

❖ GOSPEL Mark 6.14-29

¹⁴ King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.' ¹⁵But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.' ¹⁶But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.'

¹⁷ For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her.

¹⁸For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.' ¹⁹And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, ²⁰for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him.

²¹But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. ²²When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.' ²³And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.' ²⁴She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the baptizer.' ²⁵Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.' ²⁶The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. ²⁷Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, ²⁸brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.



**King Charles the Martyr
Tunbridge Wells**

**Seventh Sunday
after Trinity 15th
July 2018**

Welcome to King Charles the Martyr – especially if you are visiting. A melody edition of the hymn book is available – please ask a sidesman for a copy. We hope you will enjoy your time with us. Refreshments are served after the 10am Service in the Hall. Please join us if you can.

Today's Service

8AM HOLY COMMUNION(BCP)

Ephesians 1. 3-14, Mark 6.14-29

President: The Revd Laurence Powell

10AM PARISH COMMUNION (CW)

*2 Samuel 6. 1-5, 12b-19, Ephesians 1. 3-14,
Mark 6.14-29*

Hymns: 593, 304, 451, 715

President: The Revd Sarah Partridge

Preacher: The Revd Dr David Lyall

A creche is available in the Church Hall

Please ask a sidesman for directions

**6.30PM CHORAL EVENSONG(BCP) WITH
QUORUM**

President: The Revd Laurence Powell

Job 4. 1; 5. 6-end, Romans 15. 14-29, Ps 66

**Next Sunday: Eighth Sunday after
Trinity 22nd of July 2018**

8AM HOLY COMMUNION(BCP)

10AM PARISH COMMUNION(CW)

6.30PM CELTIC MEDITATIVE PRAYER

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King Charles the Martyr Church, Tunbridge Wells



Collect for the Week

Lord of all power and might,
the author and giver of all good things:
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us with all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the
same;
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.



This Week at King Charles

Wed 18th 11.30am HOLY COMMUNION(BCP)

Fri 20th 1pm Prayers in the Quiet Corner

Sat 21st 10am Bible study in the Upper Room

Notices

1 Village Show and Summer Fete

We would like to thank everyone for their assistance, generosity and fun at the Village Show and Summer Fete. We have raised slightly over £1700 so far.

2 Craft and Sew Group

The Craft and Sew group will not meet this month and will resume in September.

3 Bible Study

On Saturday the 21st of July at 10am Bible study will be held in the Upper Room.

Readings Today

❖ FIRST READING 2 Samuel 6. 1-5, 12b-19,

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. ²David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the Lord of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. ³They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart ⁴with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. ⁵David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the Lord with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals.

¹² It was told King David, 'The Lord has blessed the household of Obed-edom and all that belongs to him, because of the ark of God.'

So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; ¹³and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. ¹⁴David danced before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. ¹⁵So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet. ¹⁶As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart. ¹⁷They brought in the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt-offerings and offerings of well-being before the Lord. ¹⁸When David had finished offering the burnt-offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, ¹⁹and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

❖ SECOND READING Ephesians 1. 3-14,

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace ⁸that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Charity Collections for July

Joshua

Gift aid envelopes at the back of the Church