

HYMN BOOKS

Our fundraising campaign for copies of the new **Revised English Hymnal** is almost there and we are about there, but more is welcome. Books can be donated in memory of loved ones and with their name inscribed in the front.
THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED SO FAR.

Follow us on **Social Media**:
(Facebook: 'Holy Trinity, Stroud Green').
The parish website is to be redesigned.
What ideas might you have for it?

E-VANGELISM

The parish e-mailing list is being renewed. Do you know anyone who would like to receive our newsletter and zoom code each week? If you do, please let Kay know via the details below – or tell Fr Simon.

Diary Dates

THE TUESDAY EVENING SERMON DURING AUGUST WILL FOCUS ON A PARTICULAR WRITER OR ARTIST, WITH DRINKS AFTER THE MASS.

Tuesday 25 August:

Madonna Louise Ciccone (b. 1958)

Saturday 5 September: Mass at St Andrew Holborn before the March for Life (CofE Voices for Life)

Tuesday 8 September: Walsingham Cell Mass for the Nativity of the BVM, followed by drinks

Monday 14 September: PCC at 6.30pm (mass before)

Saturday 26 September: Concert by the Crouch End Singers

Sunday 4 October: Harvest Festival

Saturday 24 October: Parish Quiz and Supper

Sunday 8 November: Remembrance Sunday

Holy Innocents' day-pilgrimage to Walsingham on 17 October. (approx £40-60, either by coach or by rail). Please advise Fr Simon if of interest.

Fr Simon is very happy to make home visits. If anyone would like this, please just let him know.

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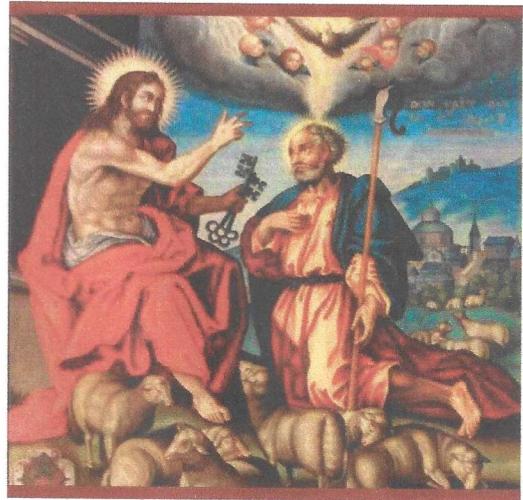
Please contact **Fr Simon** via Kay or the wardens.

The Sunday Mass
23 August 2026

Holy Trinity
Stroud Green



TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Celebrant: Fr the Vicar

Organist: Steven Edis

Entrance Hymn: 177 For the beauty of the earth

Opening Prayer

O God, who cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

First Reading

Isaiah 22.15,19-23

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord GOD of hosts,

'Come, go to this steward, to Shebna, who is over the household, and say to him: "I will thrust you from your office, and you will be pulled down from your station. In that day I will call my servant Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, and I will clothe him with your robe, and will bind your sash on him, and will commit your authority to his hand. And he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the house of Judah.

And I will place on his shoulder the key of the house of David. He shall open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open. And I will fasten him like a peg in a secure place, and he will become a throne of honour to his father's house."

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 138(137).1-2a. 2bc, 3. 6, 8bc. R.8bc

**R/. O LORD, your merciful love is eternal;
discard not the work of your hands.**

I thank you, LORD, with all my heart;
you have heard the words of my mouth.
In the presence of the angels I praise you.
I bow down towards your holy Temple.

**R/. O LORD, your merciful love is eternal;
discard not the work of your hands.**

I give thanks to your name
for your merciful love and your faithfulness.
On the day I called, you answered me;
you increased the strength of my soul.

**R/. O LORD, your merciful love is eternal;
discard not the work of your hands.**

The LORD is high, yet he looks on the lowly,
and the haughty he knows from afar.
O LORD, your merciful love is eternal;
discard not the work of your hands.

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discard not the work of your hands.**

Second Reading

Romans 11.33-36

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgements and how inscrutable his ways! 'For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counsellor?' 'Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?' For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory for ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church,
and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.
Alleluia!**

The Gospel

Matthew 16.13-20

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

At that time: When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter replied, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you

loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.' Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Offertory Hymn: 688 The Church's one foundation

Prayer over the offerings

O Lord, who gained for yourself a people by adoption through the one sacrifice offered once for all, bestow graciously on us, we pray, the gifts of unity and peace in your Church. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

Please come to the altar rails and kneel to receive holy communion, if able.

*During communion, the choir sings
Seek ye first the Kingdom of God*

Communion Hymn: 677 Take my life and let it be

Prayer after Communion

Complete within us, O Lord, we pray, the healing work of your mercy and graciously perfect and sustain us, so that in all things we may please you. Through Christ our Lord.

Final Hymn: 184 Forth in thy name

After the Mass

Refreshments are available after the service.
Please stay if you can.

Contactless giving

There is a device by the door at the back of church for any contactless donations.



Alternatively, please scan this QR code. Thank you.

Thursdays Together is on a summer pause and will resume in September.

Masses this Week

Tuesday 25 August at 7.30pm:

St Louis

Friday 28 August at 10am:

St Augustine