

NOTICES & DIARY DATES

Frome Festival: Thank you for the hard work, dedication, energy and talent that was so much in evidence during a busy few days. We counted 1750 people visiting our church, and they were enthralled and inspired by all that they saw and heard. Thank you all.

Eileen Wilkie, a long-established member of the Zoom congregation, has died. We offer our love and sympathy to Mandy and her family. May Eileen rest in peace and rise in glory.

Taize Takeover: From 18th to 26th July Rev. Seamus will be away on a state sponsored pilgrimage to Taize. For any pastoral needs in the vicar's absence, please contact Fr. Kevin. All services will run as usual.

Chaplains: Over the summer we hope to have a chaplain available every Thursday between 12 noon and 1.30pm, to allow a wider range of people to experience our Christian ministry. Do spread the word if there are people you know in need of prayer and fellowship.

Fair Frome Foodbank: There are collection points in most supermarkets. All help gratefully received – thank you!

THE PARISH OF FROME, ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, BA11 1PL

SUNDAY 19 JULY 2026

Seventh Sunday after Trinity

SUNDAY SERVICES

Saturday
5pm Vigil Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel
Celebrant: Rev Kevin Tingay

Sunday
8.45am Online Service
contact admin for code
10.00am Choral Eucharist
Celebrant Rev Ian Pearson

5pm Choral Evensong
3.30pm Choir Rehearsal

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Monday
8.45am Morning Prayer
in the Ken Chapel

Wednesday 22 July
12.30pm Eucharist:
Mary Magdalene

Saturday 25 July
9am Morning prayer:
James the Apostle

Friday
12.30pm Lunchtime Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

Confessions, Sacrament of the Sick and Pastoral Conversations are by appointment. Please contact Rev. Seamus to arrange.

Wed 22 9.15am St John's School end of term service
Thurs 23 2pm-4pm Craft & Conversation
Sat 25 10am Worship Committee Meeting
Tues 28 11am Julian Meeting
Wed 29 12.30pm Eucharist: Mary, Martha & Lazarus
Fri 31 2pm Hospital Service

August

Sat 1 9am United Prayer
Sun 2 11.15am-2pm Café & Mini Market

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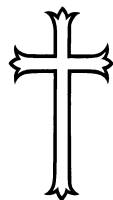
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Seventh Sunday after Trinity (Year A)



FIRST READING: Wisdom of Solomon 12. 13, 16–19

For neither is there any god besides you, whose care is for all people, to whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly; For your strength is the source of righteousness, and your sovereignty over all causes you to spare all. For you show your strength when people doubt the completeness of your power, and you rebuke any insolence among those who know it. Although you are sovereign in strength, you judge with mildness, and with great forbearance you govern us; for you have power to act whenever you choose. Through such works you have taught your people that the righteous must be kind, and you have filled your children with good hope, because you give repentance for sins.

For the word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God**

SECOND READING: : Romans 8.12-25

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

For the word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord

He put before them another parable: ‘The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, “Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?”

He answered, “An enemy has done this.” The slaves said to him, “Then do you want us to go and gather them?” But he replied, “No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.”’ Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, ‘Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.’ He answered, ‘The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

This is the Gospel of the LORD. **Praise to you, O Christ**