

Mission Priorities. Last year these were Laurence's Larder, Salusbury World and St Mungo's. In addition, My Move through its giving was able to provide Shopping vouchers to the value of £500 to local families— thank you to Henri and the My Move team.

### **New St Paul's Adult Education Programs!**

The Spring Program from St Pauls has arrived and is available in the lobby. We are planning to take group to hear Rowan Williams on ' Jesus Christ the Unanswered Questions' on **Wednesday 27th March**, a sign up sheet will be available soon

### **St Anne's PCC**

The PCC will met last Thursday we discussed preparation for our Annual meeting, including the review of our Electoral Roll. We planned for Fr Laurence's retirement, as well as for events in 2019.



**For our Prayers**— Peter, Clara, DJ, Alvin, Richard, Gale, Lois, Josephine, John , Stephen, John Q, Cleo, Marguerite and Ruth **For those who have died recently** including Harold Hamilton **and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time** including Geoffrey Walter and Bill Webb.

### **Services during the week 20th January 2019**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Said Mass in Trinity Chapel <b>6pm</b> Evening Prayer in Trinity Chapel
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel <b>7.30pm</b> Said Mass in Trinity Chapel
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel <b>10am</b> My Move <b>2.30pm</b> Tea and Chat
<b>Sunday 27</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel <b>9.30am</b> Sung Mass with Sunday School

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# St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

*Confidently sharing the love of Christ*

**Sunday 20th January 2019**

**Third Sunday of Epiphany**

**HYMNS TODAY** 541, 652 , 579 and 238

**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.*

**During Epiphany Season (till 3rd February)** we still sit before the crib as we meditate how God was made manifest to humanity through Jesus. We look for signs of God manifest to us now and how we might share God's light in all the world.

**Our First reading today from the Prophet Isaiah.** After the wonder of Christmas with the birth of the Saviour, the hope of the new year, the inclusion of the nations in Epiphany, and the assurance of God's activity in Jesus' baptism, Isaiah gives us lamentation. Isaiah's lamentation fits with the complications of life. After the joy of Christmas we notice that life hasn't changed. The situation in the passage grew out of the frustration between promise and reality.

**1st Reading— Isaiah 62: 1-5**

*For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed*

*Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.*

**Our second reading today** is from the first letter to the Corinthians. The Corinthian church was a vibrant community where members received varieties of gifts from the Spirit. But at the same time, the church did not have a clear understanding about, spiritual gifts. Many of them were in rivalry with other members. Some claimed that they were better than others because of their special spiritual gifts. This is the context in which Paul responds as he writes in today's passage.

### **2nd Reading— 1 Corinthians 12: 1-11**

*Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.*

### **Our Gospel Reading**

**In** today's Gospel reading John 2: 1-11. Here is recorded what is often seen as Jesus first miracle—the turning of water into wine at the wedding in Cana. The Wedding at Cana is unique to the Fourth Gospel and is the first of Jesus' seven signs in the narrative. Over these last Sunday's Jesus is presented with gifts, then baptised and now another sign as Jesus ministry begins. What do they reveal about who Jesus is and what Jesus will do? We should remember that the miracles Jesus performs in the Fourth Gospel are never called miracles but signs. This act is revealing more about who Jesus is and will become. Revelation for revelation's sake is really not the point. What deeper reality is Jesus revealing? What are we supposed to see about Jesus?

## **Community Life Together and Dates for your Diary**

### **Finance—St Anne's**

Our current monthly target for congregational giving is **£2180**. At present we are hitting our target 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 or a member of the PCC.

### **Laurence's Larder and Food Bank**

The Larder is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 10am-1.30pm. We are still asked to bring in a can a week; while our focus is tuna, at this stage all food is welcome! There is also a need at present for good quality, warm men's clothing.

**Gambia February 2019—from Steve Haggard—** Our link with a rural community in The Gambia has seen various St Anne's people head out to the village of Mbollet Ba over the years. Visitors view life from the perspective of sub-Saharan farmers. In 2019 Liz and David Till's daughter Sarah will be going in January. Coming up there's an organised visit from Feb 15 to 25th, with themes around food and education. Steve and Janina are on that, and all St Anne's folk are welcome to join. Anyone interested should ask Steve for details. It's an experience that changes who we are and how we feel about many things. There are also potential bursaries available.

**LIFC news –** As part of its work with Brent Multi Faith Forum, the LIFC (supported by St Anne's) will be hosting a conversation group for women in starting in January for 12 weeks. The purpose of Creative Conversations is to help local women to increase their skills and confidence to share their story in a creative way. community-building projects can be developed. This is a Near Neighbours Project.

**Also,** on Wednesday January 30th at 2.00pm we will be starting a new series of seminars exploring "Religious Questions of the 21st Century".

### **Ambassadors for Christ—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, please speak to Mo C!

**Sharing in our Mission—**Each year the PCC invites us to commit to