

Installation of the New Bishop of London

The Rt Revd Sarah Mullally DBE, was installed as the 133rd Bishop of London at St Paul's Cathedral yesterday. Please pray for Bishop Sarah and also for the Diocese as we enter this new phase of ministry within London. There will be opportunities in the coming months to meet Bishop Sarah.

LIFC—Seminars “Identity and Meaning in the Modern World” on Wednesday's at 2.00pm, exploring the interface between the secular and religious world.

Open Studios and Gardens

On Sunday 17th June St Anne's will once again be a venue for Open Studios. Save the date!

For our Prayers— Eve, Gija, John and Lucia, Roger, Stephen, Gale, Yaa, Floret, John Q, Trish, Cleo, Marguerite and Ruth **For those who have died recently and those whose anniversary of death falls**

at this time Priscilla Morton, Pearline Laurencin, Jermaine Morris, Walter Clark and Eweton Hawkes



Services during the week 13th May 2018

Monday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Tuesday	8.30am No Services today—sorry
Wednesday	8.30am No morning prayer today 7.30pm Said Mass in Trinity Chapel
Thursday	8.30am Said Mass Trinity Chapel 6pm Evening Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Friday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel 10am Mo Move 2.30pm Tea and Chat
Saturday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Sunday 20th	9.30am Said Mass in Trinity Chapel
Pentecost	10.30am Joint Service followed by brunch

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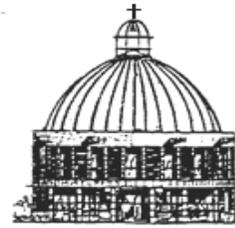
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St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

Confidently sharing the love of Christ

Sunday 13th May 2018

Ascension Sunday

HYMNS TODAY - 623, 498, 453, 62 and 751

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 refreshments after the service.

Our first reading.

Our first reading today is read at the start of our service and is the account of the Ascension of Jesus. It places our service in context.

1st Reading— Acts of the Apostles (1.1-11)

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by

At the end the reader says his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up,

and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Our Second reading

This week we hear from the letter to the Ephesians. Ephesians 1:15-23 are one long sentence in Greek. The subject of the sentence shifts seamlessly from thanksgiving for the faith of the Ephesian church to a prayer for their continued enlightenment (v. 16) to a confession of the authority and power God has given to Christ (vv. 19-23).

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 Our Gospel reading today is Luke 24: 44 – end and is Luke's version of Jesus Ascension into heaven. Luke's account is more subtle than some of the others. Jesus' disciples must have felt the earth slipping beneath their feet at the thought of being left alone. Our Gospel reading may be divided into three movements, each with a distinctive theme. **The past:** The necessity of these things (vv. 44-47); **The promise:** The call to be witnesses (vv. 48-49) and **"While You Wait":** The call in the meantime (vv. 50-53)

They might well be themes for us as well. Luke concludes his gospel with Jesus giving guidance to how his followers are to live: worshipping God, waiting on Jesus' promises, and doing so "with great joy". The challenge of this Feast day is for us to do the same.

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 are a little short each month. Please consider setting up a Standing Order to manage your giving. **We raised £250 for the Bishop's Lent Appeal for Homelessness.**

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!

20th Anniversary of St Anne's and St Andrew's— Our building is 20years Old this year. On the Feast of Pentecost **Sunday 20th May at 10.30am** we will share in worship with St Andrew's to celebrate this 20 years and share in lunch celebration afterwards; we will need a mixture of savoury and sweet dishes. We will ensure there are things to drink, and that we have bread and fruit.

Consent to receive publicity

As many of you will be aware The new General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) will take effect in the UK from 25 May 2018. It replaces the existing law on data protection (the Data Protection Act 1998) and gives individuals more rights and protection regarding how their personal data is used by organisations. One of the implications of the new legislation is that we all now have the right to 'opt-in' rather than 'opt out' of things like mailing lists. Please complete a consent form.

GARDEN CLEAN UP—Saturday 19th May from 10am—please do come and help us be ready for the Summer and celebrations!

Thy Kingdom Come

Is a Global time of prayer led by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York to pray in the 10 days between Ascension and Pentecost. This year there are lots of resources available to help us prayer during this period. There are links to these on the parish website. We are invited to intentionally focus our prayers during this time. Novena booklets are available for those who would like them. **There is a Brent Borough Deans Pentecost Celebration on Friday 18th May** from 7.30pm at Park Lane Methodist Church.