

Weekly Newsletter

Sunday 14th July 2019

15th Sunday of the Year (C) Psalter Week 3

The Parish of the Holy Trinity,
Stroud Green



with
Holy Innocents, Hornsey

WELCOME TO HOLY TRINITY - Seeking to know and serve God and our local community

Today's hymns are: 195, 302, 150 and 813. Please stay for refreshments after Mass.



GOOD SAMARITANS

In our racially diverse society of today we have largely retained values which are rooted in Christianity. Many people take seriously the message of the good Samaritan parable. A group called The Samaritans was started in 1953 by the London vicar, Rev Chad Varah, in order to help people in trouble and on the verge of despair. Although not a religious organisation, it is a very Gospel-based movement.

The impact of the parable of the "Good Samaritan" we hear today in the gospel reading is extraordinary when we remember that for the Jews the Samaritans were anything but good. What does the parable mean for us here and now? Jesus used it to illustrate the most important quality he wants in his followers. It was his answer to a specific question: "Who is my neighbour?" The answer is that everyone, without exception, must be treated with love and respect.

We might wonder what the Samaritan had to gain personally from doing this act of charity. The answer, in material terms, is precisely nothing. Love that is really and truly love, is disinterested. What merit is there in being good only to our friends, who will reward us in return, should the need arise? Christian love must be more inclusive than that. Furthermore, if we do not show love to the neighbour whom we see, then no matter what commandments we keep, what ritual sacrifices we join in, as did the priest and Levite in the parable, we become incapable of loving the God we cannot see. If we join in the Eucharistic meal and receive God's Son into our hearts, we must first cleanse our heart of hatred, bitterness, ill-will, because the God we receive in this sacrament is the God of love.

THE WEEK AHEAD

(Services are at Holy Trinity unless indicated otherwise)

Monday 15h	St Bonaventure
7.30 am	Morning Prayer
9.30 am	Mass at Holy Innocents
9.30 am	Trinity Toddlers Playgroup (Hall)
Tuesday 16th	Our Lady of Mount Carmel
9.00 am	Morning Prayer at Holy Innocents
7.10 pm	Evening Prayer
7.30 pm	Mass and TRA Meeting
Wednesday 17th	Feria
7.30 am	Morning Prayer
9.30 am	Mass at Holy Innocents
Thursday 18th	Feria
11.00 to 1.30 pm	<i>Thursdays Together</i> in church hall
7.00 pm	Mass at Holy Innocents
Friday 19th	Feria
7.30 am	Morning Prayer
Saturday 20th	Feria
12 noon	Mass at Holy Innocents
SUNDAY 21st	16th Sunday of the Year
11.30 am	Sung Mass
5.00 pm	'Contemplate' at Holy Innocents

Pet Service this afternoon

There will be a service with blessing of pets at Holy Innocents at 4.00 pm this afternoon. Everyone, including pets, is welcome.

TRA Meeting

The Tottenham Refugee Alliance needs YOU. To find out how, come to our next meeting on Tuesday 16th at 7.30pm (8.15 if attending Mass) in Holy Trinity Church Hall, Stapleton Hall Road.

Confirmation and First Holy Communion

Bishop Jonathan will be coming to Holy Trinity in January for our confirmation. If you or anyone you know would like to know more about being confirmed and / or receiving Holy Communion for the first time, please speak to Fr. Patrick.

Millie Gibson and Andrew Day

Millie Gibson, a former Pastoral Assistant here will be married to Andrew next weekend. We wish them every blessing in their married life together. Please sign the card for Millie and Andrew available at the back of church, and thank you to everyone who has contributed to a wedding gift for them from our parishes.

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