

The News Sheet

Sunday 18th February 2018
1st Sunday of Lent Psalter Week 1

The Parish of the Holy Trinity, Stroud Green



with
Holy Innocents, Hornsey

WELCOME TO CHURCH - 2018 - A Year of Invitation

Today's hymns are: 185, 233, 839 and 384. Please stay for refreshments in the Groves Room after Mass.

Lent - Growing in Love

This year, by a happy coincidence, Ash Wednesday (the first day of Lent) was also Valentine's Day. We might not immediately associate roses, champagne and chocolates - the usual Valentine's gifts - with the discipline of Lent, but the two commemorations share a common factor; and that is love. During Lent we are called to give more attention to three traditional methods of spiritual growth: prayer, almsgiving and fasting. Each involves an element of giving up - giving up time, money and food. But each also enables us to grow in love. By spending time in prayer we grow in our love for God; by giving of time or money to good causes we grow in love for others, and by fasting we actually express a love for God, others and ourselves, by ridding ourselves of some the unnecessary things that can clutter our lives.

If you weren't able to begin Lent by being at Mass and receiving ash on your forehead, why not decide on your Lenten rule today? Now is the time to make a resolution to use this holy season to grow in faith, hope, grace and love. - Fr. Patrick

Confirmation

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make last Sunday's celebration such a wonderful occasion - especially to those who prepared and served the food afterwards and who stayed on to clear up.

Sunday Evening Taizé Service

Tonight at 6.00 pm we shall be holding our monthly service of readings and reflection using music from the Taizé community.

Youth Alpha - From today we will be running a Youth Alpha course for 8 weeks after the 11:30 Mass on Sundays. Alpha is an interactive series exploring the basics of the Christian faith. Come along and explore the faith with discussion, videos, Q & A's and Pizza! For more information speak to Millie.

The Women's World Day of Prayer

This year the united service will be held here at Holy Trinity on Friday 2nd March at 11.00 am. All are welcome.

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Lenten Devotions in Music, Art and Word

This Tuesday at 8.15 pm following the 7.30 pm Mass we shall be reflecting on Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane with readings, images, reflections and Chorale Preludes for organ.

Talks on Vocation at Holy Innocents

At 10.15 on Wednesday mornings during Lent each member of the parish team will take it in turns to speak and answer questions about the journey God has led them on. This week Fr. Ben will talk about his journey to the ordained priesthood.

On Fridays there will be **Ecumenical Stations of the Cross** at 7.30 pm at our local churches. The first devotion will be at St. Peter in Chains this Friday 23rd February, and will be followed by a frugal supper in aid of CAFOD.

We are also supporting the **Diocese of London Lent Appeal 'Tackling Homelessness Together'**, which supports night shelter projects across London, including the organisation behind the Holy Innocents shelter. We will do this by serving soup after Mass on Sundays and asking donations for this. Offers to make soup for a Sunday in Lent would be greatly appreciated.

Ecumenical Pilgrimage to Walsingham

On Saturday 14th April we shall be going on pilgrimage to Walsingham with some of our neighbouring churches. Leaving Holy Innocents at 8.00 am, we shall arrive at the Catholic shrine for the noon Mass, and then go to the village for sprinkling, Anglican Mass and devotions. A hot meal at 5.00 pm is included in the cost of £30. To book a place please buy a ticket from Fr. Patrick or Millie.

THE WEEK AHEAD

(Services are at Holy Trinity unless indicated otherwise)

Monday 19th 7.30 am 9.30 am 10 am to noon 7.30 pm	Lent Feria Morning Prayer Mass at Holy Innocents <i>Trinity Toddlers</i> Playgroup (hall) Choir Practice
Tuesday 20th 9.30 am 10.00 am 7.10 pm 7.30 pm 8.15 pm	Lent Feria Morning Prayer at St. Paul's Mass at St. Paul's Evening Prayer Mass Lent Devotions in music, art and word
Wednesday 21st 7.30 am 9.30 am	Lent Feria Morning Prayer Mass at Holy Innocents followed by a talk
Thursday 22nd 9.30 am 11.00 to 1.30 pm 6.30 pm	Chair of St. Peter Morning Prayer at Holy Innocents <i>Thursdays Together</i> in church hall Mass at Holy Innocents
Friday 23rd 7.30 am 7.30 pm	Lent Feria Morning Prayer Stations of the Cross at St. Peter in Chains
Saturday 24th 12.00 pm	Lent Feria Mass at Holy Innocents
SUNDAY 25th 11.30 am 12.45 pm 5.00 pm	2nd Sunday of Lent Sung Mass and Children's Liturgy Youth Alpha <i>Contemplate</i> at Holy Innocents

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