

Advent Events (Advent Sunday is 27th November)

Advent Reflections (30 minutes) - Meditation on the Nativity each Wednesday evening, starting the 30th November 7pm. This will be followed by usual Mass at 7.30pm.

Friday 9th December—3.30pm—5pm—Christingle—is a special celebration designed for children to come together and hear the story of Christmas, sing and also to offer their hopes of the world.

Saturday 10th December -10am until 1pm—Christmas

Decoration event :Come at 10am to make you own Christmas wreath or table centre piece. All materials will be provided but please book with Mo C or Rhona!

We will also have Christmas Cards to deliver to every house in the parish after the 27th November. We will need everyone to help!



For our Prayers— John and Lucia, Patrick, John, Trish, Liz, Florence, Rev. Jane, Cleo, Chief John, Fred, Floret, Rueben, Bob and Marguerite, Lois, Paula, Alice and Ruth;
For those who have died recently including Matilda Dam. Viola Akers, Lionel Morrison and Barry **and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.**

Services during the week 20th November

Monday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Tuesday	8.30am Said Mass in Trinity Chapel
Wednesday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel 7pm Prayers for the Parish in Trinity Chapel 7.30pm Said Mass in Trinity Chapel
Thursday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Friday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel 10am My Moves 2.30pm Tea and Chat
Sunday 27th <i>Advent 1</i>	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel 9.30am Sung Mass with Sunday School

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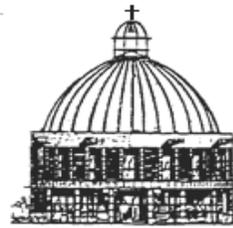
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St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

Confidently sharing the love of Christ

Sunday 20th November 2016

Christ the King

HYMNS TODAY - 96, 62, 453 , 14 (tune 1)

President: Fr Laurence **Preacher** Rev Maggie

during communion :Henri Dumont—Les Litanies de la Vierge—Pavane

Welcome to worship today—it is great to have you with us. We hope that you will feel welcome in our worship today. If you are new, please do say hello—we would love to get to know you. If you are unsure where to find something, or about what is going on, please do ask and we will be happy to help. Our worship style is quite formal- but we hope relaxed-as we come to worship God in our midst. Please do join us for coffee after the service.

The Feast of Christ the King marks the last Sunday of the Church year! It is the last Sunday before Advent, and brings to end the liturgical Kingdom season when we envision what God’s Kingdom is. It celebrates the all-embracing authority of Christ as King and Lord of the cosmos.

Our First Reading explores the theme of Leadership. Jeremiah 23 does not provide a definitive definition of leadership, despite the promises articulated in the later verses of this reading. It does, however, provide terms to describe failed leadership. The failed leaders are ones who have destroyed the community they were to lead.

1st Reading— Jeremiah 23: 1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. The days are surely

coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

Our Second reading

This opening passage from the letter to the Colossians seeks to reframe Christian experience within a wide-angle, cosmic divine perspective. The opening versions give a Christian slant to customary prayer for the divine within that community of the day.

2nd Reading— Colossians 1: 11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Our Gospel reading today is Luke 23: 33-43. *Christ the King* Sunday concludes the year of Luke with a final luminous testimony to how Jesus is God's way of ruling in this world & in the world to come. The Biblical titles of Jesus Son of God, Messiah, & King have been so absorbed as words for church and worship that their simple, earthly force is largely lost. Jesus' crucifixion, however, did not occur on an altar between two candles, but outside the city between two convicts on a dismal executioner's hill, called "The Skull." Luke shows how Jesus brought God's reign of justice & mercy to earth, & presents the crucified Messiah enacting God's reign, surrounded by mocking, brutal violence. It is what happens next however which is at the heart of the Gospel message. What can we learn from Luke's reflection and what does it say to our humanness?

Our Community Life Together and Dates for your Diary

Laurence's Larder and Food Bank

The Larder is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 10am-1.30pm. Volunteers are also to help with preparation between 10– 1pm on Wednesdays. We are still asked to bring in a can a week. We have also been asked to consider if we could choose one type of food. We have been asked if we might be the **'tinned fish'** church!

Advent Procession

Our next outing is to **St Paul's** Cathedral for the **Advent Procession at 6pm on Saturday 26th November**. We have booked 30 tickets but please ensure you have signed up to attend. Please meet Mother Christine at the Statue of Queen Charlotte, at the base of the steps of St Paul's at 5pm, when the doors will open.

Our Church Warden—Viola Akers

A huge thank you for all who assisted with Viola's Funeral on Monday, and for all who have prayed for Viola and her family. The family wish to express their gratitude to the congregation for the support they have received, and also for the home which Viola had here over many years.

Rev Maggie's farewell

It is a great joy to have Rev. Maggie with us today. She has been an important member of the community over the past 8 years and we are thankful for her ministry. In addition to our thanks today there are also public farewells for Maggie on Sunday 4th December from LIFC at 6pm and 11th December from the URC at 12noon to which we are invited. St Andrew's would like to know how many of us will be coming to lunch on the 11th, could you please add your name to the list if you are planning to come.

Festival of Non-Violence LIFC—from 11th to 20th, we will be holding an art exhibition and series of events and workshops. The final event of the Festival will take place **this afternoon from 2 – 4.30pm**, with an opportunity to learn about and participate in walking meditation, together with a chance to hear the stories of some of those now resting in Paddington Cemetery. Event ends with tea, cake and a space for sharing. Begins and ends at the London Inter Faith Centre. Jules Allen is an inveterate walker and meditator.