

St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

Confidently sharing the love of Christ

All Saints Sunday 27th October 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 very 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. Please do join us for morning tea after the service. 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, there are hymn books and service sheets at the back.

Season of Remembering—All Saints Remembering those who inspire us

Every day in the Church year has a saint day, but the Solemnity of All Saints is when the Church honours all saints, known and unknown. All Saints Day falls on the first of November each year, and the eve before it is All Hallows (saints) - eve—which is where the Halloween gets its name.



A Priest will greet us. Please stand when the bell is rung.

We sing our Processional **Hymn 190 For all the Saints** omit verse 5, 6 and 7 as the Clergy enter.

The Gathering 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 We come in this time of remembering: remembering those who have inspired us; those who have touched our lives whom we see no more; those who challenge us to be the people God has created us to be. We give thanks for the gift of memory and community.

Today, on this All-Saints Day Let us Rejoice, people of God, and praise the Lord! Let us keep the feast in honour of all God's saints, in whose hope the angels rejoice and glorify the Son of God. Let us remember previous worshippers of this congregation who have inspire our faithful praise of God.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, looking to Jesus in penitence and faith.

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 you, (+) pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you 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: Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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)

The biblical poems might helpfully involve being captivated by an image that shapes the imagination. In Isaiah 25:6–9, the mountain feast dominates the poem's vision. It has the capacity to "figure the mind" with an expectation of divine power, goodness, generosity, and abundance. Its vision merits consideration in how we embrace the future in the context of the feast of All Saints.

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah *(Isaiah 25:6-9)*

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations;

he will swallow up death for ever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

We hear a reading from the New Testament

Revelation is challenging, and today's passage is no exception! Revelation's proclamation of total newness grounds itself in God's character. First, God has demonstrated God's own faithfulness toward Israel. This is the dimension Isaiah celebrates: the God who chose and formed Israel as a people will see to Israel's salvation. Second, for the author of Revelation the "testimony of Jesus" embodies that divine faithfulness by making possible the renewal of all things. In Israel, and specifically through Israel's messiah, God has always been working salvation and renewal. Now, Revelation proclaims, is the moment of consummation. A reading from the Revelation of John (Revelation 21:1-6a)

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them: they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them: he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

We sing our **Gradual Hymn – 772 Thy hand O God has guided** omit verses 3 and 5

Please stand during the last verse as the Gospel is processed.

Our passage this week forms the climax of a lengthy narrative in John 11. In this passage, Jesus famously delays his arrival to help his friends Martha, Mary, and Lazarus. His delay not only allows Lazarus to die from his illness (11:17), but it also confuses Jesus' disciples, who think this is their last trip into a dangerous Judea where they will meet a glorious death with their teacher (11:7–16). Even when Jesus finally comes to Bethany, he at first stays some distance from Mary and Martha's home and Lazarus's tomb (11:20, 29).

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**

(John 11:32-44)

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eves of the blind man have kept this man from dving?' Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that vou sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice. 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

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.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the (+) resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. 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)

May the God of peace sanctify us: may our hearts be strengthened in holiness that we may be blameless before our creator at the coming of our Lord Jesus with his saints. The peace of the Lord be always with you **and also with you.** Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

We share the peace with those around us in a way we are comfortable until the offertory Hymn is announced. We sing Hymn **452 – Longing for light** during which a collection is taken

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 used this QR code or the link to donate online *stannes-brondesbury.org.uk/donate*



To you we come, Father of lights, with angels and saints, where heaven and earth unite. May Jesus meet us in the breaking of the bread. **Amen**

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 :

Christ is the bread of life When we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.

At the end of the Eucharistic Prayer we sing Amen.

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

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.

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

I heard the voice of a great multitude crying, 'Alleluia.' The Lord our God has entered into his kingdom.

(+) Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

We receive communion, during which we listen to David play. All who would normally receive are welcome to, and you may choose if you are ready to receive the chalice. We receive God's grace in one kind or two. (Please do not intinct (dip). 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, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; 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**

May God, who kindled the fire of his love in the hearts of the saints, pour upon you the riches of his grace. **Amen.** May he give you joy in their fellowship and a share in their praises. **Amen.** May he strengthen you to follow them in the way of holiness and to come to the full radiance of glory. **Amen.** And the blessing of God almighty, the + Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Following God's saints in the ways of holiness and truth, go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God

We sing our final **hymn 625 – Praise to the Lord** *during which the clergy depart.*

Please do join us for refreshments downstairs after the service

Our Community Life Together and Dates for your Diary

Kingdom Season

Now that we are in October we look forward to several festivals towards the end of the month. It starts today with All Saints Sunday

All Souls Day— Names and Flowers

We will be keeping All Souls Day on Sunday 3rd November. If you would like to donation a flower stem in memory of someone you can sign up for these in the foyer. We are also collecting names of those you would like to remember in prayers on that day. Can you also look at the list of names we have, and tick those you know you would like to continue to be prayer for. Donations can be given the wardens or Mo C.

Remembrance

On Monday November 11th we will host a Civic Act of Remembrance at the in Old Paddington Cemetery by the Commonwealth Memorial. Local schools will be participating, and we will gather around 10.45am; ready for 2 minutes silence at 11am.

Sunday 10th November – we will also conclude of regular Sunday Service with an Act of Remembrance.



Finance

Gardening morning

Our next Saturday gardening session will be 9th November from 10am – 12noon! No experience necessary – please bring your own gloves!

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. A huge thankyou to all who have reviewed their giving during Creation Season. It is not too late, please do consider moving to the Parish Giving Scheme, and adjusting your commitment.

Preparing for change

Mother Christine is finishing here on the 15th December. **Services** will continue every Sunday after Mo C moves, with Priests coming to cover; but we will need help with other things during this time. More about that to come! Farewell celebrations will take place on the 15th!

NOTICE OF SPECIAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 11:10am Sunday 17th November 2024 in St Anne's Rotunda

As members of the congregation of St Anne's Brondesbury you are invited and encouraged to attend a Special Parish Council Meeting to be held shortly after Sunday Mass on 17th November 2024, in the Rotundas at St Anne's.

This meeting will be brief, approximately 5 minutes, between 11:10-11:15am, as its sole purpose is to appoint the Independent Examiner for the Parish's annual accounts.

Richard Brindley & Simon Judge Church Wardens

For our prayers— Martin, Pam, Neil, Carlson, Olawale, Eunice, Marco, Patsy, Jean, 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 Hilda Buckels Seymor, Michael Smith, Peter Gordon, Katherine Gordon, Charles Harris, Viola Akers, Edgerton Rodgers and Lionel Morrison.

Services during the week 27 th October 2024	
Tuesday	8.30 Morning Prayer in chapel and on zoom
Thursday	8.30 Morning Prayer in chapel
Friday	8.30 Morning Prayer in chapel
	9.30am My Move
	2pm Tea and Chat
Sunday 3 rd	9 am Morning Prayer in Chapel and Zoom
All Souls	10am Sung Mass with Sunday School
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