

## Daily Bread

*Feria of 9<sup>th</sup> Week of Ordinary Time*

### Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June

2 Peter 1: 2-7; Mark 12: 1-12

### Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> June

2 Peter 3: 11-18; Mark 12: 13-17

### Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> June

2 Timothy 1: 1-12; Mark 12: 18-27

### Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> June

2 Timothy 2: 8-15; Mark 12: 28-34

### Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> June

2 Timothy 3: 10-17; Mark 12: 35-37

### Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> June

2 Timothy 4: 1-8; Mark 12: 38-44

### Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> June

*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

Genesis 3: 8-15; Psalm 130;

2 Corinthians 4: 13 - 5: 1;

Mark 3: 20-35

Eucharist (St Serf's Church), 9am

Eucharist (St Serf's Church), 10am

## Announcements

**Next Sunday, 9 June:** There will be no service at St John's Church on Sunday, 9 June. There will be a 1970 Eucharist at St Serf's Church at 9am and a 1982 Eucharist at St Serf's Church at 10am. All are welcome.

**Morning Prayer** will be livestreamed at 9am on Facebook on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

**Fashion Show:** Thanks to all who helped and supported the Fashion Show last Tuesday.

**Discussion Group:** The Monday afternoon discussion group will restart on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June** at **St Serf's** at **3pm**. All are welcome. We will be watching together and discussing the dramatisation of Jesus' ministry called "The Chosen". For more details please ask Revd Tess. A Zoom link is available for those unable to attend in person - please ask Tess.

**Strawberry Tea:** There will be a Strawberry Tea on **Saturday, 22 June** at **St John's** from **2pm to 4pm**. Cost £5. Why not come along and bring a friend to enjoy a cuppa and some tasty treats.

**Days Off:** Revd Tess takes **Thursday** and **Friday** as days off.

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## GLASGOW EAST END EPISCOPAL CHURCHES

(Incorporating St John's,  
Baillieston; St Kentigern's,  
Dennistoun and St Serf's,  
Shettleston)

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

### 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2024

*Welcome to our church for this Sunday's service; do stay for tea or coffee afterwards, we look forward to meeting you. If the morning service is the celebration of the Eucharist, all are welcome to make their communion here. Or if you prefer to receive a blessing, please come forward to the rail with arms by your sides.*

### Collect

O Lord mercifully hear our prayers: loose us from the chains of our sins; and keep us from all adversity; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

### Lectionary

#### Deuteronomy 5: 12-15

*A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.*

The LORD says this:  
Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. For six days you

shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work – you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

### Psalm 81: 1-10

**R Sing with joy to God our strength.**

1 Sing with joy to God our strength and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.

2 Raise a song and sound the timbrel, the merry harp and the lyre.  
3 Blow the ram's-horn at the new moon, and at the full moon, the day of our feast.

**R**

4 For this is a statute for Israel, a law of the God of Jacob.  
5 He laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, when he came out of the land of Egypt.

**R**

6 I heard an unfamiliar voice saying, 'I eased his shoulder from the burden; his hands were set free from bearing the load.'

7 You called on me in trouble and I saved you;

I answered you from the secret place of thunder and tested you at the waters of Meribah.

**R**

8 Hear, O my people, and I will admonish you:

O Israel, if you would but listen to me!

9 There shall be no strange god among you; you shall not worship a foreign god.

10 I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, 'Open your mouth wide and I will fill it.'

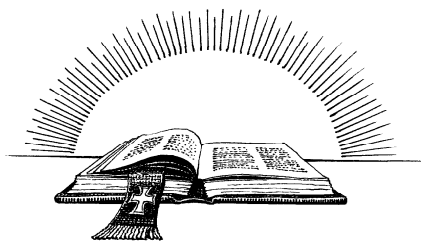
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## 2 Corinthians 4: 5-12

*A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.*

We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to

death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.



## Mark 2: 23 - 3: 6

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.*

One sabbath Jesus was going through the cornfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, 'Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?' And he said to them, 'Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions.' Then he said to them, 'The sabbath was made for humankind and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath.' Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there

who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, 'Come forward.' Then he said to the Pharisees, 'Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?' But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, 'Stretch out your hand.' He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against Jesus, how to destroy him.

## Post Communion

Father, may we who have received this eucharist live in the unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth his gifts to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Intercessions

**Please pray for:**

**Those who are sick or in hospital:**  
Dorothea, David, Elizabeth, Valerie, Ina, Joseph, Liz, Isabel, Harry John, Danut, Mihaela, Alan, Mick, Janet, Christina, Robert, John, Ferne, Sarah, Rose, Lewis, Pam and Jeremy.

**Faithful departed anniversaries:**  
Bob Kinniburgh.

## Reflection

Six days a week we work under strain, beset with worries, enmeshed in anxieties, slaves to material things. But on the Sabbath we turn our attention to the things of the spirit.

The Sabbath gives us a sacred place, a reserved space: for inwardness and reorientation, for experience of the spirit, for meaning and values to live by.

Here we are given time: to be thankful, to be joyful, to be free, to look where we are going in life, and, if needs be, to correct our compass; time to be with one another and with the Lord.

On this day Christ broke the chains of death and rose in triumph from the grave. It provides us with a window into eternity. It is a place of refreshment, light, and peace; a halting place on the road that leads to the Father's Kingdom.

Thank you, Lord, for the gift of the Sabbath.

