As people pray "Your kingdom come here," streets change colour on the map, showing how the city is being covered in prayer

For more details follow the below link:

[Your Kingdom Come Here](#)



Autumn Education Programme – Your Ideas Needed!

We are planning our Autumn Education Programme and would love to hear what topics you would like to study or explore together.

Please write your ideas on the sign-up sheet at the back of the church.



Back to Sunday on 21 September 2025

Come and reconnect! We invite everyone old friends, new faces, families, neighbours to join us for Back to Church Sunday.

Stay after the service for a delicious BBQ!

Let's share good food, fellowship, and fun as we gather together in God's love. Bring your family and friends – there's a place and food for everyone.



Harvest Festival on 28 September 2025

Join us for Harvest Sunday on 28th September.

Please bring along your harvest gifts of food and produce as we give thanks for God's blessings and share them with those in need.

Let's come together as a community to celebrate and receive the Lord's blessings for the fruits of our labour and His abundant provision.

All donations will be distributed to local families and to our food bank.



Choir recruitment

Come and sing, and enjoy learning what your voice can do, with encouragement and training.

Choir Practice is on **Wednesdays at 6pm**

Jessica Wu, our Director of Music looks forward to working with you to make music.



Parish Giving Scheme, Sign up here! PGS is, far and away, the best and easiest way to give to support the church's work. Please scan the QR code to begin.



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