Easter 6

Sunday 6 May 2018



This Sunday

8am Said Eucharist (BCP) President: Rev. Dr. Robertr Tobin

10.30am Sung Eucharist

President: Rev. Dr. Robert Tobin

Lay Deacon: Rob Slater-Carr Preacher: Rev. Eileen Serbutt Readers: Gary Wannan

Joan James-McGowan

Intercessor: Ann Watkins Setting: St. Thomas

OoS: Easter

Readings: Acts 10.44-end

I John 5.1-6 John 15.9-17

6.30pm Evening Prayer Officiant: Christopher Serbutt

Psalm(s): 45

Readings: Song of Solomon 4.16-5.2,

8.6,/

Revelation 3.14-end

Collect, Hymns and Readings

Introit:

O Love, How Deep, How Broad (NEH 425)

Collect:

God our redeemer,

you have delivered us from the power of darkness

and brought us into the kingdom of your

grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life,

so by his continual presence in us he may raise us

to eternal joy;

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading: Acts 10.44-end

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. ⁴⁵The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, ⁴⁶for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' ⁴⁸So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Second Reading: 1 John 5.1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, ⁴for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. ⁵Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? ⁶This is the one who came by water and

blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Gradual:

Blest Are The Pure In Heart (NEH 341)

Gospel Reading: John 15.9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

12'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. 13No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. 14You are my friends if you do what I command you. 15 do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Offertory:

For The Beauty Of The Earth (NEH 285, 1st tune)

Communion Hymn:

Be Thou My Vision (NEH 339)

Post Communion Prayer:

God our Father,

whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life:

may we thirst for you,

the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen.

Dismissal:

Rejoice The Lord Is King (NEH 443)

JOY IS LOVE EXULTING

Joy is Love exulting and peace is Love at rest Patience Love enduring in every trial and test:

Gentleness, Love yielding to all that is not sin:

Goodness, Love in actions that flow from Christ within.

Faith is Love's eyes opened the living Christ to see;

Meekness, Love not fighting but bowed at Calvary:

Temperance, Love in harness and under Christ's control;

For Christ is Love in Person, and Love, Christ in the soul.

Church News

JUNIOR CHURCH NOTICE

Parents and carers of children coming into the nave from Junior Church during the announcements are asked to ensure that their children sit with them, rather than going into the crèche area. Thank you.

LECTIO DIVINA

Lectio Divina takes place every second Wednesday evening of the month. In May, it will be held at the home of Mike Mullins and Paula Reynolds (11 Fieldhouse Road) from 7.00-8.30pm (with pizza and drinks beforehand). From June-October, it will take place at St Mary's from 7.00-8.30pm (with drinks and nibbles beforehand), and then for the November and December meetings will take place again at Mike and Paula's. To learn more, please contact Mike at mikemullins1964@gmail.com or speak to him after the service.

9th May (at Mike and Paula's)

13th June (at SMB)

11th July (at SMB)

8th August (at SMB)

12th September(at SMB)

10th October (at SMB)

14th November (at Mike and Paula's)

12th December (at Mike and Paula's)

AROUND THE TABLE

Wednesday May 16, 7.30pm

The next session of Around the Table, the St. Mary's Bible Study Group, is on Wednesday May 16 starting at 7.30pm and finishing around 8.30pm with Compline.

We will be continuing our study of Mark's Gospel with the second of our two sessions on discipleship. All sessions are designed to be stand-alone, so if you haven't been before, or you've missed one or two, it won't matter.

No matter where you are on your Christian journey, you are more than welcome. If you have any questions, please speak to Chris Serbutt.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2018 13TH - 19TH MAY

HOUSE TO HOUSE COLLECTION

On Friday 11th May Guides and Brownies will deliver Christian Aid envelopes in the belief that you will support them by collecting them back.

I need 20 willing volunteers to collect them back on Monday I4th and Tuesday I5th May. If you are aged I6 or over and keen and enthusiastic, come and discover the Parish boundaries, meet new people and their pets and have fun. We all go out together so you will not be alone.

Meet in Holy Family Chapel (side access) at 6.45pm on Mon 14th or Tue 15th for training before collecting if you have never done it before. Last year we raised over £2000 with gift aid.

Thank you. Diane Holmes

PLASTIC BOTTLETOPS

If you have any plastic tops, the sort used on juice cartons or drinks bottles, can you please save them and give them to Nicky Morton. Thank you.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

If you wok or volunteer in any position that needs safeguarding training, the CS I course is running at St. Alban's church, Streatham on Saturday June 9. To book your place please email the Area Dean, Rev. Sue Clarke, (semclarke@btinternet.com) direct or speak to Chris Serbutt.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ST ALBANS

Saturday 23 June

Sign up sheet is now on the board – final deadline Sunday 17 June

8:00am - Gather at St Mary's for prayers. 8:29 am - Train departs Balham, change at Watford Junction.

I I:00am - Start of Pilgrimage Procession followed by Festival Eucharist in St Albans Abbey.

Our Cathedral Dean Fr Andrew Nunn SCP is the preacher

Lunch - Bring picnic or explore local eating options.

4:00pm - Festival Evensong and Shrine Procession.

Preacher is Fr Stuart Burns OSB - Abbot of Mucknell Abbey

8:15pm – Approximate arrival time back in Balham.

Costs including return rail travel, Pilgrimage Rose and Prayer leaflet

Adult £15; OAP with Freedom Pass £10; Children £5;

Adult with Z1/2/3 Travelcard £12; Adult Pilgrimage only (no travel) £5;

Contact Alex Russell or Fr Mike Todd for further information on (020 8677 7328

CAR PARKING SPACE

We will have a car parking space available at £42.50 per month from I June. Please contact the Lettings Officer for more information.

Community News

MULTIFAITH WALK

Sunday May 13

Hosted by BATCA (Balham and Tooting Community Association) and local history group Summerstown 182 from 3pm to approx 5.30pm

A great opportunity to meet people of different faiths and go behind doors that are usually closed. We'll be going to the Idara mosque in Church Lane, All Saints Church in Franciscan Road and the Tooting Islamic Centre in Upper Tooting Road. We'll be warmly welcomed, see the building and be greeted by faith leaders and members. There'll be refreshments at the Tooting Islamic Centre. The meeting point at the start of the walk (3pm) is outside St Nicholas' Church, at the corner of Church Lane and Mitcham Road in Tooting Broadway. Gentle pace and excellent guide. To know more or if you plan to join in please contact please contact Kate on kateallan00@gmail.com or call 07966 690308/ 020 8870 1550

Box On The High Road

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During May we will be collecting for Christian Aid and the box will take donations and envelopes. Please be generous. Nominations for charities during June, July and August would be welcomed. Diane Holmes

Coming Up

Sunday 6 May Easter 6

8am Said Eucharist (BCP)

10.30am Sung Eucharist

6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP)

Monday 7 May

8am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 8 May

8am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 9 May

8am Morning Prayer 12.30pm Said Eucharist

Thursday 10 May Ascension Day

8am Morning Prayer

8pm Ascension Day Eucharist

Friday II May

8am Morning Prayer

Saturday 12 May

9.30am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 16 May

7.30pm Around The Table

Saturday 26 May

7pm Concert

(London Saxophone Choir)

Saturday 9 June

tbc Love Balham

tbc Safeguarding Training

(at St. Alban's Streatham)

Our Prayers This Week

Our world:

For all those who have been trafficked into slavery

Our community:

 For all newly elected and re-elected councillors, that they guide our communities with faithfulness and integrity

A complete list of prayer requests can be found in the printed version of this pewsheet

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