

St Paul's Cathedral Forums

St Paul's new booklet of Adult Learning events has arrived and is available. There are some great events coming up. There is poster and flyers available in the Rotunda. The first of these events is on Tuesday 6th September from 6:30pm—8pm— Accidental Saints: Finding God in all the Wrong People presented by Nadia Bolz-Weber and Richard Coles. Tickets are free but need to be booked online.

National Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St Edward the Confessor

Will take place on Saturday 15th October. We are invited to walk to Westminster and participate in the Festival Eucharist at 11:30. Further details will follow, but day includes opportunities for foot washing on arrival as well as lecturers. Make sure the date is in your diary. I think we will need to leave at about 8.30am.



For our Prayers— Peter, Trish, Viola, Liz and Lionel, Jean, Jane, Cleo, John, Rueben, Bob and Marguerite, Lois, Paula, Alice and Ruth; **For those who have died recently and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time**— Charles Cory.

Services during the week 24th September 2016

Monday 8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Tuesday 8.30am Said Mass in Trinity Chapel
Wednesday 8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
No evening service due installation at St Mary's Willesden at 8pm to which we are invited.
Thursday 8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Friday 8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
10am My Moves
Sunday 11th 8.30am Morning Prayer
September 9.30am Sung Eucharist

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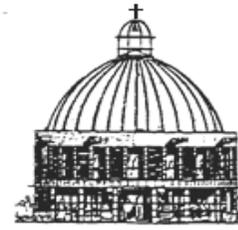
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St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

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Sunday 4th September 2016

15th after Trinity

HYMNS TODAY -27, 24, 91, 334 (Tune 1) and 599

President: Mo Christine **Preacher** Mo Christine

5pm—First @ 5 in chapel

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.

Today we continue to hear from the prophet Jeremiah. In this week's passage, God invites Jeremiah to enter a potter's shed and there observe the potter working with clay, so that Jeremiah may better hear God's words (Jeremiah 18:1), understand God's way with Israel (18:6), and summon God's people to conversion (18:11).

1st Reading— Jeremiah 18: 1-11

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: 'Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words.' So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

Then the word of the Lord came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the

disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

Our Second reading come from Paul's letter to Philemon which is only 21 short verses. While Paul is addressing Philemon, he expects this letter to be heard by the whole community.

2nd Reading— Philemon 1-21

Let Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I

say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Our Gospel reading today is Luke 14: 25-33. After the meal in the Pharisee's home, this week Jesus is now on the road, and traveling with large crowds. More than this, there is also a shift of topic. If many are thronging Jesus coming along on his journey and following, the focus should rightly be on discipleship. Jesus is heading towards the cross and he continues to prepare his followers for this. As a result disciples need to be single-minded and focused in their journey. We too are called to evaluate our discipleship.

Our Community Life Together and Dates for your Diary

Welcome back to all who have been on holidays!!

Finance—St Anne's

Our current monthly target for congregational giving is **£2180**. If you use envelopes, or would like envelopes they are currently available for collection.

Laurence's Larder and Soup Kitchen

With a big thank you for all the time, energy and support you have given to Saint Laurence's Larder and Open Kitchen - Without your donations we certainly couldn't have been able to feed over 3000 people in just 10 months!!! The Larder will close for refurbishment from after food service on Thursday 25th September. It will re-open on Thursday 8th September. From this date its opening hours will be 10am-1.30pm as they are finding that people are arriving earlier. 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—for example one church is bringing only long-life milk. We have been asked if we might be the 'tinned fish' church!

Queens Park Day will be on **Sunday 18th September 2016**. The next drop-off day for books, toys and good quality women's clothes is Sunday 4th September between 12noon and 2pm. There is also a sign-up sheet to volunteer to help with Queens Park Day. It would be fantastic to have as many people involved as possible!

This week new carpet was fitted to the church . Thank you to all who helped in moving furniture. I hope you enjoy the benefits of this summers works.