

Making Poppies

In preparation for our '31 lives—commemorating at an end to the war to end all wars' in October we are looking to make a large number of of knitted, crocheted and paper poppies. Patterns can be provided to make at home, or you can join our first 'work party' on Saturday 8th Sept from 10am—11.30am. Cake will be provided! Other sessions to follow.

LIFC News - New Course starting "Representing the Sacred; Art and Iconography in Religious Traditions", commencing Wednesday 26th September, 2018, at 2.00pm. The speakers will all be representatives of their own particular tradition and will present from

their perspective how the Sacred has been and is portrayed in art and /or iconography in that tradition.

For our Prayers— Jean, Peter, Josephine, John and Lucia, Stephen, John Q, Cleo, Marguerite and Ruth **recently including Trish and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time** Charles Cory.



Services during the week 2nd September 2018

Monday	No Services
Tuesday	8.30am Said Mass in Trinity Chapel 6pm Evening Prayer in Trinity Chapel
Wednesday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel 7.00pm Quiet 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 10am My Move Play group 2.30pm Tea and Chat
Sunday 9th	8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
15th Trinity	9.30am Sung Mass

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Sunday 2nd Septemberr 2018

14th of Trinity

HYMNS TODAY - 195 , 506, 152 , 690 and 680

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 refreshments after the service.

The book of Deuteronomy invites its readers to hear Moses addressing them directly as if they are participants in the first crossing into the land. Yet at the same time the book reveals, intentionally or through sloppy editing, foreknowledge of events that happen after the entry into the land. Why written as though Moses is the author, he will actual die before the end of the book.

1st Reading— Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God with which I am charging you. You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!' For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let

them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children—

Our Second Reading today begins a series of readings from the letter of James. Today's verses include the point that the epistle is best known for: "[B]e doers of the word, and not merely hearers," just as next week we will read James reminding us that "faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead."

2nd Reading— James 1: 17-end

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Our Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel reading Mark 7: 1-8, 14,15,21-23. In the Gospels, it seems that Jesus saves his sharpest words, his most pointed criticism, for the most religious. It is not the tax collectors and other notorious sinners who are reproached by Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes, the experts in God's law, the high achievers in religious piety. In the text before us, Jesus calls them hypocrites and says that they abandon the commandment of God for the sake of human tradition. This is actually a misconception that the Pharisees and scribes thought they were earning salvation by their obedience to the law. In fact, they understood that God's choosing and calling of Israel was a gift. They also understood that God gave them the law as a gift, to order their lives as God's people. Their observance of the law was meant to be a witness to the nations around them, to give glory to

God. Jesus challenge is they (we) have lost the whole point of faithfulness. Jesus tells us to beware when piety gets in the way of fulfilling the heart of the law: loving God with all your heart, mind, soul, and strength, and loving your neighbour as yourself. He warns us to beware when our piety separates us from others, for then it is also separating us from God.

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 we are hitting our target—THANK YOU!!!

Website

Our website is currently having a face lift—all the information should still be able to be accessed, though you may need to look in a slightly different place for it. It will make it accessible on mobile devices. We changed platforms on Thursday 30th when there may be a 'slight' disruption to regular service!

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 our focus is tuna, at this stage all food is welcome!

WWI Project

There will be a fuller presentation and display of research material in November. In the mean time, Steve has created an excellent Blog containing the stories which you can view at—www.31lives.com

New St Paul's Autumn and Winter Program

have arrived and are available in the lobby. The First event which may be of interest—**Buying God: Consumerism and Theology** presented by Eve Poole Sunday 2 September, 1.00 - 2.00pm, Free event.

Trish Harris

A huge thank you to all who assisted with Tricia's funeral and celebration of life last Tuesday. We have received a number of lovely messages from visitors commenting on how special it was.

Queens Park Day—Planning and collections

Queens Park Day will take place on Sunday 16th September, Please start collecting items we can sell especially Paperback books, good quality clothes and toys. We also need lots of helps on the day—some of regulars will be away this year—so if you can help—please talk to Mo C asap!

Moving Furniture—We need to return all furniture after the summer works after the service today—please do help if you can.