



# St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

*Confidently sharing the love of Christ*

**Sunday 13th February 2022**

## **3rd 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.***

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*The President welcomes us and we stand to sing our opening hymn 547 – O God our help in ages 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*

Eternal God,  
whose Son went among the crowds  
and brought healing with his touch:  
help us to show his love,  
in your Church as we gather together,  
and by our lives as they are transformed  
into the image of Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **Liturgy of the Word** *(please sit)*

**Our** first reading comes from Jeremiah 17: 5-10. This passage goes to the heart of biblical teaching, standing in dialogue with other passages and making important contributions to the discussion. The passage exhorts the reader to trust in the Lord. The issue of trust in the Lord comes up throughout scripture, in various ways and with many nuances. The terms “trust,” “have faith,” and “believe” reinforce each other.

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

Jeremiah 17:5-10

Thus says the Lord: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse—who can understand it? I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### ***The second reading***

*In this passage, Paul offers three arguments about Jesus' resurrection. Or more precisely, he makes one argument twice (15:13-14 and 15:16-18), and he makes another—and more important—argument once (15:15).*

*It's important to note that his arguments do not try to prove the reality of Jesus' resurrection. The reality of resurrection constitutes his arguments' starting point, not their conclusion. He points us beyond what we might or might not believe, aiming to reach deeply, as far down into truth as we can go. For Paul, this is not an abstract theological argument, some early version of how many angels can dance on the head of a pin. Resurrection lies right beside love at the concrete, indispensable centre of the Law, the Prophets, the Writings, and the Gospel.*

A reading from the first letter to the Corinthians

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*We remain seated as we sing our next hymn— 834 – Will you come and follow me (omit verse 3)*

*The Gospel is announced.*

*In today's Gospel The "sermon on a level place" (Luke 6:17-49) is one of the longest teaching discourses in the Gospel of Luke and the Book of Acts. Luke portrays Jesus as the final eschatological prophet who announces the partial manifestation of the Realm of God in the present and points to its completion at the apocalypse. While the early church expected that coming to take place fairly soon, Luke prepares the community for a delay.*

*Jesus' followers are to live in the present on the basis of the values and practices of the Realm. In Luke 6:17-49, the Lukan Jesus spells out representative qualities of living as eschatological witnesses of the Realm of God in the midst of the old-age. However, people do not live in the Realm on the strength of their own will. God empowers the eschatological community with the Holy Spirit.*

*Jesus stands on "a level place" (or "a plain"). Matthew sets a similar sermon on a mount to emphasize that Jesus received those teachings from God (Matthew 5-7). The geographical setting has a different function in the Gospel of Luke. The word "level" often refers to places of corpses, disgrace, idolatry, suffering, misery, hunger, annihilation, and mourning. Jesus teaches the way of the Realm in the midst of the world as such a level place.*

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 6:17-26

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on

account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. “But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. “Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. “Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. “Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

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 19 – All my hope on God is founded***

*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 Sam.*

*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:*

Merciful Father,  
who gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life,  
that those who come to him should never hunger:  
draw us to the Lord in faith and love,  
that we may eat and drink with him  
at his table in the kingdom,  
where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **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 75- Blessed Assurance during which the clergy depart.*

## **Our Community Life Together /Dates for your Diary**

### **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](http://www.laurenceslarder.org.uk)  
Please bring either in for collection here!



## **ADULT LEARNING AT ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL**

Explore the challenges, contradictions and joys of being a Christian in the 21st century with some of today's liveliest contemporary theologians, Christian thinkers and speakers. Online events are open to everyone, and all are welcome.

## **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 Edward Garner, Terry Leathers and

Roger Beane.

### **Services during the week 13th February 2022**

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| <b>Monday</b>      | No contemplation this week   |
| <b>Tuesday</b>     | <b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Chapel and on Zoom   |
| <b>Thursday</b>    | <b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Chapel and on Zoom   |
| <b>Friday</b>      | <b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Chapel and on Zoom<br><b>9.30am</b> My Move<br><b>2pm</b> Tea and Chat                                   |
| <b>Sunday 20th</b> | <b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Chapel and on Zoom   |
| 2nd before<br>Lent | <b>9.30am</b> Sung Mass with Sunday School<br><i>Thought for the day at some point on Facebook</i><br><b>5pm</b> Zoom Service of the Day |

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