

*The Parish of St. Mary and St. John the Divine, Balham*

# **Trinity 17**

*Sunday 23 September 2018*

## This Sunday

**8am**

President:

**Said Eucharist (BCP)**

Rev. Canon Bill Norman

**10.30am**

President:

Lay Deacon:

Preacher:

Readers:

Junior Church:

Intercessor:

Setting:

OoS:

Readings:

**Sung Eucharist**

Rev. Eileen Serbutt

Martin Gray

Christopher Serbutt

Mark Synge

Rosemary Kennedy

Rev. Dr. Robert Tobin

Joan James-McGowan

Andrew Purkis

St. Thomas

Sundays after Trinity

Jeremiah 11.18-20

James 3.13-4.3, 7-8a

Mark 9.30-37

**6.30pm**

Officiant:

Psalm(s):

Readings:

**Evening Prayer**

Rev. Eileen Serbutt

Psalm 119.137-144

Exodus 19.10-end

Matthew 8.23-end

## Collect, Hymns and Readings

### Introit:

*Praise To The Holiest In The Height*  
(NEH 439, 1st tune, omit \*)

### Collect:

Almighty God,  
you have made us for yourself,  
and our hearts are restless till they find their  
rest in you:  
pour your love into our hearts and draw us  
to yourself,  
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city  
where we shall see you face to face;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

### First Reading:

*Jeremiah 11.18-20*

<sup>18</sup>It was the Lord who made it known to me,  
and I knew;

then you showed me their evil deeds.

<sup>19</sup>But I was like a gentle lamb  
led to the slaughter.

And I did not know it was against me  
that they devised schemes, saying,  
'Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,  
let us cut him off from the land of the  
living,

so that his name will no longer be  
remembered!'

<sup>20</sup>But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge  
righteously,

who try the heart and the mind,  
let me see your retribution upon them,  
for to you I have committed my cause.

### Second Reading:

*James 3.13-4.3, 7-8a*

<sup>13</sup>Who is wise and understanding among  
you? Show by your good life that your  
works are done with gentleness born of  
wisdom. <sup>14</sup>But if you have bitter envy and  
selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be  
boastful and false to the truth. <sup>15</sup>Such

wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. <sup>16</sup>For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. <sup>17</sup>But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. <sup>18</sup>And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

4 Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? <sup>2</sup>You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. <sup>3</sup>You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

<sup>7</sup>Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup>Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

### **Gradual:**

*O Thou Who Camest From Above (NEH 431)*

### **Gospel Reading:**

*Mark 9.30-37*

<sup>30</sup>They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; <sup>31</sup>for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' <sup>32</sup>But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

<sup>33</sup>Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' <sup>34</sup>But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup>He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be

first must be last of all and servant of all.’ <sup>36</sup>Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup>‘Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.’

**Offertory:**

*Jesus, The Very Thought Of Thee* (NEH 385)

**Communion Hymn:**

*O Thou Who At The Eucharist* (NEH 302)

**Post Communion Prayer:**

Lord, we pray that your grace  
may always precede and follow us,  
and make us continually to be given to all  
good works;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**Dismissal:**

*He Who Would Valiant Be* (NEH 372)

### **FUNERAL OF ALEX McLEAN**

*Thursday October 4, 12pm*

The funeral of Alex McLean, a longstanding member of the St Mary's congregation, will take place at St Mary's on Thursday, 4 October at 12pm.

### **FINANCE TEAM MEMBERS NEEDED**

We need more volunteers to help the Finance Team with the weekly count on Sundays and other associated duties. The commitment is not onerous, and you will be guided by the more experienced members of the team. If you are willing to help, please speak to one of the churchwardens, Pauline or JJ.

### **SAINSBURY'S LEGO CARDS**

Sainsbury's are giving away a small packet of LEGO cards for every £10 spent. Please collect them and donate to TSM – the children love them!

There is a box at the back of the pews.

Thank you. Penny Holloway

## **WEDNESDAY GROUP**

*Wednesday September 26, 1.15pm*

The next meeting of the Wednesday September 26 at 1.15pm, following the lunchtime Eucharist. We will be having a film afternoon.

## **THEOLOGICAL READING GROUP**

*Wednesday September 26, 7.30pm*

As part of our ongoing effort to encourage spiritual reflection here at St Mary's, a new theological reading group begins this autumn. The group will meet on the fourth Wednesday of each month, beginning on 26 September from 7.30-9pm. At our first session, we will discuss three stories in the collection *A Good Man is Hard to Find* by the American writer Flannery O'Connor. To learn more, please speak to either Paula Reynolds or the Vicar.

## **FAMILY SERVICE**

*Sunday September 30, 4.30pm*

This year's series of Family begins on Sunday September 30. This is a half-hour time for people of all ages to worship together informally.

This month we will have a Pet Blessing, so please feel free to bring any feathered, furred or finned friends with you as we remember the important part all God's creatures play in our lives. But do make sure they don't escape!

Speak to the Vicar or to Chris for more information.

## **CONCERT**

*Saturday October 6, 6pm*

Please note that this has changed and the performers will now be Yoanna Prodanova, Cellist, accompanied by Mihai Ritivoiu on piano will play sonatas by Shostakovich and Chopin.

## **CHRIS SERBUTT'S LICENSING**

*Sunday October 7, 6pm*

The big day is nearly here! Chris Serbutt will be licensed as a Lay Reader by the Bishop of Woolwich on Sunday, 7 October at 6pm in Southwark Cathedral. This will be a great occasion for the whole St Mary's community, as we celebrate Chris' ministry among us. Please mark your diary and join us for this important service.

## **HARVEST SUPPER**

*Saturday October 13, 7.30pm*

Our Harvest Supper is on Saturday October 13 at 7.30pm (for 8pm). There will be a four course supper and a pay bar - or bring your own. All welcome.

Tickets £7, from Diane.

## **BLACK HISTORY MONTH EUCHARIST AND WORKSHOPS**

*Saturday October 6*

Please note that as part of the Southwark Diocese's celebration of Black History Month, Bishop Karowei of Woolwich will preside at a special eucharist in the Cathedral at 10.30am on Saturday, 6 October. The preacher will be the Revd Preb Rose Hudson-Wilkin, Chaplain to the Speaker of the House of Commons and Priest Vicar of Westminster Abbey.

Following the service, workshops will run until 4pm, focusing on the theme '70/70 Vision, History, Story, Legacy – Windrush and Beyond'. Please contact the Vicar if you are interested in attending or would like to learn more.

## **Box On The High Road**

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During September we will be collecting for Mercy Ships, the largest charity-run hospital ship in the world delivering free, vital medical care to some of the world's poorest countries. A5 brochures are available at the back of the church.

If you have any questions please speak to Diane.

# Coming Up

## **Sunday 23 September** *Trinity 17*

8am Said Eucharist (BCP)  
10.30am Sung Eucharist  
6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP)

## **Monday 24 September**

8am Morning Prayer

## **Tuesday 25 September**

8am Morning Prayer  
7.45pm-9.15pm Confirmation Class (3)

## **Wednesday 26 September**

8am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Mary's Little Lambs  
12.30pm Said Eucharist  
1.15pm Wednesday Group  
7.30pm Theological Reading Group

## **Thursday 27 September**

8am Morning Prayer

## **Friday 28 September**

8am Morning Prayer

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## **Sunday 30 September**

4.30pm Family Service (Pet Blessing)

## **Saturday 6 October**

6pm Concert  
*(Yoanna Prodanova / Mihai Ritivoiu)*

## **Sunday 7 October**

6pm Licensing of Christopher Serbutt  
as Lay Reader  
*(at Southwark Cathedral)*

## **Saturday 13 October**

7.30pm Harvest Supper

## **Sunday 14 October**

10.30am Harvest Festival

## **Thursday 1 November**

tbc All Soul's Requiem

## **Sunday 4 November**

4.30pm Deanery Confirmation  
*(at St. Mary's)*

# Our Prayers This Week

## **Our world:**

- For all those trying to rebuild their lives after the violent weather which has affected many parts of the world

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

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