



St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

Confidently sharing the love of Christ

Sunday 20th February 2022

2nd Sunday before Lent

*Welcome to worship today—it is great to have you with us. We hope that you will feel welcome. 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 wear a face mask at all times during worship.** For the time being we have also decided to suspend refreshments after the service. Please let us respect the needs of each other at this challenging time. **All the words you need will be on the screens at the front, but service sheets and hymn books are available if you prefer.***

The President welcomes us and we stand to sing our opening hymn 40 Angel- voices ever singing past as the bell is rung.

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 President will introduce the service after which we make our confession

My sisters and brothers,
as we prepared to celebrate the presence of Christ
in word and sacrament,
let us call to mind those things which separate us
from God and one another...

Silence is kept

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in
thought and word and deed, through negligence, through
weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly
sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son
Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and
grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory
of your name. Amen.**

We sing together.

**Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy,
Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.**

We are reminded of God's forgiveness.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy
upon us, (+) pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm
and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Refrain: *Glory to God, Glory to God,
 Glory to God in the highest.***

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to His people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we
worship You we give You thanks,
we praise You for your glory. *Refrain:***

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God You take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our
prayer. *Refrain:***

**For You alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord, You alone are the most high
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father. *Refrain.***

The Collect

The Priest introduces a period of silent prayer and then sings a prayer

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever.

Amen.

Liturgy of the Word *(please sit)*

Our first reading comes from the concluding part of Genesis. Joseph's life story is like a mini-novel concluding the book of Genesis. Joseph's dramatic journey began when his brothers sold him into slavery in Egypt in Genesis 37. Joseph goes through a roller-coaster of good and bad fortunes as he rises to the highest position among his enslaver's household, falls to the depths of false imprisonment, rises to be in charge of other prisoners, languishes in prison, and finally experiences a resurgence to new heights as an advisor—even "a father"—to Pharaoh. When Joseph reveals himself to his brothers, they seem to presume that the old patterns of violence will persist; the narrator notes that they were silent because they were terrified (Genesis 45:3). But Joseph responds to their fears by revealing his surprising new perspective on the matter.

A reading from the Book of Genesis

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep

alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The second reading

We continue our journey through Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. These words of Paul to the people of Corinth call on them to ponder the ordinary experiences of life in order to understand the hidden things of God. To know the realm of God in all its dimensions, Paul encourages us to think about the differences between seeds and the plants they produce, or about the impermanence of flesh and blood, or about what it is like to look back on last year (or month or week) and assess how well we spent the hours of our days.

A reading from the first letter to the Corinthians

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body,

there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, “The first man, Adam, became a living being”; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven. What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

We remain seated as we sing our next hymn— 61—Be still and know that I am God.

The Gospel is announced.

These verses continue Jesus’ teaching that put us hearers on a level plain/playing field (verse 17) with all those to whom Jesus once spoke: the twelve, the crowd of disciples and the “multitude” from all over the area. We all get to hear Jesus open such a different world view from our own that it can leave us gasping. As in last week’s passage (Luke 6:17-26), the real power that gives Jesus credibility has been demonstrated before the speaking even began. We heard that “power came out of him” and healed everyone. All that power that flows from Jesus is dedicated to and will bring about a very different world, God’s world. The power will level the playing field no matter what rules we have established to create and protect our positions. The thriving of all creatures in God’s realm requires a different ethos from those customarily in place. Jesus quickly lists a bunch of plural imperatives that describe behaviour for those still listening. The very first imperative, “love,” is followed by some quite concrete examples. Do good; don’t just think well of, but do good too. Pray for, bless, give, do.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to You, O Lord.

Luke 6:27-38

“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. “If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

“Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

We sit to listen to the sermon after which we keep a period of silence to reflect.

Please stand

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,**

**and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.
We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

We kneel or sit as we prayer for the Church, the World and for this community.

During prayers we use the response:

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our Prayer.

Sometimes we will also use the words after we pray for those who have died:

Rest Eternal, Grant unto them O Lord
And may light perpetual shine upon them.
May they rest in peace
And rise in Glory

At the conclusion of the prayers we say.

Merciful Father,
**accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour
Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Liturgy of the Sacrament (please stand)

The Priest will introduce the peace

Blessed are the peacemakers:
they shall be called children of God.
We meet in the name of Christ and we share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you,
and also with you.
Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*We sing the offertory **Hymn 10—All creatures of our God and King
verses 1,2,3 and 7***

The Priest will offer a prayer of the gifts. We respond with the words:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this bread to set before you,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Lord be with you,
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

The preface continues until we sing.

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven
and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna
in the highest.**

After the Consecration

Great is the mystery of faith
**Christ has died
Christ is risen
Christ will come again**

*At the end of the Eucharistic Prayer we sing **Amen.***

Believing the promises of God, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

We sing the Agnus Dei.

**Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have
mercy on us
Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, have
mercy on us
Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, grant us
Your peace**

We are invited to receive communion

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.
**Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father**

*All who are baptised are welcome to receive. We currently receive in
one kind only. That means we receive the bread only.*

The Priest receives the wine on our behalf.

*Once all have received the bread and returned to our seat we
consume together with the words*

The body of Christ **Amen**

*During Communion we listen to O Sacrament Divine sung for us.
You may also like to light a candle during this time as a symbol of
your prayers rising toward God.*

At the end of communion the priest will lead us in a short prayer:
God our creator,
by your gift
the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise,
and the bread of life at the heart of your Church:
may we who have been nourished at your table on earth
be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross
and enjoy the delights of eternity;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

*We listen to the notices about our community life.
The Dismissal (please stand)*

We receive God's Blessing.

The Lord be with you
And also with you

The God of all grace
who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus
establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith;
and the blessing of the (+) Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

*We sing our final hymn 435 – Let us with a gladsome mind during
which the clergy depart.*

Our Community Life Together /Dates for your Diary
Lent Starts with Ash Wednesday on Wednesday 2nd March—
further details of activities and services to follow this week.

Finance—St Anne's

Our current monthly target for congregational giving is **£2180**. At present just shy of 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.

Changes in Covid restrictions

As you will be well aware Plan B restrictions ended on Thursday 27th January. In this transition period we are returning to the November Guidance. We would ask, that if you **can please wear a face mask** until you are upstairs and seated in your chair. It is then your choice if you remove your mask, but please do respect those close to you or keep a distance from them.

Also, we now have more traditional rows in church, please do continue to sit with gaps, but the we are quite used to doing that now. There are 'give space' signs that can be placed of seats if needed.

Windows will still be open for ventilation, so continue to wrap up. We are not going to start refreshments for a few weeks, but you are welcome to stay and chat after church

Laurence's Larder

You can still leave your donations, tinned fish or any non perishable food in the basket at the top of the stairs. You can see updates on this work at www.laurenceslarder.org.uk

Please bring either in for collection here!



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Illuminating Dark Times, Catholic Social Teaching for all

Anna Rowlands and Paula Gooder in conversation

Premieres online **Tuesday 22 February, 7.00-7.45pm**

The Supreme Act of Love: following Jesus from Holy Week to

Pentecost -Andrew Nunn and Paula Gooder in conversation

Premieres online on Tuesday 22 March, 7.00-7.45pm

See <https://www.stpauls.co.uk/learning-faith/adult-learning>

Willesden Area Training Event

Thinking about getting an electric car but got range anxiety?
Wondering if electric cars really are better for the environment or not? Did you know that Bishop Sarah drives an electric car? Come to this free seminar when Richard Waller, a senior lecturer in geography, will help us find out the facts beyond the hype. Organised by Willesden Training and Creation Care Team for the London Diocese All are welcome. Tues 22nd Feb 7.25pm for a 7.30pm start. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/240154056247>



For our prayers— Ray, Harriet, Neil, Tristan, Maureen, Bob, Piers, Michael, Mavis, Hada, June, Kay, Comfort, Joyce, Fr Robert, Jean, Peter, Pearl, Rute, Josephine, John, Cecilia and Ruth. We remember those who have died recently and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time including Sidney Hinks (Priest), Charles Dodd (Priest) and Doris Paterson.

Services during the week 20th February 2022

Monday	2pm Contemplation on Zoom
Tuesday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Chapel and on Zoom
Thursday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Chapel and on Zoom
Friday	8.30am Morning Prayer in Chapel and on Zoom 9.30am My Move 2pm Tea and Chat
Sunday 27th	8.30am Morning Prayer in Chapel and on Zoom
Last before	9.30am Sung Mass with Sunday School
Lent	<i>Thought for the day at some point on Facebook</i> 5pm Zoom Service of the Day

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