

The News Sheet

Sunday 18th March 2018
5th 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: 744, 363, 754 and 801. Please stay for refreshments in the Groves Room.

Dying and Rising

Next week is the holiest week of the Christian year. During it we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus - God the Father's plan that death unfolds into life. The death of God's son led to his resurrection, and his death will lead to our resurrection as well. God's plan also pervades our daily lives and experiences - not only our spiritual lives. Hence Jesus had no trouble in finding illustrations from daily life for what we call the Paschal Mystery. From his observations of nature he declared, 'Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains a grain of wheat. But if it dies it produces much fruit.' (Today's Gospel reading)

We come into contact with the Paschal Mystery for the first time with our baptism where, as St. Paul says, we are baptised into Christ's death that we might live in newness of life. Every time we participate in the Mass we do so in memory of Christ's death and resurrection. We say this out loud at each Mass immediately after the bread and wine have been consecrated as the Body and Blood of Christ. And once a year we celebrate this saving mystery of our faith in the *Triduum* services of Holy Week on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. Our celebration of this great truth is all the more moving if these beautiful and thought-provoking liturgies are well attended!

Taizé Service Tonight at Holy Trinity

This evening at 6.00 pm there will be a reflective service using readings and music from the Taizé community in France.

Electoral Roll Revision

The Electoral Roll is the nearest thing we have to a list of church membership. It will be revised over a period of two weeks from Easter Sunday this year to take into account comings and goings in our congregation.

Clocks Change

Don't forget to put your clocks **forward** one hour this coming Saturday. Otherwise you may be late for church!

Easter flowers, cleaning and decoration

Please consider helping make the church look beautiful for Easter. Offers of money for flowers and of help cleaning on Saturday 31st March can be made to Fr. Patrick or the Wardens.

Lenten Devotions in Music, Art and Word This Tuesday at 8.15 pm we shall be reflecting on the crucifixion with readings, images, reflections and music by JS Bach and others played by Marion Bettsworth (organ).

Talks on Vocation at Holy Innocents Wednesday at 10.15 am This week Holy Innocents Lay Reader, Brenda, will talk about her spiritual journey.

This Friday (23rd) the **Ecumenical Stations of the Cross** will take place at 7.30 pm at Hornsey Parish Church.

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 at 8.00 pm. **We need six people from Holy Trinity to volunteer to have their feet ceremonially washed during this service.**

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. There is a separate leaflet available detailing all the services in our parishes for Holy Week and Easter, 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.

THE WEEK AHEAD

(Services are at Holy Trinity unless indicated otherwise)

Monday 19th 7.30 am 9.30 am 10 am to noon	St. Joseph Morning Prayer Mass at Holy Innocents <i>Trinity Toddlers</i> Playgroup (hall)
Tuesday 20th 9.30 am 10.00 am 7.30 pm 8.15pm	Lent Feria Morning Prayer at St. Paul's Mass at St. Paul's 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 7.00 pm	Lent Feria Morning Prayer at Holy Innocents <i>Thursdays Together</i> in church hall Requiem Mass at Holy Innocents
Friday 23rd 7.30 am 7.30 pm	Lent Feria Morning Prayer Stations of the Cross at Hornsey P. Church
Saturday 24th 12.00 pm	Lent Feria Mass at Holy Innocents
SUNDAY 25th 11.30 am 12.45 pm 5.00 pm	PALM SUNDAY Sung Mass and Children's Liturgy Youth Alpha <i>Contemplate</i> at Holy Innocents