Sunday 25th October 2026
The Twenty Second Sunday of Trinity
Readings, Collect and Year's Mind

Opening Hymn NEH 238 New every morning is the love

Collect for the Twenty Second Sunday of Trinity
Lord God our redeemer,
who heard the cry of your people
and sent your servant Moses to lead them out of slavery,
free us from the tyranny of sin and death,
and by the leading of your Spirit bring us to our promised land;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

First Lesson 1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8

A reading from Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians, chapter 2, verses 1 to 8.

[1]You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, [2]but though we had already suffered and been shamefully maltreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. [3]For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, [4]but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts.

[5]As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; [6]nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, [7]though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. [8]So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Sun 9.00am Here endeth the Epistle.

Sun 10.45am This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading Matthew 22: 34-46

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew, chapter 22, verses 34 to 46.

Sun 9am Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Sun 10.45 Glory to Christ our Saviour.

34When the Pharisees heard that [Jesus] had silenced the Sadducees,
they gathered together, 35and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a
question to test him. 36'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the
greatest?' 37He said to him, ' "You shall love the Lord your God with all
your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." 38This is the
greatest and first commandment. 39And a second is like it: "You shall
love your neighbour as yourself." 40On these two commandments hang
all the law and the prophets.'

41Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them
this question: 42'What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?'
They said to him, 'The son of David.' 43He said to them, 'How is it then
that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,
44"The Lord said to my Lord,
'Sit at my right hand,
until I put your enemies under your feet' "?

45If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?' 46No one was able
to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any
more questions.

Sun 9am Thanks be to thee, O Lord, for this thy glorious Gospel.

Sun 10.45 Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.
Praise to Christ our Lord.

We offer particular prayers for
Queenette, Andy, Masami, Pat W, Marian, Roddy, Bill, Sheila K, Jenny, Joan M., Betty, Catherine, Catriona D, Delia, Jane T., Emma A., Joseph, Alison B., Johnny, Alice; Countries suffering war, violence or natural disaster; the people of Nepal, Tibet, Venezuela, Syria, Palestine, Israel, Lebanon, Iran and the Gulf States, Ukraine and Sudan.

We also include in our prayers those in our Year's Mind:
Robin Whike, Horace Primmer, Pat Dunbar, Nicholas Kemmer,
Betty McLaughlan.

Offertory Hymn	From the lips of tiny children	
Baptismal Blessing	The Lord bless you and keep you	Rutter
Anthem	A New Commandment	Nardone

Post Communion Prayer for the Twenty Second Sunday of Trinity
God our guide,
you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel.
May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Closing Hymn NEH 408 Love Divine, all loves excelling

Readings for the day
Leviticus 19: 1-2, 15-18; Psalm 1; *1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8; *Matthew 22: 34-46

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