

# The News Sheet

Sunday 25th November 2018  
Christ the King (B) Psalter Week 2

The Parish of the Holy Trinity,  
Stroud Green



with  
Holy Innocents, Hornsey

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

Today's hymns are: 239, 559, 187 and 619. Please stay for refreshments in the Groves Room after Mass.

### What King is this?



Christ the King is the feast we celebrate today. Saint Paul speaks of Jesus Christ at the end of time handing over the kingdom to God the Father, and the Preface to the Eucharistic Prayer today repeats this, describing Christ's kingdom as one of truth and life, of holiness and grace, of justice, love and peace. This ideal is not to be merely a future hope but is to be worked for in the present. The kingdom is our hope, but somehow it is also in our midst, in the process of becoming. Jesus tells us how we are to promote the fuller coming of God's kingdom among us. It comes whenever justice is done for the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, and the oppressed. To behave in this way is to imitate him as the Shepherd-King. He rescues humanity from situations of alienation, he feeds, gives rest, heals and makes strong. Among his final words was a promise to the thief being crucified at his side, that he would be enfolded by the eternal love of God, in paradise.

The practical way to honour Christ our King is to work for the coming of his kingdom. Anything we do for the relief of the deprived and underprivileged is also a service to Christ, because he identifies himself personally with people in need. As disciples of Christ the King, we cannot afford the luxury of comfortably keeping ourselves to ourselves, or of thinking "Well I do no harm to anyone." To be deaf to the cries of the neighbour in need is to close our ears to Christ. To be blind to the anguish of the dying is to shut our eyes to him. If we follow Jesus Christ as our Shepherd-king we must in some way be shepherds ourselves, for his sake.

### THE WEEK AHEAD

(Services are at Holy Trinity unless indicated otherwise)

<b>Monday 26th</b>	<b>Feria</b>
7.30 am	Morning Prayer
9.30 am	Mass at Holy Innocents
10 am to noon	Trinity Toddlers Playgroup (hall)
<b>Tuesday 27th</b>	<b>Feria</b>
9.00 am	Morning Prayer at Holy Innocents
7.10 pm	Evening Prayer
7.30 pm	Mass
<b>Wednesday 28th</b>	<b>Feria</b>
7.30 am	Morning Prayer
9.30 am	Mass at Holy Innocents
<b>Thursday 29th</b>	<b>Feria</b>
11.00 to 1.30 pm	Thursdays Together in the church hall
7.00 pm	Mass at Holy Innocents
8.00 pm	Organ Recital at Holy Trinity
<b>Friday 30th</b>	<b>St. Andrew</b>
7.30 am	Morning Prayer
7.30 pm	Choir Practice for Advent
<b>Saturday 1st</b>	<b>Feria</b>
12.00 pm	Mass at Holy Innocents
<b>SUNDAY 2nd</b>	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>
<b>11.30 am</b>	<b>Sung Mass and Sunday School</b>
5.00 pm	Contemplate at Holy Innocents
<b>6.00 pm</b>	<b>Ecumenical Service of Readings and Music for Advent followed by mulled wine and mince pies.</b>

### Advent Sunday at Holy Trinity

As usual we shall be holding our Advent service on Sunday 2nd December at 6.00 pm. The service will be followed by mulled wine and mince pies. Any donation of mince pies for the occasion will be gratefully received. Please put the date in your diaries.

### Advent Prayer Tree

Next week, as Advent starts, a small 'Advent tree' will be placed at the back of church. Unlike a Christmas tree it will not be decorated, but small labels will be available for people to write the names of the people or the things they will be praying for in Advent (anonymously if liked). These can be hung on the tree which will be moved into the sanctuary at Christmas.

### Music for a Winter's Eve - Organ Recital

Our series of weekday evening concerts at Holy Trinity continues this Thursday 29th November at 8.00 pm when Andrej Ivanovic, a talented young organist from Oxford, puts our lovely instrument through its paces.

### Parish Christmas Meal - Monday 17th December

We are reserving places at the Sumak Restaurant for 7.00 pm on 17th December. To book, please give the cost of £20 to Fr. Patrick or Irena. This includes food, drink and a staff gratuity.

### CARIS Toy Appeal

CARIS Haringey are planning Christmas parties for homeless children living in temporary and unsecured accommodation; and are seeking donations of NEW toys, games and books e.g. baby toys, pre-school toys, board games, Duplo / Lego, dolls, cars, puzzles, musical toys, art materials. These can be brought to Holy Trinity on or before Thursday 6th December.

### Bishop Peter at Holy Innocents

Our former bishop, Bishop Peter Wheatley, will preside and preach at a Mass for the Immaculate Conception at Holy Innocents at noon on Saturday 8th December. The Mass will be followed by refreshments. All welcome.

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