



# ROSSORRY PARISH CHURCH

## **SUNDAY** 16th JULY 2023

## THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

#### **SERVICES TODAY**

**Holy Communion.** 9.00 am p.180

10.30am **Morning Prayer** p. 101

#### **Collect of the Day**

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 above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Psalm 119: 105-112 **BCP** p.738

**Gospel – Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23** p.978

#### **Post Communion Prayer.**

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water. Refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### 10.30am Morning Prayer The Gathering of God's People

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**Opening** Come down, O Love divine, Hymn 294 seek thou this soul of mine,

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**Canticle:** Tell out my soul, **Hymn 712** the greatness of the Lord:

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The Gospel: p.978 **NIV** 

Canticle:-O lord my God!

Hymn 32 when I in awesome wonder

**SERMON:** 

The Lesson:

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Offertory We plough the fields and scatter Hymn 47 the good seed on the land,

#### The Prayers of the People

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**Intercessions:** 

#### Going out as God's People

**Blessing** 

Closing We have a gospel to proclaim,

**Hymn 491** good news for all throughout the earth;

**Dismissal** 

#### **READINGS for** —SUNDAY 16th JULY 2023

#### The Lesson

The Old Testament reading is from the book of Genesis, in the twenty fifth chapter beginning at the 19th verse.

This is the account of the family line of Abraham's son Isaac.

Abraham became the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah daughter of Bethuel the Aramean from Paddan Aram and sister of Laban the Aramean.

Isaac prayed to the LORD on behalf of his wife, because she was childless. The LORD answered his prayer, and his wife Rebekah became pregnant. The babies jostled each other within her, and she said, 'Why is this happening to me?' So she went to enquire of the LORD.

The Lord said to her,

'Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples from within you will be separated; one people will be stronger than the other, and the elder will serve the younger.'

When the time came for her to give birth, there were twin boys in her womb. The first to come out was red, and his whole body was like a hairy garment; so they named him Esau. After this, his brother came out, with his hand grasping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when Rebekah gave birth to them.

The boys grew up, and Esau became a skilful hunter, a man of the open country, while Jacob was content to stay at home among the tents. Isaac, who had a taste for wild game, loved Esau, but Rebekah loved Jacob.

Once when Jacob was cooking some stew, Esau came in from the open country, famished. He said to Jacob, 'Quick, let me have some of that red stew!

I'm famished!' (That is why he was also called Edom.)

Jacob replied, 'First sell me your birthright.'

'Look, I am about to die,' Esau said. 'What good is the birthright to me?' But Jacob said, 'Swear to me first.' So he swore an oath to him, selling his birthright to Jacob.

Then Jacob gave Esau some bread and some lentil stew. He ate and drank, and then got up and left.

So Esau despised his birthright.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### The Gospel

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to St Matthew, chapter 11, beginning at verse 16.

#### Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat by the lake. Such large crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat in it, while all the people stood on the shore. Then he told them many things in parables, saying: 'A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants. Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop – a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. Whoever has ears, let them hear.'

'Listen then to what the parable of the sower means: when anyone hears the message about the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what was sown in their heart. This is the seed sown along the path. The seed falling on rocky ground refers to someone who hears the word and at once receives it with joy. But since they have no root, they last only a short time. When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, they quickly fall away. The seed falling among the thorns refers to someone who hears the word, but the worries of this life and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, making it unfruitful. But the seed falling on good soil refers to someone who hears the word and understands it. This is the one who produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

### **SERVICES FOR JULY & AUGUST 2023**

Sunday 23rd July (7th Sunday after Trinity)	9.00am	Holy Communion	Genesis 28: 10-19 Psalm 86: 11-17
	10.30 am	Morning Prayer	Matthew 13:24-30,36-43
Sunday 30th July (8th Sunday after Trinity)	9.00am	Holy Communion	Genesis 29:15-28 Psalm 128
Com Sanday arter Trimey	10.30 am	Morning Prayer	Matthew 13:31-33,44-52
Sunday 6th August (9th Sunday after Trinity)	9.00am	Holy Communion	Romans 9: 1-5 Psalm 17: 1-7. 16
	10.30 am	Holy Communion	Matthew 14: 13-21
Sunday 13th August (10th Sunday after Trinity)	9.00am	Holy Communion	Genesis 37: 1-4, 12-28 Psalm 105: 1-6,16-22,45
(10th Sunday after Triffity)	10.30 am	Morning Prayer	Matthew 14: 22-33

#### The Parable of The Sower

...and in his teaching he said to them: "Listen! Behold, a sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured it."



"Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and immediately it sprang up, since it had no depth of soil. And when the sun rose, it was scorched, and since it had no root, it withered away."



"Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain."



"And other seeds fell into good soil and produced grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirtyfold and sixtyfold and a hundredfold."



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