

journey. Lent activities will include:
40bags in 40 days—declutter parts of our life during the 40 days

Rosary Prayers —7pm Wednesdays from 21st, before Mass

Lent Retreat—Saturday 3rd March from 9.30— 3.30pm here. There will be focused meditation and reflection as well as much silence. A simple lunch will be provided. Please sign up in church. Cost £5

Stations of the Cross—Sunday 18th February and 25th March at 5 pm in the chapel



For our Prayers— Roger, Stephen Ofelia, Yaa, John Q, Floret, Trish, Cleo, Marguerite and Ruth **For those who have died recently** including John Gordon, Bob Lewis, Renel Smith **and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time** including William Brown, Edward Garner, Terry Leathers and Roger Beane.

Services during the week 11 February 2017

Monday 8.30am Said Mass in Trinity Chapel
Tuesday 8.30am Said Mass in Trinity Chapel
6pm Evening Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Wednesday 8.30am Mass with imposition of Ashes
7.30pm Sung Mass with imposition of Ashes
Thursday 8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
6pm Evening Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Friday 8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
10am **No My Move on the 16th**
2.30pm Tea and Chat
Saturday **No Morning prayer on 17th**
Sunday 18 8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Lent 1 9.30am Sung Mass with Sunday School
5pm Stations of the Cross

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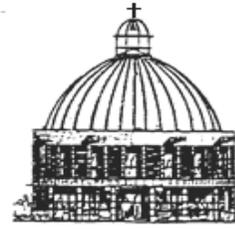
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St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

Confidently sharing the love of Christ

Sunday 11th February 2018

Last before Lent

HYMNS TODAY - 66, 507, 36, 463 and 798

President Fr Laurence **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 from the second book of Kings begins with one of the most dramatic openings in the scriptures; casually mentioning that God's plan to sweep Elijah away to heaven in a whirlwind was already afoot.

1st Reading— 2 Kings 2: 1-12

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?' And he said, 'Yes, I know; keep silent.' Elijah said to him, 'Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?' And he answered, 'Yes, I know; be silent.' Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the

Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

Our Second reading : Today's reading, 2 Corinthians 4:3-6, gives us profound insight into how we are transfigured by a double manifestation -- of the Messiah's glory as the image of God and of God's glory in the face of Jesus the Messiah.

2nd Reading— 2 Corinthians 4: 3-6

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Our Gospel reading today is Mark 9: 2-9; Mark's account of the transfiguration. Epiphany began a few weeks ago with a story about a manifestation of Jesus' identity, but it was a much more covert incident: Jesus' baptism. In Mark's account of the baptism, it's not clear that anyone else sees the heavens slashed apart or the Holy Spirit diving into Jesus. The voice from heaven is Jesus' alone to hear. Nothing's public. Nothing's obvious. Similarly, most of the epiphanies we get to experience in life consist of glimpses, and sometimes we aren't even sure that they are really ours to see. The Transfiguration is a very different kind of a revealing, however. Jesus becomes a beacon, like a lighthouse planted in the middle of the desert. The heavenly voice addresses all the witnesses: Peter, James, and John. On this Sunday, there is a promise that Jesus can and will be noticed. Epiphanies aren't always subtle. How do we notice who Jesus is? What signs or epiphanies do we have about God working with us and through us?

Our Community Life Together /Dates for your Diary

Finance—St Anne's

Our current monthly target for congregational giving is **£2180**. At present our average congregational giving is £2150 —this means we a little short each month. If you are new to St Anne's, or have not previously thought about it, please consider setting up a Standing Order to manage your giving. Forms and information are available in the entrance, or you can speak with Michael .

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! Having said this any non perishable; easily edible food would be very welcome at this point!

A huge Thank you to Bob who has been doing a lot of work at the Larder while Stephen Chamberlain has been unwell.

We are also in need of a couple of replacement drivers for Monday pick of items from Bakery on Kilburn High Road. We have a rota and it takes about 30mins at around 7pm to collect left over bread etc and deliver to Christ Church.

Ambassadors for Christ

We are looking forward to hearing more stories this year in the 2 minute slot. Once again we are looking for people to share some of their experiences outside of Sunday morning. We invite you to reflect on how you spend your week, and how this informs your faith. We are looking for volunteers to share during the coming month.

News from LIFC

Food and Festivals in Religious Traditions: Lent and Fasting at London Inter Faith Centre Feb 21 @ 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm.

An Evening with Rumi in Words and Music, presented by Esbe Esbe and Kiril Boshkiyov. Feb 27 @ 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

Ash Wednesday and Lent

Ash Wednesday this year is the 14th February. On that day there will be a Said Mass at 8.30am, then a Sung Mass at 7.30pm. Ash Wednesday is a 'Holy Day of Obligation' - that means it is a day we should come to church and pray together! If you can't make a service here, look at what time services are on near where you work. There will be resources available from next Sunday to support our Lenten