



# St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

*Confidently sharing the love of Christ*

## **Readings and Notice Sheet**

### **2nd Sunday after Trinity**

### **21st June 2020**

**We meet in the name of God who is (+) Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you**

#### ***The Collect***

Faithful Creator,  
whose mercy never fails:  
deepen our faithfulness to you  
and to your living Word,  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### ***Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures***

*Our first reading today is from the prophet Jeremiah. Jeremiah's ministry extended for some forty years (about 625-585 BC). At the mid-point of his ministry, the Babylonian empire under Nebuchadnezzar began expanding in the Middle East and Israel's existence was threatened. Jeremiah warned Israel about this threat, believing that he had received such warning words from God. But the people denounced him (see 20:10). Jeremiah feels caught in the middle, squeezed between a God who has insisted that he preach this difficult word of warning and a people who refuse to believe him. He is stuck between an insistent God and a resistant people. This situation occasions for the prophet a vocational crisis.*

#### **Jeremiah 20:7-13**

O Lord, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughing-stock all day long; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, 'Violence and destruction!' For the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, 'I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name', then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. For I hear many whispering: 'Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!' All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. 'Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him.' But the Lord is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonour will never be forgotten. O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## **Our Second reading**

*This week we continue our readings from the letter to the Romans. Romans is a Pauline manual for Christians who wrestle with the human condition being vulnerable to the pressures of this world. Romans 6:1b-11 is about the purpose, function, and goal of the sacrament of baptism, in relation to all human beings who are held under the reign of death.*

### **Romans 6: 1b-11**

What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

***The Gospel reading is Matthew 10: 24-39.** Matthew continues the theme of disciples imitating their master. This time the parallel appears not just in what they will say and do, but in what they will experience in the mission field: rejection, suffering, and for some even death. This passage introduces a second stage of the mission instructions for the twelve which began in Matthew 10:1-23. Matthew in this passage is clear to point out the severe conditions the apostles will experience, though coupled with reasons for hope (10:16-23). Our passage focuses on the commitment of the apostles themselves. We too are invited to hold onto this same level of commitment and to be realistic about our call to be disciples.*

### **Matthew 10: 24-39**

‘A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! ‘So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

‘Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

‘Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

This is the Gospel of our Lord  
**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

**After you have read today’s readings you may like to spend some time discussing with those whom you live. If like me you are living alone, you may want to ‘phone a friend’ and talk them over! There is also a Homily available on the website, and most services on public media will be following the same texts.**

### **Intercessions**

We come with our prayers for all the world, for our community and for those who are on our hearts at this time..

Holy God, you call us to have faith;  
Faith that gives us strength to share the message of your love.  
We pray for your Church, that it might hope in your love  
and share your healing throughout the world.  
We prayer especially for Bishop’s Sarah and Pete  
and all who offer leadership in these challenging times

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer**

God, who pours love into our hearts,  
who challenges us to see justice and grace.  
We pray for the world, created by your love,  
for its nations and governments especially those struggling with injustice and  
conflict; and all who are working to overcome the Pandemic.  
We remember all who face discrimination and exclusion each day,  
may we truly see each other as made in your image.

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer**

God who sends us out into the world to share your love and mercy.  
We pray for families and individuals, created in your image,  
for the lonely, the bereaved, the sick and the dying.  
We pray for our schools and nurseries,  
for all who are returning to work and for our care for one another.  
Breathe on all the breath of life and bring them your mercy and grace.

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer**

Holy God who sent out the apostles to heal the sick,  
that your kingdom might be near. We pray for ourselves, for your Church, for all  
whom we remember before you Helen, Yvonne, Juliette, Ray, Pam, Alvrina, Neiletta,  
Yinka, Kyron, Rute, Patience, Ron, Evelyn, Linda, Richard, Josephine, John, Cecilia  
and Ruth. We pray for all who are in need of your love and grace.  
Breathe on them the breath of life and bring us before you.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer**

God of Heaven and Earth. We give thanks for your eternal promise as we pray for all  
who have died including , Marguerite Lewis and those whose anniversaries fall at this  
time including Fred Coleman and Richard Costello. Bring us all to the promise of your  
eternal love and peace.

Rest Eternal Grant unto them O Lord

**And let light perpetual shine upon them**

May they rest in peace

**And rise in glory**

Creator and Redeemer, in this time of stillness we bring our own prayers before  
you...

Merciful God,

**accept these prayers**

**for the sake of your Son,**

**our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### **Post Communion Prayer**

While there is no Eucharist at present, the post communion prayer sums up many of  
the themes in the readings of the day.

Loving Father,

we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son:

sustain us with your Spirit,

that we may serve you here on earth

until our joy is complete in heaven,

and we share in the eternal banquet

with Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Notices**

**The Rev'd Natasha Woodward** is making plans to join us as Interim Minister at Christ  
Church. We are now working towards a date of the 2nd September for her licensing.

Please save the date!

### **PCC meetings.**

This Tuesday 23rd Christ Church PCC meets, next Tuesday 30th St Anne's PCC meet.

Please pray for these leaders of our Church as we prepare for the next steps.

### **Guidance of re-opening**

This week we begin opening our churches for 'private prayer'. At Christ Church this  
means that from tomorrow the Prayer Chapel on Willesden Lane will be open for Private  
Prayer. At St Anne's that means when staff are in the building we will be open for Private  
Prayer—signs will go up. This week St Anne's open Tuesday 12noon—2pm, and Thursday  
10-12pm. We are also hoping we might open both churches for Private Prayer for a few

hours next Sunday, if we can get all things we need to in place—again we will let you know.

The main issue for public buildings like churches is that many people from different places come—so we are mixing lots of households in a confined space. The thing which is one of our greatest gifts in this context becomes one of the biggest challenges.

It is still anticipated that churches may be able to open for small services (without singing) from the 5th July. It also looks like we can open for funerals in the coming weeks as well. However this is all this to be clarified or confirmed.

### **Prayer windows**

We are creating a prayer window at St Anne's facing the street. Thanks to those who have already contributed prayers. You are invited to continue to contribute prayers which might be displayed to show that the church is still at work. Hand written prayers of postcard size would be great. Feel free to decorate if you would like, or cut into a shape. Some are already in the shape of candles and flowers. Prayers can be left through letter box of the church or vicarage and we will attach to windows. If you would rather, you can email you prayer requests to Mo C, and she will ensure they make it to the window.



### **Thank you for making a difference!**

A huge thank you to all who have contributed to the life of our parish, especially in these strange times. So much of what has been contributed has been completed without others knowing, but please know that everything you have done has been appreciated. From our secret gardeners and spring cleaners; to our delivery drivers and food collectors; from our 'phone a friend' callers; to all who have prayed for others. For those who have made food, shared flowers, encouraged another—a huge Thank you!!

### **Congregational Giving**

It might be strange to talk about giving at a time when the church building is physically closed, but like all organisations and families the financial commitments of the church continue. Thank you to all who give by Standing Order, some others may like to consider electronic payments while we are unable to meet in church. If you need details please let us know and we can forward them to you. For those who have envelopes, you may like to put them through Vicarage door and she will pass them to Treasurer. Please do not put money through church door.

### **Daily Hope 24hour phonenumber**

Daily Hope offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line. The line – which is available 24 hours a day on **0800 804 8044** – has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions in mind.

### **Practical Help**

**Sufra** are providing hot meals to people in need and they are being delivered. They are looking for volunteers, particularly drivers. More details available on their website

<https://www.sufra-nwlondon.org.uk/>

**Gift to your neighbour Foodhub**, contact via Salusbury World

[www.salusburyworld.org.uk](http://www.salusburyworld.org.uk)

### **Clothes Donations!**

Many of us have used the lockdown to clear out cupboards, but this is now placing a great deal of stress on the charity sector. At present many local charity shops have more than they can handle, and Laurence's Larder storage is overflowing. If you are able to store clothes till they are needed that is really helpful, if not please search online for shops that are not at capacity! Please do not just leave clothes either out Christ Church or local shops—this creates a great deal of work for volunteers— and encourages foxes!

## Keeping in Touch

You can phone Mo C—020 7624 5306 or See <http://st-annes-brondesbury.org.uk/praying-together/>



**For our prayers** The NHS and all who are working in essential services; for those who are struggling with being isolated; for all who are volunteers; for those parts of the world where war and famine were already an issue; for our friends, neighbours and congregation **and for:** Helen, Yvonne, Juliette, Ray, Pam, Alvrina, Neiletta, Yinka, Kyron, Matt, Rute, Patience, Ron, Evelyn, Linda, Richard, Josephine, John, Cecilia and Ruth and for those who have died recently including Marguerite Lewis and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time including Fred Coleman and Richard Costello.

## Services this coming week starting 21st June

**Tuesday 23rd June 8.30am Zoom Service—** Morning Prayer

**Wednesday 24th June —7pm Zoom Service -**Evening Prayer followed by at chat.

**Thursday 25th June - 8.30am Zoom Service—** Morning Prayer

**Sunday 28th June — Trinity 3 Sunday**

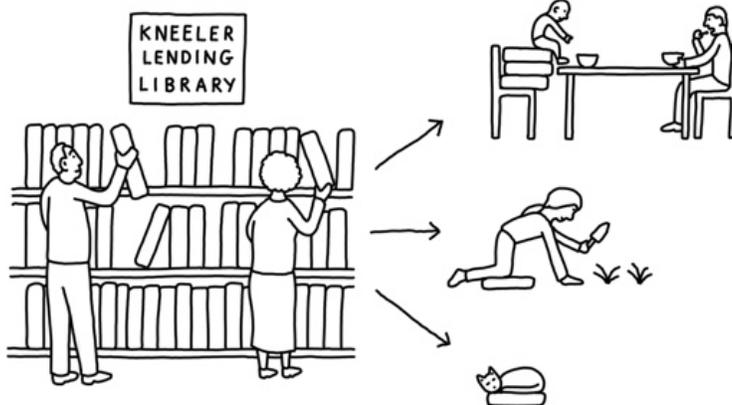
**10am** Facebook thought for the day

**10.30am—**Zoom Service of the Day followed by Chat.

# THE KNEELERS

HOW THEY ARE BEING USED DURING THE PANDEMIC

SOME WERE LENT OUT BEFORE THE START OF LOCKDOWN



A FEW WERE PILFERED  
(VERY TRICKY TO DETECT)



PENITENT KNEELER  
THIEF RETURNS STASH,  
HAVING BEEN  
CONVERTED BY  
EMBROIDERED MESSAGES

THE CLERGY USE THE REMAINDER FOR (SOCIALLY-DISTANCED) TEAM-BUILDING EXERCISES

