



St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

Confidently sharing the love of Christ

St Anne's Day 21st July 2024

Welcome to St Anne's today – it is great to have you with us. St Anne's is the local Church of England parish church, and we are a diverse group of people. 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. 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. All the words for the service will be on the screens at the front however, if you would prefer to have a printed copy in your hands, or a large print copy, or a hymn books, they are on the landing.

Today we celebrate our patron - St Anne.

St Anne and her husband Joachim were the parents of Mary. (Feast Day 26th July) As our patron we aspire to live by her example of faith and trust in the God despite the ridicule of her neighbours and friends. Very little is written about Anne and Joachim but we can only guess from Mary's faithfulness they had provided her with a safe and secure home in which to grow.

As we celebrate St Anne, we also celebrate the life of our parish. We give thanks for all who are part of our community, for all that we have learnt; and the ways we have grown this year.



*A Priest will greet us. Please stand when the bell is rung. We sing our **Processional Hymn 190 – For all the Saints omit verse 3 and 5** as the Clergy enter.*

The Gathering

**We meet in the name of God the Father and
of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

The Lord be with you
And also with you

*The President will introduce the service and then leads us in our
confession*

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
firmly resolve to keep God's commandments
and to live in love and peace with all.

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.**

We sing our praise in the words of the Gloria

**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 says:

Lord God of Israel,
who bestowed such grace on Anne and Joachim
that their daughter Mary grew up obedient to your word and
made ready to be the mother of your Son: help us to commit
ourselves in all things to your keeping and grant us the
salvation you promised to your people; through Jesus Christ
your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the
unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Liturgy of the Word *(please sit)*

We hear a reading from the Old Testament

Psalm 24 is an entrance liturgy.

It is very likely that the liturgy was designed to accompany a procession into the Temple. The theme of entrance unifies the poem—it describes humans entering in God’s space (“Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?” verse 3) and God entering human space (“Lift up your heads, O gates!...that the King of glory may come in” verses 7, 9). Similarly, the poem describes the contrasting

natures of the God is who enters into human space and the nature of those humans who are able to meet the advent of this God. Psalm 24 is about the advent of human beings into the presence of God, and the mutual advent of the King of glory into the presence of “those who seek the face of God.”

A Reading from Psalm 24

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world,
and those who live in it;
for he has founded it on the seas,
and established it on the rivers.
Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?
And who shall stand in his holy place?
Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,
who do not lift up their souls to what is false,
and do not swear deceitfully.
They will receive blessing from the Lord,
and vindication from the God of their salvation.

Such is the company of those who seek him,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.
Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
that the King of glory may come in.
Who is the King of glory?
The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle.
Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son
And to the Holy Spirit
As it was in the beginning, is now
and shall be forever more. Amen**

Our Second reading

The key to interpreting Romans 8 is to recognize that Paul is writing to a collective community. He repeatedly refers to the first-person plural (we and us) and to “those (plural) who” love God. In a

culture that tends to read Romans as a roadmap for individual salvation, we must remember that Paul's letter does not address the faith or belief of single believers; it addresses a faithful, corporate body of Jesus-followers—God's beloved in Rome (1:7). In 8:18-39 Paul emphasizes that God will end the present age marked with suffering and establish God's good purposes on earth.

A reading from the Letter to the Romans
(Romans 8: 28-30)

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.

For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*We sing our Gradual **Hymn 34 – Amazing Grace omit verse 4** during which the Gospel is processed*

The Gospel is announced.

Chapter 13 of Matthew features the third major discourse of Jesus in this Gospel. In a set of seven parables, Jesus reveals the character of the reign of God—the “reign [or realm] of the heavens,” in Matthew's customary phrasing. The teaching session opens with a large crowd standing on the lake shore (verses 1-2) and concludes as Jesus, now addressing his disciples inside a house, pictures the reign of God with fish of every sort lying, again, on a lake shore (verse 48). Interspersed with these parables are explanations of two of them, the sower in verses 18-23 and the wheat and weeds in verse 36-43. Here Jesus invites the disciples to arrive at a deeper understanding not yet attained by the crowds. What might God be saying to us about our openness to hear and see God at work in this place.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

(Matthew 13: 13- 17)

The reason I speak to them in parables is that ‘seeing they do not perceive, and hearing they do not listen, nor do they understand.’ With them indeed is fulfilled the prophecy of Isaiah that says: ‘You will indeed listen, but never understand, and you will indeed look, but never perceive. For this people’s heart has grown dull, and their ears are hard of hearing, and they have shut their eyes; so that they might not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and understand with their heart and turn— and I would heal them.’ But blessed are your eyes, for they see, and your ears, for they hear. Truly I tell you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see, but did not see it, and to hear what you hear, but did not hear it.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

*The Gospel is carried back to the Altar. We sit to listen to the sermon.
After the sermon silence is kept.*

We stand to affirm our faith in the words of the creed.

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 the 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)

We are all one in Christ Jesus.
We belong to Him through faith,
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace in a manner that is comfortable to you.

We share the peace with those around us in a way we are comfortable until the offertory Hymn is announced. We sing the offertory Hymn 432 – Let us build a house where love can dwell

During the Hymn a collection is taken for the maintenance, mission and worship of St Anne's. Cash can be placed in the bowls that are passed around, or you can use the contactless point at the rear of church. Alternatively, you can use this QR code or the link to donate online st-annes-brondesbury.org.uk/donate



With this bread that we bring
we shall remember Jesus.

With this wine that we bring
we shall remember Jesus.

Bread for his body, wine for his blood,
gifts from God to his table we bring.
We shall remember Jesus.

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, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna, 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 join the priest saying:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

We join in the prayer that Jesus taught his friends to say in our preferred version and language.

**Our Father, who art in heaven
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us,
and lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

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 sin 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 peace.**

The Elevation

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

*We receive communion, during which we listen to Michael Card –
Come to the Table play.*

*All who are baptised are welcome to receive communion. We receive
God's grace in one kind or two, so we ask that you don't dip the
bread (host) into the chalice). You may also like to come forward for a
blessing.; and you may wish to light a candle.*

*At the end of communion, the priest will lead us in a period of silence,
and then a short prayer:*

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

We listen to the notices about our community life.

- *Sunday School Awards.*
- *Special Helpers Awards.*

*We affirm our commitment to living out our lives as the community of
St Anne's.*

There are varieties of gifts,
but the same spirit.

There are varieties of service,
but the same Lord.

There are different kinds of working,
but the same God is at work in all.

There is one body, one Spirit, one hope in God's call;
one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

There is one God, Father of all, over all and in all,
to whom Christ ascended on high.

And through his Spirit he gives us gifts:
some are apostles, some are his prophets;
evangelists, pastors and teachers he gives us,
so that we can minister together

to build up his body,
to be mature in the fullness of Christ.

We continue to live our lives in the community of St Anne's
confidently sharing the love of Christ

The Dismissal *(please stand)*

The Lord be with you

And also with you

God give you grace to follow his saints
in faith and hope and love;
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 777 – To God be the Glory during which the clergy depart.

Please do join us downstairs for brunch and conversation.

Our Community Life Together and Dates for your Diary

Laurence's Larder

As you know Laurence's Larder provides meals every Thursday as well as over 100 food bags every week. They continue to welcome Tuna but can also use **sardines and long life milk** – though any non-perishable everyday food items are great! They can be placed in the basket at the back of church, and Bill kindly delivers them to the Larder.

Finance

St Anne's is responsible for ensuring that we raise the funds to meet the cost off all that we do. This includes meeting the costs of the maintenance of the building; the mission we carry out (like My Move, Tea and Chat, support of the local community and our work with schools); and our worship. We raise some of these funds through renting out spaces; and the rest we rely on the generosity of the congregation and community through giving. There will be more details about this in the Autumn. At present we seek to raise £2200 each month through congregational giving, in June we were £200 shy of what we needed to raise.

Summer Period

Over the summer period the church is a bit quieter, and we have less user groups in. My Move and Sunday School are now finished till September. The 6th August will be the last weekday morning prayer until September. Please do send us a postcard or email photo if you are travelling.

Save the date. Mo C will be preaching at the 5pm Eucharist at St Paul's Cathedral on Thursday 15th August.

Queens Park Day

This year will take place on Sunday 15th September. Like previous years we will be having a stall. Please start collecting novels, good quality clothes, toys or bric-a-brac that we may be able to sell. Please also ask your neighbours for there summer paperbacks as well!



For our prayers— Carlson, Olawale and Eunice, Marco, Irene, Patsy, Jean and David, Joyce, Guy and Renate, AnneMarie and Marion, Emma, Peter and Rhona, Florret, John and Josephine, May, Mavis, Kay, Jean, Pearl, Peter, Ruth, John and Cecilia. We remember those who have died recently and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time including Earl Henderson.

Services during the week 21st July 2024

Tuesday 23rd 8.30 Morning Prayer in chapel and on zoom

Thursday 8.30 Morning Prayer in chapel

Friday 8.30 Morning Prayer in chapel
2pm Tea and Chat

Sunday 28th 9 am Morning Prayer in Chapel and Zoom
9th of Trinity **10am** Sung Eucharist

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