

# The News Sheet

Sunday 11th March 2018  
4th Sunday of Lent Psalter Week 4

## The Parish of the Holy Trinity, Stroud Green



with  
Holy Innocents, Hornsey

### WELCOME TO CHURCH - 2018 - A Year of Invitation

Today's hymns are: 398, 602, Supplement 10 and 745 . Please stay for refreshments in the Groves Room .

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

(Services are at Holy Trinity unless indicated otherwise)

<b>Monday 12th</b> 7.30 am 9.30 am 10 am to noon 7.45 pm	<b>Lent Feria</b> Morning Prayer Mass at Holy Innocents <i>Trinity Toddlers</i> Playgroup (hall) Evening Prayer and PCC
<b>Tuesday 13th</b> 9.30 am 10.00 am 7.30 pm 8.15pm	<b>Lent Feria</b> Morning Prayer at St. Paul's Mass at St. Paul's Mass Lent Devotions in music, art and word
<b>Wednesday 14th</b> 7.30 am 9.30 am	<b>Lent Feria</b> Morning Prayer Mass at Holy Innocents followed by a talk
<b>Thursday 15th</b> 9.30 am 11.00 to 1.30 pm 7.00 pm	<b>Lent Feria</b> Morning Prayer at Holy Innocents <i>Thursdays Together</i> in church hall Mass at Holy Innocents
<b>Friday 16th</b> 7.30 am 7.30 pm	<b>Lent Feria</b> Morning Prayer Stations of the Cross at St. Paul's Haringey
<b>Saturday 17th</b> 12.00 pm	<b>St. Patrick</b> Mass at Holy Innocents
<b>SUNDAY 18th</b> 11.30 am 12.45 pm 5.00 pm 6.00 pm	<b>5th Sunday of Lent</b> <b>Sung Mass and Children's Liturgy</b> <b>Youth Alpha</b> <i>Contemplate</i> at Holy Innocents <b>Taizé Service</b>

#### God so loved the World

'God so loved the world' is the first line of a well-known anthem sung by church choirs. The words come from our gospel reading today (John 3:16) and were memorably set to music by John Stainer in his devotional oratorio *The Crucifixion*, composed for St. Marylebone Parish church in 1887 and performed there every year since.

Today, Mothering Sunday, we focus on the love of our God who has no desire to condemn anyone. Lent is a time to celebrate this love and mercy of God, as we examine our lives in the light he brings. Sin is the option for darkness rather than light and contains in itself the seeds of self-condemnation, and Hell is chosen by those who prefer darkness to light. In our second reading St. Paul writes beautifully about God's mercy and the fact that we are God's 'work of art.' We may be God's works of art, but every artwork needs periodic restoration, and Lent is a good time to seek God's love and mercy necessary for this.

#### Youth Alpha

Youth Alpha is a course for young people for 8 weeks after the 11:30 Mass on Sundays. Come along and explore the basics of the Christian faith with discussion, videos, Q & A's and Pizza! For more information speak to Millie.

#### Holy Trinity PCC

Meets this Monday 12th March, beginning with Evening Prayer at 7.45 pm. The necessary papers are available to members of the PCC today.

#### Taizé Service 18th March

Next Sunday evening at 6.00 pm we will hold another of our monthly reflective services using readings and music from the Taizé community in France.

#### LENT 2018

**Lenten Devotions in Music, Art and Word** This Tuesday at 8.15 pm following the 7.30 pm Mass we shall be reflecting on the carrying of the cross by Jesus with readings, images, reflections and music sung by Holy Trinity Church Choir and friends.

**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 our pastoral assistant Gemma will talk about her spiritual journey.

This Friday (16th) the **Ecumenical Stations of the Cross** will take place at 7.30 pm at St. Paul's Haringey.

#### Holy Week and Easter Services

We are fast-approaching Holy Week and Easter, and this year the Maundy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper (on 29th March) with watch until midnight will take place here at Holy Trinity. The Good Friday liturgy will be here at 3.00 pm and the Easter Vigil will be a joint celebration at Holy Innocents on Saturday 31st March at 8.00 pm. Please put these dates in your diary and make being at these 'Triduum' services a priority.

#### 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 during the afternoon. Pilgrims will need to bring a packed lunch or purchase lunch locally. A hot meal at 5.00 pm will be included in the cost of £30, and we should arrive back about 9.00 pm. To book a place please buy a ticket from Fr. Patrick.

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