

St Anne's Day Celebrations –16th July 2017

A huge thank you for all who contributed to our celebrations last Sunday—it was a lovely day with a great buzz during and after the service. We have a great deal to be thankful for as we come to the end of the academic year. Please continue to pray for our parish.

Wedding of Benelia and Stefano

Will take place on Saturday 5th August. Mo C needs a helper (or 2) to be able to welcome our guests. If you think you might be able to help please speak to Mo C.



For our Prayers— For all affected by acts of Terror; for peace, for the future of our Nation, for who died and all who are living with the effects of the Grenfell Tower disaster. Alice, Karan, Rina, Yaa, Estelle, Jeremy, John Q, Floret, Trish, Cleo, Bob and Marguerite, Lois, and Ruth **For those who have died recently and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time** Earl Henderson, David O'Hagan, Emily Skears, Ivy Catlin and Arthur Templer.

Services during the week 23rd July 2017

Monday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Tuesday	8.30am Said Mass in Trinity Chapel 6pm Evening Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Wednesday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel 7pm Silent Prayer in Trinity Chapel 7.30pm Said Mass in Trinity Chapel
Thursday	8.30am Said Mass in Trinity Chapel 6pm Evening Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Friday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel 10am My Move Toddler Drop In
Sunday 30th	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel 9.30am Sung Mass

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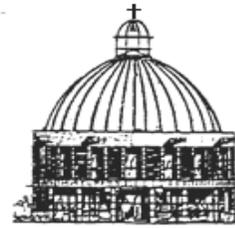
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St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury



Sunday 23rd July 2017

6th after Trinity

HYMNS TODAY - 181, 43, 75 and 505

President Mo Christine **Preacher** Mo Christine

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. Large Print Service books available.

Our first reading.—After we heard last week that Jacob seeks Esau's birth right—this week Jacob runs from Esau's murderous rage. Jacob is vulnerable, traveling alone, sleeping under the stars. He is traveling far, retracing the steps of his grandfather Abraham, back to the land of Haran, in Mesopotamia. As he travels he encounters God's promise.

1st Reading— Genesis 28: 10-19a

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went towards Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, 'I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.' Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely

the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!’ And he was afraid, and said, ‘How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.’

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel; but the name of the city was Luz at the first.

Our Second reading

Throughout Romans 8 we learn that the Spirit grafts us into the story of Jesus. As our lives bear the marks of Jesus’ life, we grow in hope that we, too, are God’s beloved daughters and sons -- those with whom God is well pleased, and upon whom God will bestow God’s glorious, eternal inheritance.

2nd Reading— Romans 8: 12-25

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Our Gospel reading today is Matthew 13: 24 -30, 36-43. The parable of weeds is the second parable in Jesus’ third teaching unit in the Gospel of Matthew. As with the parable before and those that follow, Jesus employs this genre to teach his followers about the kingdom (basilea) of heaven. The kingdom of God is, in fact, the main focus of Jesus’ teaching. In this gospel, the kingdom of heaven delineates differences between the realm of God’s kingdom and the kingdom of

Roman emperor. As the people in the first century Mediterranean would have experienced it, the emperor’s kingdom is on earth. The kingdom of heaven is where God reigns. The act of Jesus coming into the earth represents the in breaking of the God’s kingdom on the earth. It is important to recognize that actions have consequences. If one sows hatred and discord that is what one will reap.

Our Community Life Together and Dates for your Diary

Finance—St Anne’s

Our current monthly target for congregational giving is **£2180**. At present our average congregational giving almost hits this target. With gift aide—in June we did do this. *A huge thank you to all who have revised their giving already!!*

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’**.

Anglicans in Brent

Meet this coming Wednesday 26th July at St Martin’s Kensal Rise starting at 7.30pm. All are welcome. Poster downstairs.

Christian Aid

Thanks too for your contributions to Christian Aid Month which have now been counted, We raised £240.

WW1 History Project

A reminder that we need to complete our research in the next few months. We still have a few spare names if you would like to help!

Summer at St Anne’s

Over the Summer break we are aware that many of you will be travelling. We pray for your safety and rest. Please do send postcards from the churches you visit on a Sunday! This period also means some weeks the rota is very thin—if you think you can help, please let Mo C know.

Queens Park Day—Advance notice and collections

Queens Park Day will take place on Sunday 17th September, just after we return from the Summer break. Please start collecting items we can sell especially Paperback books, good quality clothes and toys.

St Paul’s Events

Adult Learning brochure is now out and available in the foyer.