

❖ GOSPEL *Mark 9. 30-37*

³⁰ They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; ³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' ³²But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

³³ Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' ³⁴But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. ³⁵He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' ³⁶Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'



**King Charles the Martyr
Tunbridge Wells**

**17th Sunday after
Trinity 23rd
September 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 Services

8AM HOLY COMMUNION(BCP)

James 3.13-4.3,7-8a, Mark 9. 30-37

President: The Revd Laurence Powell

10AM PARISH COMMUNION(CW)

PROVERBS 31. 10-END,

JAMES 3.13-4.3,7-8a, MARK 9. 30-37

Hymns: 676, 3, 454, 648

President: The Revd Claire Allwood

Deacon: The Revd Sarah Partridge

Preacher: The Revd Sarah Partridge

A creche is available in the Church Hall

Please ask a sidesman for directions

6.30PM CELTIC MEDITATIVE PRAYER

PRESIDENT: THE REVD LAURENCE POWELL

Next Sunday: Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity 30th of September 2018

8AM HOLY COMMUNION(BCP)

10AM PARISH COMMUNION(CW)

6.30PM NO SERVICE

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 King Charles the Martyr Church, Tunbridge Wells

Collect for the Week

Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless till they find their
rest in you:
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to
yourself,
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city
where we shall see you face to face;
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 26th - 11.30am HOLY COMMUNION(BCP)

7.30PM CONCERT IN THE CHURCH

7.30PM KCM MEN'S GROUP

Fri 28th - 1pm Prayers in the Quiet Corner

Notices

1 Confirmation Service

This years service of Confirmation will take place at 6pm on next Sunday 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.

2 Harvest Lunch

Following the auction we will be holding our annual harvest lunch in the Church Hall. Sign up sheets for the lunch are near the Church-watch table. Adults and children over 4 years £10 (apologies but no concessions); children aged 4 years and under - £4.

3 Harvest Festival 7th Oct'

10am Family Communion Service:

We are delighted to say that the Bishop of Rochester will preside and preach at this years Harvest Festival and that he will remain with us for the Auction and Lunch. During this special service we will be admitting some of our children to communion for the first time.

Harvest Auction: The proceeds of the Harvest Auction following the service are to be split between Nourish Food Bank and the TW Winter Shelter project. Please bring your gifts to the 10am service that day.

We welcome a wide variety of produce including: fruit, vegetables, flowers, cakes, bread, biscuits, preserves, wine, eggs etc and look forward to your generous bidding at this event which is always great fun.

4 Kent Churches Ride & Stride –

Many thanks to Joan, Andrew, John and Norma who manned KCM to welcome participants from other churches. Thanks also to the Richards (Aydon, Morrice, Davies-Knight and Still) who strode out for the cause. Many thanks also to the many members of the congregation who have contributed generously. It is still not too late to give to this worthy cause!

Charity Collections for September
Kenward Trust

Gift aid envelopes at the back of the Church

Readings Today

FIRST READING *Proverbs 31. 10-end,*

¹⁰ A capable wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. ¹ The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. ¹² She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life. ¹³ She seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands. ¹⁴ She is like the ships of the merchant, she brings her food from far away.

¹⁵ She rises while it is still night

and provides food for her household and tasks for her servant-girls. ¹⁶ She considers a field and buys it, with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard. ¹⁷ She girds herself with strength,

and makes her arms strong. ¹⁸ She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night. ¹⁹ She puts her hands to the distaff, and her hands hold the spindle. ²⁰ She opens her hand to the poor, and reaches out her hands to the needy. ²¹ She is not afraid for her household when it snows, for all her household are clothed in crimson. ²² She makes herself coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple.

²³ Her husband is known in the city gates, taking his seat among the elders of the land. ²⁴ She makes linen garments and sells them; she supplies the merchant with sashes. ²⁵ Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. ²⁶ She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. ²⁷

She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. ²⁸ Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her: ²⁹ 'Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all.' ³⁰ Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. ³¹ Give her a share in the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the city gates.

❖SECOND READING *James 3.13-4.3,7-8a*

¹³ Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness

born of wisdom. ¹⁴ But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. ¹⁵ Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. ¹⁶ For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. ¹⁷ But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. ¹⁸ And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

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Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? ² You want something and do not

have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³ You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

⁷ Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸ Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.