

Weekly Newsletter

Sunday 21st July 2019

16th Sunday of the Year (C) Psalter Week 4

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: 386, 495, 517 and 512. Please stay for refreshments after Mass.

Martha and Mary



It is hard not to feel a twinge of sympathy for Martha in today's gospel. Jesus was her house after all, and she would naturally want to show it at its best. Her problem, as with over-anxious people in general, was that she saw only one right way to do things, and became annoyed when others followed a different course. What she does not see is that the best kind of welcome is when we forget ourselves and focus on what our visitor really needs.

Martha loved Jesus, and it is clear that he treasured both sisters. Martha's mistake was in not realising how Jesus wished to be received. Mary correctly sensed that when Jesus came to visit them what he wanted from them was not food but conversation. So, while Martha made the greater effort at housekeeping, Mary knew better what he expected of her. He was there not to receive but to give, not to be served but to serve. He had something to say and they needed to listen to him.

What about us? Jesus can come to talk to us in the quiet of the evening or the freshness of the morning, to share with us the Word of life. He comes not because he needs us but because we need him. We too can be distracted and "worry and fret about so many things." We may, like Martha, miss the better part, the one thing necessary, which is to be still and listen to the Word of God.

Welcome Fr. Gwyn

We welcome Fr. Gwyn Clement as the celebrant and preacher at the 11.30 am Mass today. Fr. Gwyn has recently retired as Rector of Hendon, and Fr. Patrick worked briefly with him in Edmonton before coming to Holy Trinity in 2002.

Thursdays Together

Please note that due to repair work taking place in the church hall this week, Thursdays Together will meet at the back of church.

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 at Holy Trinity, was married to Andrew this weekend. We wish them every blessing in their married life together. Thank you to everyone from the parish who has contributed towards a wedding gift for them.

THE WEEK AHEAD

(Services are at Holy Trinity unless indicated otherwise)

Monday 22nd 7.30 am 9.30 am	St Mary Magdelene Morning Prayer Mass at Holy Innocents
Tuesday 23rd 9.00 am 7.10 pm 7.30 pm 8.15 pm	St. Bridget of Sweden Morning Prayer at Holy Innocents Evening Prayer Mass PCC Buildings Team Meeting
Wednesday 24th 7.30 am 9.30 am	Feria Morning Prayer Mass at Holy Innocents
Thursday 25th 11.00 to 1.30 pm 7.00 pm	St. James <i>Thursdays Together in church</i> Mass at Holy Innocents
Friday 26th 7.30 am	SS Joachim and Anne Morning Prayer
Saturday 27th 12 noon	Feria Mass at Holy Innocents
SUNDAY 28th 11.30 am 5.00 pm	17th Sunday of the Year Sung Mass 'Contemplate' at Holy Innocents

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