

## Daily Bread

*Feria of 10<sup>th</sup> Week of Ordinary Time*

### Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> June

1 Kings 17: 1-6; Matthew 5: 1-12

### Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> June

1 Kings 17: 7-16; Matthew 5: 13-16

### Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> June

1 Kings 18: 20-39; Matthew 5: 17-19

### Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> June

1 Kings 18: 41-46; Matthew 5: 20-26

### Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> June

1 Kings 19: 9-16; Matthew 5: 27-32

### Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> June

1 Kings 19: 19-21; Matthew 5: 33-37

### Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> June

*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

Ezekiel 17: 22-24; Ps 92: 1-4, 12-15;

2 Corinthians 5: 6-10, 14-17;

Mark 4: 26-34

Eucharist (St John's Church),

11.30am

## Announcements

**Next Sunday, 16 June:** There will be no service at St Serf's Church on Sunday, 16 June. There will be a 1982 Eucharist at St John's Church at 11.30am. All are welcome.

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

**Discussion Group:** The Monday afternoon discussion group will continue on **Monday 10<sup>th</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.

**Bishop Kevin's Farewell Service** will be held at St Mary's Cathedral at 11am on Saturday, 29 June. Refreshments will be available after the service. If anyone would like to contribute to a farewell gift to Bishop Kevin there are envelopes at the back of the church.

**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)

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

9<sup>th</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 God, our hope and strength, the source and end of all our prayers: because our mortal nature is weak we can do nothing good without your help; support us with your grace, that in keeping your commandments, we may ever remain in your love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

### Lectionary

#### Genesis 3: 8-15

*A reading from the book of Genesis.*

The man and the woman heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, 'Where are you?' He said, 'I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.' He said, 'Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?' The man said, 'The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.' Then the LORD God said to the woman, 'What is this that you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent tricked me, and I ate.' The LORD God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.'

#### Psalm 130

**R With the Lord there is mercy and plenteous redemption.**

1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice; let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

2 If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss,

O Lord, who could stand?

3 For there is forgiveness with you; therefore you shall be feared.

**R**

4 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; in his word is my hope.

5 My soul waits for the Lord, more than the night-watch for the morning, more than the night-watch for the morning. **R**

6 O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy;

7 With him there is plenteous redemption, and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

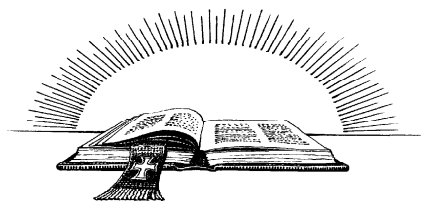
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## 2 Corinthians 4: 13 - 5: 1

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

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture – ‘I believed, and so I spoke’ – we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be

seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.



### Mark 3: 20-35

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

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his companions could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, ‘He has gone out of his mind.’ And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, ‘He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.’ And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, ‘How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. Truly I tell you,

people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin’ – for they had said, ‘He has an unclean spirit.’ Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, ‘Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.’ And he replied, ‘Who are my mother and my brothers?’ And looking at those who sat around him, he said, ‘Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.’

### Post Communion

O God, we have shared in the mysteries of the body and blood of Christ. Nourish us by this feast, that we may live the risen life and serve you faithfully in the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the 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:**  
13 Seamen on HMS Glamorgan, John Henderson and Mark Henderson.

### Reflection

*“No kingdom that is divided within itself can stand”, said Jesus. I myself am a divided kingdom. I am divided within myself.*

*“The good which I want to do, I don’t do; the evil which I want to avoid, I find myself doing”. This is how St Paul puts it.*

There exists within me forces that will do their utmost to drag me down, so that my life is like a field in which wheat and weeds grow side by side, struggling for supremacy.

Who will save me from myself? Who will keep my kingdom from falling down? Only Jesus, who overpowered Satan, will heal the division within me, and help me to take complete possession of my own house.

Then I shall be free, united, and at peace. Perhaps I shall never gain the complete victory in this life. Enough that I keep up the struggle, and that final victory is achieved in the life that is to come, when God shall be all in all.

