

### Annual 'Tea/Pimms with the Vicar' Garden afternoon

Save the date—Sunday 4th June from 2pm—5pm come and enjoy the Vicarage Garden and some tea & scones; or maybe even a glass of Pimms!

### LIFC Seminars

Beginning April 26th, on the theme of "Christians reading the scriptures of World Religions; How do we encounter The Other through sacred texts?". Time 2.00pm to 3.30pm. Each week, with a variety of presenters, we will introduce the scriptures of a different world religion.



**For our Prayers**— Estelle, Jeremy, Hildegard, John Q, Jessie T, Frances, Trish, Cleo, Fred, Floret, Bob and Marguerite, Lois, and Ruth **For those who have died recently** Hugh Berry and Gwynhwyfar Cole **and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time** Janet Harris, Edith Bowden, Barny Joel, Rufina Rivera and Joyce Wilson

#### Services during the week 2nd April 2017

<b>Monday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Said Mass in Trinity Chapel <b>6pm</b> Evening Prayer in Trinity Chapel
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel <b>7pm</b> Rosary is Said in Trinity Chapel <b>7.30pm</b> Said Mass in Trinity Chapel
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel <b>6pm</b> Evening Prayer in Trinity Chapel
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Said Mass in Trinity Chapel <b>10am</b> My Move <b>2.30pm</b> Tea and Chat <b>6pm</b> Evening Prayer in Trinity Chapel
<b>Sunday 9th</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
<b>Palm Sunday</b>	<b>9.30am</b> Sung Mass with Sunday School

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# St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

*Confidently sharing the love of Christ*

**Sunday 23rd April 2017**

### Second Sunday of Easter

**HYMNS TODAY** - 349, 61, 36, 87 (tune 1) and 463

**President** Fr Laurence **Preacher** Fr Laurence

*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.*



**Our first reading** presents us with a portion of Peter's first public sermon, preached on the Day of Pentecost in Jerusalem. The Holy Spirit has come upon the disciples with power, just as Jesus promised (Acts 1:8) but it amazes and perplexes everyone Peter addresses the crowd to dispel these rumours and interprets what is happening in light of the promises of Scripture  
**1st Reading— Acts 2: 14a, 22-32**

*But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. 'You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, "I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One*

*experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.” ‘Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, “He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.” This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.*

### **Our Second reading**

First Peter reflects the rapid expansion of the early church in Asia Minor. The writer explores issues of community, mission, and suffering -- issues these young faith communities may have been facing. Over the next 4 weeks we will explore much of this.

### **2nd Reading— 1 Peter 1: 3-9**

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.*

**Our Gospel reading today** is John 20: 19-end. John 20 tells us that Jesus appeared to some of his most important disciples “on the first day of the week.” First of all, to Mary Magdalene (20:11-18).

Commissioning her as the Apostle to the Apostles, he commands her to proclaim the resurrection, which she does! Today we then hear of Thomas encounter with the resurrection—did he not hear Mary—did he not hear the proclamation of the others? Thomas wants hard evidence, unquestionable eyewitness fact that Jesus is risen. I can't blame him. You know why? Two reasons: First, he's asking to see at least what all the other disciples already saw. Second, who doesn't love a solid sign in a moment of crisis and vulnerability? In Thomas, we see the pattern of Christian discipleship established from the beginning of John 1. One person encounters Jesus. Then they share their experience with the next person, who may express some

reluctance. Then that person experiences Jesus on their own, directly, and becomes convinced about him and then shares the news about Jesus with the next person. What then will we do with our encounter of the resurrected Jesus? Who will we tell?

## **Our Community Life Together and Dates for your Diary**

*Mo C is on Annual leave from the 17th –27th April.*

### **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 and Asylum Seekers between 10– 1pm on Wednesdays. We are still asked to bring in a can a week—and while everything is welcome we particularly need **'tinned fish'**.

### **Holy Week and Easter**

Thank you to all who have assisted during Holy Week in our preparations and services.

**Flowers for Easter** A huge thank you to Sue and Liz for arranging our flowers; and for Queens Park Flower Stall (beside the station) for their assistance also. Thank you for all who contributed to our flowers for Easter which were donated in memory of Paul Daisley, Eric and Heather; and Women of the World. Also in thanks for care given and in thanksgiving for family and friends, past and present. Flowers also donated in thanksgiving for the life of this parish, the gift of life and God's promise.

### **Archdeacons Triennial Visitation**

Every three years the Archdeacon makes a visit to every parish under their oversight to ensure that the clergy and the PCC are fulfilling their obligations in the care of the parish. Archdeacon Duncan will be with us on Tuesday 2nd May. He will meet with Mo C at 7.00pm ; the Churchwardens (to go through documentation) at 7.30pm and then the PCC at 8.30pm for discussion and feedback. Please pray for our parish as we prepare for this visit.

### **Church Wardens Swearing in and Visitation**

The Archdeacon also visits every Deanery once a year to 'swear in' the churchwardens and hear about the life of the deanery. This is a public service and will take place on Tuesday 9th May from 7.30pm at All Souls Harlesden. You are all welcome to attend.