**Sunday 17th May 2015**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

S GILES-IN-READING

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Hymns: ***English Hymnal***

Mass Setting: *Gregory Murray.*

Motet:

Entrance Hymn: *364* Offertory Hymn: *368*

Communion Hymns: *316 & 593* Recessional Hymn: *147*

Voluntary:

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**Psalter Week 3**

**Sunday Readings: Year B. Weekday Readings: Year 1.**

**TODAY AT**

**S GILES**

Monday

18 May

Tuesday

19 May

Wednesday

20 May

Thursday

21 May

Friday

22 May

Saturday

23 May

**Sunday**

**24 May**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

**10.00 Mattins**

**10.30 Parish Mass &**

 **Sunday School**

**17.30 Evensong**

**18.00 Low Mass**

Monday of Week 7 of Easter

No Services

Tuesday of Week 7 of Easter

09.00 Mattins

17.30 Evensong

18.00 Low Mass

Wednesday of Week 7 of Easter

10.00 Mattins

10.30 Low Mass

18.00 Evensong

Thursday of Week 7 of Easter

09.00 Mattins

16.30 Evensong

Friday of Week 7 of Easter

11.00 Mattins

11.30 Bible Study

12.30 Low Mass

16.30 Evensong

Saturday of Week 7 of Easter

09.30 Mattins

10.00 Low Mass

16.30 Evensong

**Pentecost Sunday**

**10.00 Mattins**

**10.30 Parish Mass &**

 **Sunday School**

**16.00 May Devotion**

**17.30 Evensong**

**18.00 Low Mass**

**NOTICES & EVENTS**

*We welcome any visitors here this morning and hope that you will stay for refreshments after the service.*

We welcome Timothy Hora who is playing the Organ.

**Sinners and Saints**The next Sinners and Saints lecture is scheduled for **Thursday 28 May at 7.30pm**.  The talk will be on the very influential American journalist, social activist, and devout Catholic convert, Dorothy Day. She advocated the Catholic economic theory of distributism. In the 1930s, Day worked closely with fellow activist Peter Maurin to establish the Catholic Worker Movement, a pacifist movement that continues to combine direct aid for the poor and homeless with nonviolent direct action on their behalf. She served as editor of the Catholic Worker newspaper from 1933 until her death in 1980.  The talk and discussion will be led by Angela Wills.

**Fr Sam's ordination to the priesthood** is scheduled for Saturday, 27 June at 3pm.  His first mass will be the following day, Sunday 28 June at 6pm.  We will have a low mass that morning at 10.30am, and encourage all to come to the evening parish mass.

*If you have any notices that require adding to the sheet, please contact Anne or Geoff Canterbury at canterbury@ntlworld.com or 0118 961 0525 by Wednesday of the previous week.*

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**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

***O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face; hide not your face from me, alleluia.***

**COLLECT**

Graciously hear our supplications, O Lord, so that we, who believe that the Saviour of the human race is with you in your glory, may experience, as he promised, until the end of the world, his abiding presence among us. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

***Amen.***

**THE FIRST READING** (Acts 1: 15-17; 20-26.)

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles*

One day Peter stood up to speak to the brothers - there were about a hundred and twenty persons in the congregation: 'Brothers, the passage of scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit, speaking through David, foretells the fate of Judas, who offered himself as a guide to the men who arrested Jesus - after having been one of our number and actually sharing this ministry of ours. 'In the Book of Psalms it says: Let someone else take his office. 'We must therefore choose someone who has been with us the whole time that the Lord Jesus was travelling around with us, someone who was with us right from the time when John was baptising until the day when he wastaken up from us - and he can act with us as a witness to his resurrection' Having nominated two candidates, Joseph known as Barsabbas, whose surname was Justus, and Matthias, they prayed, 'Lord, you can read everyone's heart; show us therefore which of these two you have chosen to take over this ministry and apostolate, which Judas abandoned to go to his proper place.' They then drew lots for them, and as the lot fell to Matthias he was listed as one of the twelve apostles.

*The Word of the Lord*

**THE GRADUAL PSALM** Psalm 102: 1-2; 11-12; 19-20:

**Response:** ***The Lord has set his sway in heaven.***

or

***Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia***

My soul, give thanks to the Lord; all my being, bless his holy name.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings.

For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him.

As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins.

The Lord has set his sway in heaven and his kingdom is ruling over all.

Give thanks to the Lord, all his angels, mighty in power, fulfilling his word.

**THE SECOND LESSON** (1 John 4: 11-16)

*A reading from the first letter of St John.*

My dear people, since God has loved us so much, we too should love one another. No one has ever seen God; but as long as we love one another God will live in us and his love will be complete in us. We can know that we are living in him and he is living in us because he lets us share his Spirit. We ourselves saw and we testify that the Father sent his Son as saviour of the world. If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him, and he in God. We ourselves have known and put our faith in God's love towards ourselves. God is love and anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in him.

*The word of the Lord.*

**THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

***Alleluia, alleluia!***

***I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord; I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy.***

***Alleluia!***

**THE HOLY GOSPEL** (John 17: 11-19)

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.*

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said: 'Holy Father, keep those you have given me true to your name, so that they may be one like us. While I was with them, I kept those you had given me true to your name. I have watched over them and not one is lost except the one who chose to be lost, and this was to fulfil the scriptures. But now I am coming to you and while still in the world I say these things to share my joy with them to the full. I passed your word on to them, and the world hated them, because they belong to the world no more than I belong to the world. I am not asking you to remove them from the world, but to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth, your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world, and for their sake I consecrate myself so that they too may be consecrated in truth.'

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful with the sacrificial offerings, that through these acts of devotedness we may pass over to the glory of heaven. Through Christ our Lord.

***Amen.***

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

***Father, I pray that they may be one as we also are one, alleluia.***

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**
Hear us, O God our Saviour, and grant us confidence, that through these sacred mysteries there will be accomplished in the body of the whole Church what has already come to pass in Christ her Head. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

***Amen.***