



Parish of St James the Great Haydock

8th October 2017
**Seventeenth Sunday
after Trinity**

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Notices:

1. **TODAY** - 6.00pm: Evensong
2. **MONDAY** - 10.30am: Requiem Mass for Pat Ormrod
2.00pm: Funeral of Larry O'Connor
3. **TUESDAY** - 6.30pm: Vestry Hour - 7.30pm: Eucharist
4. **WEDNESDAY** - 9.30am: Eucharist
5. **THURSDAY** - 2.15pm: Women's Guild - 6.50pm: Rosary Group
6. **FRIDAY** - 9.05am: School Eucharist - 12.00noon: Funeral of Margaret Thompson
7. **SUNDAY** - 8.00am: Eucharist - 10.00am: Sung Eucharist - 11.45am: Eucharist - 6.00pm Evensong
8. **Daily Offices** in St Albans Chapel - service times as displayed in the church porch.
9. **Tuesday 17th October** - 7.30pm: Walsingham Cell - Eucharist followed by AGM - all welcome!
7.00pm: St Mark's MU invites us to a "Coffee & Cake" event in aid of Willowbrook Hospice.
10. **Saturday 2nd December** - 11.00am: The Christmass Fair and Wreath Sale! Date for your diary!

The Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity

Collect

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in
you:
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city
where we shall see you face to face;
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

Philippians 3.4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Alleluia

4.4

From Matthew

Man does not live by bread alone:
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Gospel

Matthew 21.33-end

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: 'Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watch-tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, "They will respect my son." But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, "This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance." So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They said to him, 'He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes"?' Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.' When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.



Prayer after Communion

Lord,
we pray that your grace
may always precede and follow us,
and make us continually to be given to all
good works;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**