

NOTICES & DIARY DATES

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.

Frome Festival Fri 3 - Sun 12 July: Please do come along to support the events taking place at St John's and let friends and family know, too! The church will be open 11am - 4pm daily.

Change to Event: Fashionable Faith - Sunday 12 July: Displays in church 11.30am-2.30pm, but the 'catwalk' show will now not take place.

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

Chaplains: Over the summer it is our hope to have a chaplain available on Thursdays between 12pm and 1.30pm each week, 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 12 JULY 2026

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

SUNDAY SERVICES

Saturday
5pm Vigil Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

Sunday
8.45am Online Service
contact admin for code
10.00am Choral Eucharist

5pm Benediction and Evening Prayer

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Monday
8.45am Morning Prayer
in the Ken Chapel

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.

Sun 12 11.30am - 2.30pm: Fashionable Faith displays
Sat 18 10am Fundraising Meeting
Wed 22 9.15am St John's School end of term service
12.30pm Eucharist: Mary Magdalene
Thurs 23 2pm-4pm Craft & Conversation
Sat 25 9am Morning Prayer: James the Apostle
10am Worship Committee Meeting
Sat 26 9am Morning Prayer: James the Apostle
Tues 28 11am Julian Meeting
Wed 29 12.30pm Eucharist: Mary, Martha & Lazarus
Fri 31 2pm Hospital Service

August

Sat 1 9am United Prayer

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Sixth Sunday after Trinity (Year A)

FIRST READING: Isaiah 55.10-13

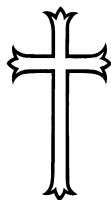
For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

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

SECOND READING: Romans 8.1-11

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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GOSPEL READING: Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23

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

Glory to you, O Lord

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!'

'Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

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