

Vicar's Christmas Drinks – 15th December from 7.30pm.

Christmas Card Distribution

During the first week of December we will have 5000 Christmas Cards we need to distribute to households across the parish. You can collect next Sunday. We need lots of helps please!

News from Helen Brown -Helen is currently in Japan on an artist in residence program. She sends her greetings and you can view her progress at www.helenbrownartist.com

LIFC News

A successful 6th Form event on Tuesday—it was a fantastic morning!
Monday November 27, 2017 @ 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm—“They’ll Be Banning Christmas Next!” Myths and realities of Christmas in an Interfaith Context; A talk given by Patrick Morrow



For our Prayers— Margot, Rev. Jane , Gale, Yaa, Estelle, John Q, Floret, Trish, Cleo, Bob, Marguerite and Ruth
For those who have died recently Lois Romain **and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time** including Grace Burrell and Hubert Smith

Services during the week 26th November 2017

Monday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Tuesday	8.30am Said Mass in Trinity Chapel 6pm No Evening Prayer today
Wednesday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel 7pm Silent Prayer in Trinity Chapel 7.30pm Said Mass in Trinity Chapel
Thursday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel 6pm Evening Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Friday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Saturday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Sunday 3rd	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel 9.30am Sung Mass

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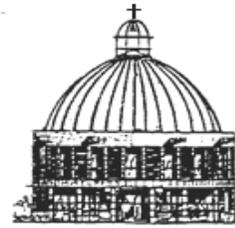
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St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

Confidently sharing the love of Christ

Sunday 26th November 2017

Christ the King

HYMNS TODAY - 33, 507, 150, 91 and 353

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.

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.— Now God begins to restore. Now God offers hope. The first 32 chapters of Ezekiel have been dominated by words of judgment, primarily against Judah, but against the nations as well in 25-32. Chapter 33 begins the transition to oracles of hope—and then in this passage God promises to act as a Shepherd.

1st Reading— Ezekiel 34:11-16,20-24

For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will

make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

Our Second reading : This passage is often referred to as Paul's prayer. Ephesians expresses hope for a maturing faith that comes to grasp Christ's place in the universe and the church's participation in his sovereignty.

2nd Reading— Ephesians 1: 15-end

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Our Gospel reading today is Matthew 25: 31-end is the apocalyptic vision of God separating the sheep and the goats. This is a difficult part of the bible. In the this parable the ones being judged are not Jewish Christians specifically, but "the nations." This is a traditional term for the gentiles. The question that Matthew's Jesus handles in this vision is not about the ethics of the church or even Jesus' disciples, but the response to the least of these on the part of the nations, the gentiles. What concerns this judgment is not the ethics of the faithful, but the judgment of the gentiles: those who would either respond positively or negatively to the "little ones," the "least of these"

that make up Christ's community. How are we aware of, and able to respond to the most vulnerable?

Our Community Life Together and Dates for your Diary

Today Fr Laurence is leading worship at St Gabriel's in Cricklewood.

Lois Romain

Long term member of our congregation Lois Romain past away peaceful last Sunday evening. Please pray for her family at this sad time for them.

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 October 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 between 10– 1pm on Wednesdays. We are still asked to bring in a can a week. While all non-perishable goods are welcome, we have agreed to focus as a church on providing **'tinned fish'**



Advent Procession

Our next outing is to **St Paul's Cathedral** is for the **Advent Procession** on **Saturday 2nd** December. We have booked 30 tickets but I will need to confirm numbers with the cathedral by the 15th November, so please check your diary now so you can sign up. We need to be in the cathedral at 5pm on the 2nd. Please sign up! We have also been invited to be part of the procession. If you would like to do this, please let me know as soon as possible.

Advent Activities starting 3rd December

Advent Resources are available at the back of church.

Christmas Wreath Making

On Saturday 9th December we will be hosting a wreath and table centre making workshop. We will provide all the materials and you will be asked the pay for your wreath before you take it home. We start at 10am. Please sign up on the sheet downstairs

My Move Christmas Party

Friday 15th December from 10am—12noon in the Rotunda.

Tea and Chat Christmas Party

Friday 15th December from 2.30-4.30pm in the Rotunda.