

¹⁸ Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. ¹⁹Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

❖GOSPEL John 6. 56-69

⁵⁶Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.' ⁵⁹He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

⁶⁰ When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' ⁶¹But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, 'Does this offend you? ⁶²Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴But among you there are some who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. ⁶⁵And he said, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.'

⁶⁶ Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. ⁶⁷So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' ⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.'



**King Charles the Martyr
Tunbridge Wells**

**13th Sunday after
Trinity 26th
August 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 6. 10-20, John 6. 56-69

President: The Revd Ian Harrison

10AM PARISH COMMUNION(CW)

*1 Kings 8. 22-30, 41-43,
Ephesians 6. 10-20, John 6. 56-69*

Hymns: 780, 629, 506, 826

President: The Revd Sarah Partridge

Deacon: The Revd Laurence Powell

Preacher: The Revd Laurence Powell

A creche is available in the Church Hall

Please ask a sidesman for directions

6.30PM CELTIC MEDITATIVE PRAYER

President: The Revd Sarah Partridge

Collect for the Week

Almighty God,
who called your Church to bear witness
that you were in Christ reconciling the
world to yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your
love,
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;
through him who was lifted up on the
cross,
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy
Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Next Sunday: Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity 2nd of September 2018

8AM HOLY COMMUNION(BCP)

10AM FAMILY SERVICE

6.30PM HOLY COMMUNION(CW)

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King Charles the Martyr Church, Tunbridge Wells

This Week at King Charles

Wed 29th 11.30am HOLY COMMUNION(BCP)

Fri 3^{1st} 1pm Prayers in the Quiet Corner

Sat 1st Sept 7.30pm Concert in the Church

Notices

1 Archdeacon Visit

We are delighted that our preacher and celebrant for the 10am Parish Communion on Sunday the 9th of September will be the Archdeacon of Tonbridge The Ven Julie Conalty.

2 Confirmation Service

This years service of Confirmation will take place at 6pm on Sunday the 30th September at St Lukes Church, Tunbridge Wells. There will be no evening service at KCM as we hope that as many people as possible will come and support our candidates.

If you are interesting in pursuing confirmation for either you or your child who should be of secondary school age or older then please contact one of the clergy. The classes will take place on the following dates in the Upper room of the Church hall.

Adults: Mon 10th Mon 17th Mon 24th All classes 7:30pm

Children: Sun 9th Sun 16th Sun 23rd All Classes 12noon

3 Admission of Children to Communion

We will be admitting children to communion during our Harvest festival celebrations on Sunday the 7th October.

Classes for children wishing to receive communion will take place alongside Junior church on Sundays the 9th, 16th and 23rd of September.

If your child is baptised and of 7 years of age or older and you would like them to be admitted to communion then please speak to a member of the clergy.

4 Concert

The first concert of the season will be on Saturday 1st September at 7.30pm with music by Debussy, Stravinsky and others played by William Bass(Cello) and Masahiro Yamaguchi (piano).See leaflets at the back of the Church.

**No Charity Collections
for August**

5 Ride & Stride – Kent churches

On Saturday 8 September between 10.00 AM and 6.00 PM King Charles the Martyr will be among the many churches and chapels in Kent which will welcome participants in this sponsored nationwide event. Richard Still, Richard Morrice, Richard Aydon and Richard Davies-Knight will be riding and striding and seeking sponsorship for this very worthy cause this year

Readings Today

❖ FIRST READING 1 Kings 8. 22-30, 41-43,

²² Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. ²³He said, ‘O Lord, God of Israel, there is

no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, ²⁴the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and have this day fulfilled with your hand. ²⁵Therefore, O Lord, God of Israel, keep for your servant my father David that which you promised him, saying, “There shall never fail you a successor before me to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children look to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me.”

²⁶Therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you promised to your servant my father David.

²⁷ ‘But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! ²⁸Have regard to your servant’s prayer and his plea, O Lord my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; ²⁹that your eyes may be open night and day towards this house, the place of which you said, “My name shall be there”, that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays towards this place. ³⁰Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray towards this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling-place; heed and forgive.

⁴¹ ‘Likewise when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a distant land because of your name ⁴²— for they shall hear of your great name, your mighty hand, and your outstretched arm—when a foreigner comes and prays towards this house, ⁴³then hear in heaven your dwelling-place, and do according to all that the foreigner calls to you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your people Israel, and so that they may know that your name has been invoked on this house that I have built.

❖ SECOND READING Ephesians 6. 10-20,

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. ¹¹Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may

be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹²For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. ¹⁵As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. ¹⁶With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.