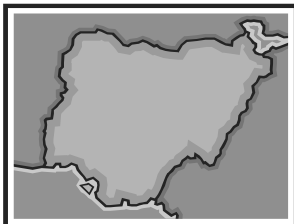


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"Far be it from me to glory except in the cross of Christ,
by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world." Galatians 6:14



Farewell

On Sunday, 13 September, we regretfully gave our official goodbyes to our much loved non-stipendiary assistant priest, Fr Tunji, who leaves to complete his PhD in London. His pastoral contribution to the fellowship of our church has been immense. Our prayers and very best wishes go to him and all his family. We will, of course, keep in touch, and look forward to seeing him on future visits./Ed.

Funke, Adeerimi and I would like to express our profound gratitude for all your love and support. We have really had a good time in St Salvador's. We cannot count the blessings God has lavished on us while we were with you. Indeed, God has been faithful and we thank Him for the opportunity He has granted us to serve in your midst.

Personally, I have learnt a lot and indeed I have loads of experience to carry with me as we move on. These two years have really contributed to my ministry. I served as a curate before leaving Nigeria for a short period of time. When I came to Dundee my brother who had been attending the 9 a.m. service told Father Clive I am a priest and before I knew what was happening, I was invited to be one of the officiating ministers. I had been enjoying the services as a regular worshipper during the 11am service until I was suddenly "exposed". This surprised some people as we discussed during the first time I officiated as they told me: 'So you are a priest ... why have you been hiding all this while?'

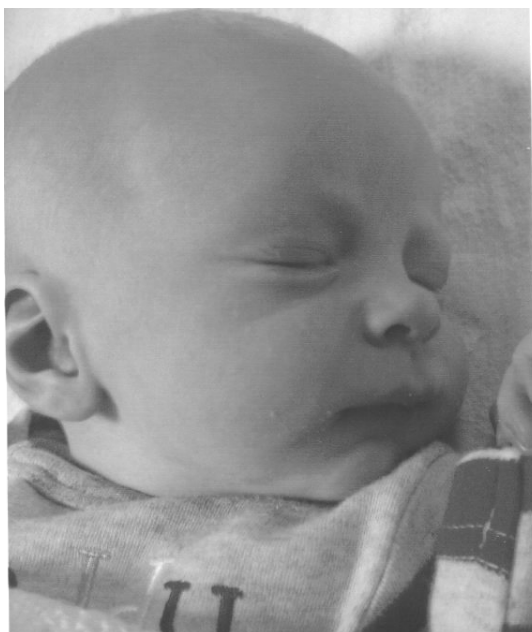
It is Christ that has brought us all together. Without Him, we may not have met in any way and as a result, we praise Him for the joy and

goodies He has allowed us to share together. Today, we are in a tough religious climate in Christendom and there are a lot of things trying to confuse and distract us from the truth as proclaimed by Christ. There are lots of fine sounding arguments and ideologies jeopardizing everything the Christian faith has stood for since the early church. The Scriptures encourage us to stand firm in these turbulent times. We can only do that through studying the scripture in order to verify every wind of doctrine going around and by drawing closer to God in prayer. We should also be wary of people who want to reduce the authority of the scriptures. As long as we hold to Christ and Him alone, we will always be able to share in the joy of his presence until we come into His kingdom.

We also want to thank all the Sunday school staff and students. Adeerimi and Funke had a great and wonderful time with you all. The Sunday school is one of the blessings that God has lavished on us in St Salvador's. These children could have chosen to be in a different place anytime they come to church and if God keeps directing them to us, He will give us the grace to direct them to the cross of Christ. So we pray for our teachers that God will continue to strengthen them in this service of love. We also like to thank all the servers, sacristy, choristers, choir director, organist and the wardens for making our time in St Salvador's a swell time.

Lastly, we would like to thank the officiating ministers and their wives: Fr Clive and Katie, Fr George and Elsie. We have enjoyed every bit of the time we have spent together.

Once more, we want to thank each and every member of St Salvador's at large. It has been a great privilege serving during these two years. We shall indeed miss you all. Please continue to remember us in your prayers as we move on. We love you. God bless you all. Fr Tunji



Muriel and Eric McKelvie would like to say 'thank you' for the prayers, good wishes, cards and gifts received on the birth of their grandson Alexander Christian Hardy, 6lbs. 4oz., on Monday, 10th August at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, London. So far, Baby Alexander, Mum Stefanie and Dad Brian are all well.

The Annual General Meeting of St Salvador's Church will take place after the 11 AM Mass on Sunday 18 October 2009 in the church.

Any items for consideration should be submitted in advance.

All nominations should be given to the Chairman in writing not later than a week before the AGM. Nomination forms are available at the back of the church.

A note from Iran

The good thing is that I am feeling much better and with more energy so gradually I can do my normal life and even do some exercises. First of all thanks to GOD and then thanks to all people who prayed and pray for me especially my friends at St Salvador's. I hope one day I can see you all again. My best wishes to all my friends in St Salvador's.



Love, Yady

ALL SOULS DAY

Monday, 2nd November

Requiem Masses

at 10 AM and 7 PM

If you would like a departed friend or family member prayed for at our Requiem Masses, please print their names legibly on the All Souls List at the back of the church.

Increased Use of the Upper Hall

On Sundays from 11.30 AM to 2 PM another African church group has for some months been worshipping in the Upper Hall. In August we welcomed Dundee College performing arts students, who for the next 3 terms will use the hall for classes and rehearsals. We are very pleased to be providing space for both these groups.

Scottish Guild of Servers Annual Festival

Two thousand and nine marks the 81st anniversary of the foundation of the Scottish Guild of Servers. This year's annual festival brought incense, although for some unknown reason no bells, to Holy Trinity in Stirling. Servers wearing many different colours of cassocks (and a few albs) gathered from across the province. Two representatives from the Guild of Servants of the Sanctuary travelled from south of the border to be with us.

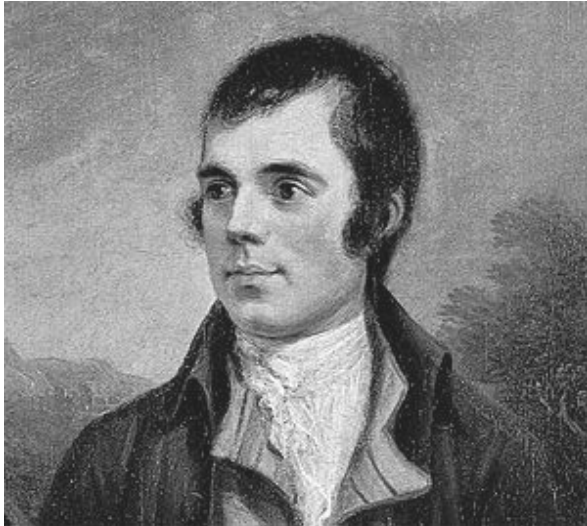
The festival Eucharist was presided over for the last time by Fr Donald Strachan who, coming to the end of his four-year term as chaplain general of the guild, was replaced at the AGM by Fr Jeremy Paisey, Rector of All Saints', Buckie. A new constitution was also received for consultation; whilst tidying up some exclusive language it appears to remain faithful to the objectives of the guild, which are to foster fellowship, reverence, devotion and regular service in the sanctuary. Admitted to membership during the festival Eucharist was Dundee's newest member of the guild, Robson St Clair, who has served at St Margaret's Lochee for some time. The event ended as usual with the guild office sung in plainsong.

Next year's festival will be held on Saturday 10th September in St Andrew's, Banff.. AG

Flower fund (August and September)

Grateful thanks for their kind contributions go to:

- Evelyn Rodger
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- Ann Haldane
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WORDS AND WORTHIES

Robert Burns

Robert Burns passed through Dundee in September 1787, when he was at the height of his fame, having published the second edition of his *Poems* in Edinburgh earlier that year. He had been as far north as Aberdeen and was returning (and visiting some of his father's relations on the way) through Stonehaven, Laurencekirk, Montrose and Arbroath. He described Dundee as a 'low-lying but pleasant town', which seems odd (the 'low-lying', I mean) until we recall that this was before the town had started to move up the hill.

The present year marks the 250th anniversary of Burns' birth, and once more people will have been trying to come to terms with the meaning of the man, his poetry, his ideas, his short and (in some ways) sad life. His views on religion in particular have always presented a problem. What did he believe? Had he got around to working out a full and consistent view about God and the Church? Probably not. But two things seem clear.

One is that he felt passionately that human life is an awesome responsibility, and that it makes sense to refer it to a Supreme Being, and to tackle it in whatever light God has been pleased to give us. Burns was no atheist.

The second thing is that he detested hypocrisy, wherever he found it; and – given the society he lived in – that meant primarily in religious circles. Nowadays we may be more likely to

find hypocrisy and sanctimoniousness and self-righteousness in other places, and recognise it as a common human failing, not exclusively religious.

Some of his most likeable poems are light-hearted assaults on the self-importance of the 'unco guid', the people who thought of goodness as something that should *separate* you from others. Burns thought that real goodness should draw people *together*. He was essentially a sociable man (perhaps too sociable for his own good sometimes) though he had terrible fits of loneliness and depression too.

There is no *one* 'Robert Burns' because he is too complex for that. We have to find for ourselves the man behind the myth. When he died at the age of 37 *he* was probably still trying to find out for himself who he was.

Among the many books produced this year to mark the anniversary, can I recommend two in particular? Robert Crawford, *The Bard* – a long and carefully balanced biography, and – a shorter book, mainly a selection of his poems with helpful notes – *The Best Laid Schemes*, edited by Robert Crawford and Christopher MacLachlan. Both authors work in St Andrews.

Fr Gordon

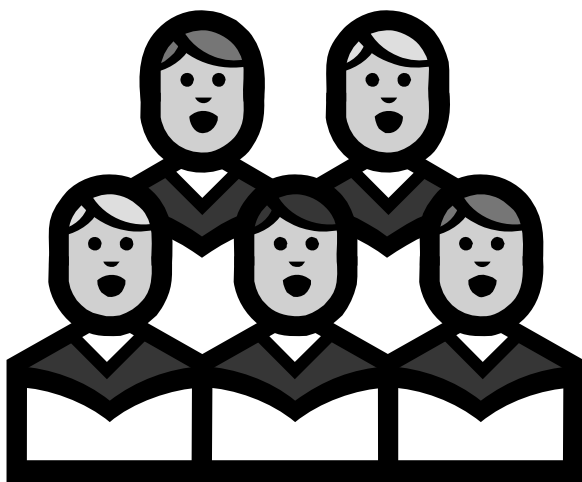
Holy Cross Day: 14th September 2009

There was a sense of anticipation of something special about to happen. A number of those present said so later. They weren't wrong.

Our Solemn High Mass and Procession to mark our annual Festival was very special on a number of levels. It was well attended by visitors, Cantiones Sacrae did a wonderful job singing a glorious Renaissance era Mass setting, the sanctuary personnel (from four congregations) were plentiful and proficient, and the fellowship time afterwards was hospitable and friendly.

Thank you to all those who were involved in this year's Holy Cross Festival at St. Salvador's. It was something special indeed!

GREAT NEWS: We have heard that Fr. Tunji's sister, Tinu, who was with us while studying for a degree at Dundee University, is expecting a baby in Nigeria in December. Every blessing!



Graeme sings Gesualdo (amongst other things)

Following my trip to the liturgical music course based at Wells Cathedral last October, I decided I'd like a more challenging course in 2009. So, this year I signed up for a week-long course directed by JanJoost van Elburg, a hugely experienced choral director from the Netherlands. The course, which is held in Corsham, Wiltshire, is specifically designed for those who want to perfect their skills in singing one-voice-per-part rather than in larger choirs.

After church on Sunday 23rd August I caught the afternoon flight from Dundee to London City Airport, crossed London on the Tube and then took the train from Paddington to Chippenham in Wiltshire. I was met at the station by the couple with whom I was to stay the week, Edward and Celia James. A fifteen-minute drive took us to the charming village of Corsham, a historic market town in Wiltshire at the south-western extreme of the Cotswolds.

Edward and Celia live at "The Rookery", a house dating back to the 1700's which has been their home for almost ten years following their move from London when they retired. Having dropped off my belongings, they drove me along the road to the historic village of Lacock (pronounced *Laycock*) which dates back to the 13th century and is owned almost in its entirety by the National Trust. Due to its unspoilt appearance, Lacock has been used as a film and television set for scenes in a number of BBC period dramas and big films including most of the Harry Potter series.

The course began with a reception on Sunday evening for the twelve participants hosted by Andrew van der Beek who organises and runs the Lacock courses. It took the form of a delightful outdoor dinner in grounds of his home, Cantax House, a beautiful former vicarage in Lacock. Participants came from as far afield as Dublin, Austria, the Netherlands, Sweden and, of course, Scotland and it was pleasant to meet each other informally before the hard work began!

Monday was the first singing day and we met at The Pound Arts Centre in Corsham at 9.30 for the first of JanJoost's warm-up sessions and then worked throughout the day on various pieces including Byrd's *Justorum anime*, Victoria's twelve-voice/three-choir work, *Laetatus sum*, and one of Carlo Gesualdo's extraordinary madrigals, *Mille volte il di*. The day ended with a meal at the Quarryman's, a pub in an attractive country setting with stunning views of the rolling Wiltshire Hills.

On Tuesday we consolidated music from the first day and also worked on various new pieces including Greaves' *Come away sweet love* and Bennet's *Weep, O mine eyes*. Unknown to me, this was also the week of the famous Edington Festival which is described as "a festival of music within the liturgy" and is held in a 14th century priory church not far from Corsham. It was decided that we would go *en masse* to that evening's Solemn Evensong and Compline. There were two choirs: a nave choir of men and boys under the direction of Assistant Master of Music of Westminster Cathedral and a consort of mixed voices under the direction of Jeremy Summerly who is known primarily as director of the Oxford Camerata.

The music was exquisitely sung by both choirs and included *Drop, drop, slow tears* (Kenneth Leighton), *Preces & Responses* (Orlando Gibbons & John Barnard), *Evening Service in G minor* (Henry Purcell), and the stunning *Peccavimus cum patribus nostris* (Christopher Tye). Shortly after Evensong ended *Schola Cantorum*, a male-voice group under the direction of Andrew Carwood, Director of Music at St Paul's Cathedral, sang Compline by candlelight for which I managed to sneak into the choir stalls for a closer look and listen! After Compline, I was delighted to be invited to the local pub and had the chance to catch up

with Andrew Carwood who is an old friend of *Cantiones Sacrae* having come to Dundee on two occasions to give the group master classes.

Wednesday started with the usual warm-up: a mixture of vocal and physical exercises designed to prepare everyone for a busy day's singing. Work then began on another two of Carlo Gesualdo's songs: *Io tacerò & Invan dunque*, pieces of astonishing complexity and emotion which took most of the morning to even begin to perfect. We also worked on other madrigals, Victoria's *Laetatus sum*, and finished the day by listening to various recordings of Gesualdo's music to focus our minds on the subtler aspects of performance.

On the morning of the penultimate day we practised two of the longer works in two separate groups. The song I was rehearsing was by Renaissance composer Robert Ramsey entitled *How are the mighty fallen*: David's lamentation over Saul and over Jonathan his son, with text taken from the book of Samuel. This is an intensely sad sounding six-voice piece which I found was immensely satisfying to sing.

During a break that afternoon I visited Corsham Court, a country house in a park designed by Capability Brown. The house has a fine art collection including religious works such as The Annunciation by Fra Filippo Lippi. Corsham Court is currently the home of James Methuen-Campbell, the eighth generation of the Methuens to live there. The remainder of the afternoon was then spent polishing up all the works for the public performance we were scheduled to give in Lacock Church the following evening.

Having hugely enjoyed our visit to the Edington Festival earlier in the week, a small group of us decided we would like to go again on Thursday evening. My hosts for the week kindly lent me their car and four of us headed back to the festival. The format was somewhat different that evening being a "Sequence of Music and Readings" rather than a traditional service. Once again, we were not disappointed. As well as an assortment of readings on the theme "Thou art the King of glory", there was a magnificent selection of music performed by both the mixed voice consort and *Schola Cantorum* including *Priidite*, *Poklonimsia*

(Rachmaninov), *Credo* (Gombert), *Jauchzet Dem Herrn* (Schütz), the wonderfully rhythmic *Brazilian Psalm* (Berger), and a plainsong *Alleluia*.

The final day of the course came all too quickly and throughout the morning and early afternoon we rehearsed intensively to perfect all the pieces we were to perform that evening. After a short break, we drove to Lacock Church for a final practice to familiarise ourselves with the acoustic of the venue and to "choreograph" where each of us was to stand for each of the small-group motets, songs, and madrigals. The concert, which ran from 6pm until just after 7pm, was enjoyed by a small but very appreciative audience.

After the performance, Andrew van der Beek and his wife hosted a farewell dinner at their home for the course participants. It was a lovely way to round off the week and gave everyone the opportunity to relax over a glass of wine and a bite to eat. The evening ended with some (very!) impromptu singing and then fond farewells before everyone went their separate ways.

It was a wonderful week with challenging yet enjoyable music, interesting folk, and inspirational direction from JanJoost. Here's to the next one.... I might try one of the courses which is based in Florence or Rome! In the meantime, I've just received an e-mail from Jan Joost asking if I could sing for another event he's organising in Devon. What next, I wonder?

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Dreaming Cat

Bristling whiskers, twitching paws,
The feline has a dream.
Is it mice she's thinking of,
Or oceans full of cream?

No, she dreams a world of folk
Whose joy and great delight
Is just to meet her deepest need
For worship day and night.

Clive Clapson

Obeying the Bishop

As all of you know, our Bishop has asked the congregations of the Diocese to refrain from “Passing the Peace” and drinking from the Chalice during the current Swine Flu pandemic. I know that many of you miss receiving from the Cup when you make your communion. However, I want to take this opportunity to again emphasise that you are not getting only “half the Sacrament” even though the Precious Blood is not received from the Chalice. This is especially the case here at St. Salvador’s, as every Sacred Host that is administered has been intincted by the Celebrant. Thus everyone is still receiving BOTH, though it may not look like it.

I’m aware that some congregations in the city and Diocese are doing things differently, and some are even ignoring the Bishop’s wishes in this matter completely. It seems to me, however, that the way we are administering the Sacrament by intinction is faithful to our Anglican customs, and the fact that we are obeying our Bishop on a matter that does not affect conscience is a welcome witness to Catholic principles and discipline.

Fr Clive



Sermon preached by the Rector on Holy Cross Day 2009

She had come to get some help with groceries from the church after our main service was finished. She wasn’t making ends meet. You could see that by the chalky pallor of her skin and by her worn-out clothes. Life was hard for that young woman. I’m glad that we could help her --- one of about a dozen people we helped that day. I don’t remember them all, but I remember her.

Our church building was designed and built by the great Victorian church architect Bodley. It was the only church in Scotland that he designed, personally supervised the construction of, and brought to full completion. We’ve been told that St. Salvador’s is the best example of Bodley’s work in Scotland. One of the characteristics of his designs is a very plain exterior. The interior of Bodley’s churches, however, is another matter entirely. The word that sums it up best is “glory”. A riot of colour and symbols, the interior was intended to convey the glory of God in a poor neighbourhood that everyone thought God had abandoned. Built in stages, starting with a school for local children, the land was given and its buildings were paid for by subscribers in England and Scotland who believed deeply in the Church’s mission to the urban poor and who were prepared to give sacrificially to fund it.

Was their money well spent? Even to those of us that love it, admittedly St. Salvador’s doesn’t look like very much from the outside. At one time it would have been even less remarkable, as it was hemmed in on every side by crowded tenements, busy shops and non-stop factories. Each wave of local redevelopment in succeeding generations has stripped away the Victorian urban clutter from around the building, until now St. Salvador’s stands on its own in full view. It isn’t a pretty sight. If it was the intention of the city planners to showcase the building as a local landmark, they have done it no favours. Passers-by see a dull old building not wearing its age very well. They don’t know about the glory we can see around us within the church.

Our tiny, aging, mostly blue-collar congregation has carried the heavy burden of the maintenance of this architectural treasure for decades to the

best of their limited abilities. That St. Salvador's is still open and used for services at all is a testimony to their work and faithfulness. However, despite our best efforts, everyone can see that the outwardly non-descript church building is crumbling. It isn't a pretty sight. But it was never meant to be a pretty sight --- at least not from the outside. The intention of the founders of St. Salvador's was mission: to get the church seen, not from the **outside**, but from the **inside**. Having drawn the church's poor neighbours inside, the vision was to introduce sad, ugly and broken lives to the love, beauty and glory of the God who had not forgotten them, and whose Son crucified on the Cross is the eternal sign of that. To scoffers it remains a foolish idea; to others it still has the power to change lives.

When you entered St. Salvador's today, the first thing you may have seen before coming into the spectacular main body of the church was two notice boards. One of them is a patchwork of notices like one sees in many churches. The other notice board has a series of photos of the decaying fabric of the building, along with a plea for contributions to the Restoration Fund. These photos pull no punches, yet even so, something of the great vision of God present among the forgotten, the great vision that long ago motivated the founders of St. Salvador's, is still evident. But the decay on display bears sad testimony that the vision is now fading.

The urban poor are still here, within sight of the church, and, despite several redevelopments, the area is still a slum. Our neighbours, who come to us seeking a helping hand, wait for the end of our service just inside the church entrance, unless they want to worship with us. Not many of them do. They would probably feel out of place. Like that pasty-faced young woman in worn-out clothes I mentioned earlier.

She had been sitting there at the entrance awhile. I guess she had had plenty of time to look at our notice boards. I can't think that there would be much on the one to interest her. Why should it? The patchwork of notices barely interests the members of our own congregation. But the young woman had taken to heart the message of the second notice board, with its photos of decaying glory and its plea for the Restoration Fund.



Many people came to Jesus motivated by self-interest. They ran out of wine. They ran out of food. They, or someone they loved, needed to be healed. They weren't looking for God; and God didn't seem to be looking for them. They came wanting something from Jesus for themselves or for their loved ones. However, self interest as a motivation was not a thing that Our Lord spurned. He didn't withhold His gifts from those who asked Him for them.

Some of our neighbours come to us, saying that they need help to put food on the table. Sometimes we know that they are taking advantage of us. That's alright: we're not here to judge and condemn. They're responsible for what they tell us; we're accountable for our response to a request for help. Sometimes they are obviously genuine, and may have been sleeping rough for days. That's why we help them. Sometimes they offer to pay us back. They never do, but that's alright too. Our Lord was never repaid, or seldom even thanked, for what He gave.

Jesus once said that, when lifted up from the earth [on the Cross], He would draw all people to Himself. "All people": presumably that included the dishonest, the ungrateful, the selfish, the foolish, the wasteful, the lazy and breakers of promises – people not only like our neighbours around here, but also like each one of us at one time or another. Our Lord came to draw us all to Himself; we are His wounded hands today, out-stretched to our neighbours.

The pasty-faced young woman in worn-out clothes didn't worship with us that day that she came for help. She waited, and finally she got her bag of groceries at the end of our service. She had had a while to look at that notice board, with its photos of God's glory fading away from her neighbourhood. Before she left, she emptied out her pockets and came up with a donation of 20p for the St. Salvador's Restoration Fund. "I don't want this church to close", she said.

Sermon preached by Fr Tunji on Sunday, 13th September, 2009

..but whoever listens to me will live in safety and be at ease, without fear of harm.

Proverbs 1:33

Wisdom Calls

Wisdom is personified in our first reading today as she cries out relentlessly to the simple to hear her out and leave their simple ways. The simple people in Proverbs generally refer to those without moral direction and inclined to evil. We read of wisdom taking her stand at the streets, public squares, noisy streets (or top of the walls) and gateways to call out to those around her. It is interesting to note all these places are the places where we would normally carry out our day-to-day activities. The scripture confirms that Christ is the Wisdom of God and if we care enough listen to Him, we will find Him calling us to Himself in our homes, when we go out either to work or for shopping and when we stand at the crossroads of our lives, at the gateways when we want to make decisions affecting our lives.

The psalmist in the psalm we read today speaks of one of the mediums through which Christ is calling out to us. Psalm 19:1-3 says *The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge. There is no speech or language where their voice is not heard.*

He desires to have a relationship with us. The reason why Christ is calling out to us is because He wants us to have a relationship with Him. This is clearly shown in our reading from Proverbs 3:23 as wisdom cried out: *If you had responded to my rebuke, I would have poured out my heart to you and made my thoughts known to you.*

Christ wants to be our Lord and our Saviour. He wants to save us from our slavery to sin, from the clutches of the devil and the impending wrath of God which is going to come upon the disobedient at the end of days. He wants to give us a brand new life. To come into this relationship Christ tells to do three things in our gospel reading today: *If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.* Mark 8:34

Denying ourselves is allowing Christ to take the lead in our lives. In other words, His agenda must become our agenda, his goals must become our goals and his life must become our life. He must be the number one in our lives and we must allow Him to direct the course of our lives.

Secondly, we must carry our cross. This means that we must be ready to count the cost of following Christ. This includes giving up habits that does not glorify Christ in our lives. A good example is the way and manner we use our tongue as James pointed out in our epistle today. We have to give up our shameful way of life and in many cases our relationship with anyone or anything that constantly encourages us to do things God hates. Our hearts also need to be purged of every root of bitterness. Every malice and unforgiving spirit locked away in our lives also forms part of what we need to give up if we want to relate with Christ. (Sunday school song: some things I used to do, there is a great change since I became born again... If you say you belong to Christ, I would like to ask you what you have given up because of Him. If you can't think of anything, it would be very good to re-examine your relationship with Him today).

Thirdly, in order to enter a relationship with Christ, He says we should follow Him. This means obeying whatever Christ is saying to us concerning our lives. When we set our hearts to be obedient; Christ will draw us into a relationship with Himself. Jesus confirms this in John 14:21: *Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him.*

Wisdom is Rejected

Despite the best intention of Christ to draw us to Himself into a loving relationship, we find that He is rejected by many. Our reading from proverbs confirms this: *...you rejected me when I called and no one gave heed when I stretched out my hand ...you ignored all my advice and would not accept my rebuke... they hated knowledge and did not choose to fear the LORD.*

Jesus also confirmed this Himself in our gospel reading when He said that He was going to be

rejected by the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law. During His time on earth, Jesus had demonstrated with many signs and wonders that He is the Christ as Peter confirmed in our reading. He has made known to those around Him that He is the light of the world, the bread of Life, the good Shepherd, the gate for the sheep, the way, the truth and the life and the Son of the living God but they rejected Him because of the truth He declared about Himself. It is the knowledge of this truth that is still very much hated today.

Instead of responding to the call of Christ, many have turned to Buddha, Muhammad and all sorts of lesser gods as the way to the true God. Christ's call through the nature as the great designer who designed and created the heavens and the earth has been rejected in favour of evolution by many. The love of Christ as declared to us as he stretched his hands on the cross of Calvary has been rejected by many and they now look for love where there is no love. Instead of choosing the fear of the Lord and doing what is righteous before God many have chosen evil and no wonder we find corruption, crime, sexual immorality, war, greed, cults and secret societies all around us.

Consequences

Our reading from Proverbs tells us the danger of failing to heed the call of wisdom. It speaks of calamities, disaster, distress and trouble awaiting those who rejected wisdom. Christ also confirmed this, in Matthew 23:37–38, about those who rejected him during his time on earth:

O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gather her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing. Look, your house is left to you desolate.

Shortly after this, Jesus predicted the fall of Jerusalem and from history, we know that Jerusalem fell to the Romans in 70 AD. As individuals when we fail to heed Christ call in our lives, we also head for danger. We suffer heartbreaks and disappointments when we look for love elsewhere, we suffer from depression and sometimes to the state of despair when we

allow bitterness, unforgiveness and malice to rip our hearts apart without allow Christ to heal our hearts, we lose good friends and families because of the foul way we use our tongues, we become prisoners in the prison we have built by ourselves due to hatred, wrath, uncontrolled anger and selfish ambition because we have not allowed Christ to take His place in our lives.

Above all, we risk the danger of facing the wrath of God on that day when we shall all stand before Christ and the only thing that will matter on that day is whether we have accepted Christ as our Lord and have allowed Him to take His place in our hearts. Those who reject Him will be separated from God forever; this is what is referred to as eternal death.

Blessings of Heeding

However Brethren, today is the day of hope and salvation. Our reading from Proverbs confirmed that whoever (i.e. no matter our race, culture, climate, background and no matter what we might have done) listens to wisdom i.e. Christ, will live in safety and be at ease, without fear of harm. This is the blessing that await us when we harken to the voice of Christ. As we listen to Him, He will restore our peace and joy; He will bring meaning into our lives and put the devil underneath our feet.

You may be here today and you know in your heart that you have not allowed Christ in your heart; today is another opportunity for you to heed his voice. Christ says in Rev 3:20: *Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and open the door, I will come in and eat with him and he with me.* The writer to the Hebrews encourage us in Hebrews 3:15 saying: *...Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as you did in the rebellion.*

Christ is waiting patiently for us to let Him into our hearts. With love in His heart, His hands are stretched wide open to receive us. A songwriter wrote:

*Oh how He loves you and me,
He gave his life that we might be free
Oh how He loves you and me.*

Why not open your heart today and allow Christ in. If you do, He will draw you into an amazing relationship and you will never regret it.

Come Celebrate!

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St Luke, Evangelist (18 October)

Luke is the author of the Gospel bearing his name, and also of the Book of the Acts of the Apostles. From Acts we learn that he was a gentile convert to Christianity, a doctor, who accompanied St Paul on his second and third missionary

journeys, and who stayed with him in Rome while he was in captivity. Eastern Christians credit St Luke with having produced the first ikon. He is thought to have died in Greece at the age of 84.

Ss. Simon and Jude, Apostles (28 Oct.)

Simon and Jude were named among the twelve apostles in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke. Simon is called 'the Zealot', probably because he belonged to a nationalist resistance movement opposing Roman rule. Luke describes Jude as the son of James, while the Letter of Jude has him as the brother of James, neither of which negates the other. It seems he is the same person as Thaddaeus, which may have been a last name. The two apostles are combined on 28 October because a church that had recently acquired their relics was dedicated in Rome this day in the 7th century.

Christmas cards ... are now available at the back of the church after the main services. These are in packs of five for around a pound.

S. LUKE
A doctor, probably
also an artist



Anagrams *(Thanks to John Caithness)*

PRESBYTERIAN becomes: *BEST IN PRAYER*

EPISCOPALIAN becomes: *SPECIAL PIANO*

ASTRONOMER becomes: *MOON STARER*

DESPERATION becomes: *A ROPE ENDS IT*

THE EYES becomes: *THEY SEE*

THE MORSE CODE becomes: *HERE COME DOTS*

DORMITORY becomes: *DIRTY ROOM*

SLOT MACHINES becomes: *CASH LOST IN ME*

ANIMOSITY becomes: *IS NO AMITY*

ELECTION RESULTS becomes: *LIES – LET'S COUNT*

SNOOZE ALARMS becomes: *ALAS! NO MORE 'Z'S*

A DECIMAL POINT becomes: *I'M A DOT IN PLACE*

ELEVEN PLUS TWO becomes: *TWELVE PLUS ONE*

And for the grand finale:

MOTHER-IN-LAW becomes: *WOMAN HITLER (!)*

Doors Open Days 2009

'Doors Open Days' this year was co-ordinated by the Scottish Civic Trust and St Salvador's was one of the buildings that constituted the 'small but perfectly formed collection of sites' taking part on the 19th and 20th of September.

The purpose of this annual event is to give people the opportunity to explore some of Dundee's fascinating and sometimes hidden heritage. Some three dozen visitors of assorted ages and backgrounds came to view the church and spend some time enjoying its architecture and peaceful surroundings.

Thanks to those who helped man the church, welcome visitors and show them around during Doors Open 2009.

Recycling

We continue to collect used postage stamps (domestic and foreign) and postcards, as well as old spectacles and (clean) tin foil to raise money for a variety of good causes. Please bring any contributions to church and leave them in the basket at the back.

Food cupboard

Thank you very much for your donations of food and useful household/family items to our cupboard at the back of the church for those who come to us for assistance.

Kalendar

October 2009				November 2009			
			Services				Services
Thu	1						
Fri	2						
Sat	3	Monthly Requiem	11.00 am				
Sun	4	Trinity 17	9.00 am 11.00 am	Sun	1	All Saints Day	9.00 am 11.00 am
		<i>Evensong cancelled</i>	(5.00 pm)			<i>Evensong & Benediction</i>	5.00 pm
Mon	5			Mon	2	All Souls	10.00 am
Tue	6	Feria	7.00 pm				7.00 pm
Wed	7	Feria	10.00 am	Tue	3	Richard Hooker	7.00 pm
Thu	8			Wed	4	Feria	10.00 am
Fri	9			Thu	5		
Sat	10			Fri	6		
Sun	11	Trinity 18	9.00 am 11.00 am	Sat	7	Monthly Requiem	11.00 am
Mon	12			Sun	8	Remembrance Sunday (Trinity 22)	9.00 am 11.00 am
Tue	13	Feria	7.00 pm	Mon	9		
Wed	14	Feria	10.00 am	Tue	10	St Leo the Great	7.00 pm
Thu	15			Wed	11	St Martin	10.00 am
Fri	16			Thu	12		
Sat	17			Fri	13		
Sun	18	St Luke (Trinity 19)	9.00 am 11.00 am	Sat	14		
		AGM after High Mass		Sun	15	Trinity 23	9.00 am 11.00 am
Mon	19			Mon	16	St Margaret of Scotland	7.00 pm
Tue	20	Feria	7.00 pm	Tue	17	St Hugh of Lincoln	7.00 pm
Wed	21	Feria	10.00 am	Wed	18	St Fergus	10.00 am
Thu	22			Thu	19		
Fri	23			Fri	20		
Sat	24			Sat	21		
Sun	25	Trinity 20	9.00 am 11.00 am	Sun	22	Christ the King	9.00 am 11.00 am
Mon	26			Mon	23		
Tue	27	Feria	7.00 pm	Tue	24	Feria	7.00 pm
Wed	28	Ss Simon and Jude	10.00 am	Wed	25	Feria	10.00 am
Thu	29			Thu	26		
Fri	30			Fri	27		
Sat	31			Sat	28		
				Sun	29	Advent I	9.00 am 11.00 am
				Mon	30	St Andrew	7.00 pm

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