

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

Trinity 19

Sunday 7 October 2018



This Sunday

8am

President:

Said Eucharist (BCP)

Rev. Canon Bill Norman

10.30am

**Sung Eucharist
with baptism**

President:

Rev. Dr. Robert Tobin

Lay Deacon:

Nicky Morton

Preacher:

Rev. Eileen Serbutt

Readers:

Graeme Calf

Fiona McLees

Junior Church:

Moira Hodgson

Elisa Benjamin

Setting:

St. Thomas

OoS:

Eucharist with Baptism

Readings:

Genesis 2.18-24

Hebrews 1.1-4, 2.5-12

Mark 10.2-16

*Please note that there is no service of Evening
Prayer at St. Mary's today*

Collect, Hymns and Readings

Introit:

Jesus Shall Reign (NEH 388, 1st tune)

Collect:

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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:

Genesis 2.18-24

¹⁸Then the Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.' ¹⁹So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. ²¹So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said,

'This at last is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
this one shall be called Woman,
for out of Man this one was taken.'

²⁴Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

Second Reading:

Hebrews 1.1-4, 2.5-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds.³He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

⁵Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. ⁶But someone has testified somewhere,

‘What are human beings that you are mindful of them,

or mortals, that you care for them?

⁷You have made them for a little while lower than the angels;

you have crowned them with glory and honour,

⁸subjecting all things under their feet.’

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, ⁹but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honour because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹²saying,

‘I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters,

in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.’

Gradual:

O Perfect Love (NEH 320, 2nd tune)

Gospel Reading:

Mark 10.2-16

²Some Pharisees came, and to test him they asked, 'Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?' ³He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' ⁴They said, 'Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.' ⁵But Jesus said to them, 'Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, "God made them male and female." ⁷"For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh." So they are no longer two, but one flesh.⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.'

¹⁰Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹He said to them, 'Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.'

¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.' ¹⁶And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

Offertory:

Beyond All Mortal Praise (NEH 340)

Communion Hymn:

We Sing The Praise Of Him Who Died
(NEH 94)

Post Communion Prayer:

Holy and blessed God,
you have fed us with the body and blood of
your Son
and filled us with your Holy Spirit:
may we honour you,
not only with our lips
but in lives dedicated to the service
of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Dismissal:

Christ Is The World's True Light
(NEH 494, t. 413)

Church News

CHRIS SERBUTT'S LICENSING

Sunday October 7

The big day is here at last! Chris Serbutt will be licensed as a Lay Reader this evening in the Cathedral at a service beginning at 6pm. This will be a great occasion for all of us at St Mary's, as we celebrate Chris' ministry. We will greet Chris formally as our new Lay Reader here at St Mary's at the main service next week.

HARVEST SUPPER AND COLLECTION

Saturday & Sunday October 13-14

A final reminder that Harvest weekend is next week. If you'd like to join us for our Harvest Supper, which takes place on the evening of Saturday the 13th from 7.30pm, tickets are available for £7 from Diane Holmes. Then on Sunday the 14th, please remember to bring food items along for donation to Spires, which serves homeless and disadvantaged people in our area of south London. Copies of the list of particular items Spires would like to receive are at the back of church.

INDONESIA TSUNAMI APPEAL

Sunday October 14

As many of you will know, an earthquake that triggered a tsunami has devastated parts of Indonesia. Scores of people have died, and many more are struggling to secure shelter, clean water, and food. Next Sunday we will have a retiring collection on behalf of the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC), which is working with the UK Government to provide support for those in need. Please come prepared to donate towards this important cause.

ADDITIONAL PCC

Wednesday October 19, 7pm

There will be an additional PCC meeting on Wednesday October 19 at 7pm which will last no more than 30 minutes. Robert will be contacting PCC members with further details.

THE SERMON: UNPLUGGED

Wednesday October 19, 7.30pm

So what was that sermon all about? Maybe you have some ideas of your own.

Join us on the third Wednesday of (almost) every month at 7.30pm in the Narthex to find out more and have your say. All questions and comments welcome. The first session will be on Wednesday October 17, when we will be thinking about Sunday's readings from Joel, I Timothy and Matthew. For more information speak to Chris Serbutt.

PERFORMANCE POSTPONED

Saturday October 20

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the performance of the opera *Carmen* that was scheduled to take place here at St Mary's on Saturday, 20 October has been postponed until the new year. Bronwen Stephens sends her apologies about this, but want to assure everyone that the performance will indeed take place at a later date. Please do pass this information on to others. For updates, please see www.rogueopera.co.uk.

FUNDRAISE FOR ST MARY'S, BALHAM WHILE SHOPPING ONLINE

Please use the link below to sign up for the Easyfundraising scheme and select St Mary's, Balham as your favourite cause:

[www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/
WMHHE](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/WMHHE)

When you are ready to go shopping, first login to your easyfundraising account and then click through to the shop of your choice. After you have made your purchase, the retailer will make a donation to St Mary's, Balham and there is no cost to you. On behalf of the PCC, many thanks for your support. Anzo Francis

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

Box On The High Road

BARCELONA IRONMAN

Year 3 teacher, Pete Goddard, is taking part in the Barcelona Ironman competition today. He has to swim 3.8kms, bike 180kms and run 42kms within 15hrs 40mins.

All the sponsorship money raised is being donated to the school.

All donations can be sent to the school office.

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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 7 October *Trinity 19*

- 8am Said Eucharist (BCP)
10.30am Sung Eucharist *with baptisms*
6pm Licensing of Chris Serbutt as Lay
Reader (*Southwark Cathedral*)

Monday 8 October

- 8am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 9 October

- 8am Morning Prayer
7.45pm-9.15pm Confirmation Class (5)

Wednesday 10 October

- 8am Morning Prayer
9.30am Mary's Little Lambs
12.30pm Said Eucharist

Thursday 11 October

- 8am Morning Prayer

Friday 12 October

- 8am Morning Prayer
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Saturday 13 October

- 10am Ministry Team Meeting
11am Servers' Training
7.30pm Harvest Supper

Sunday 14 October *Harvest*

- 10.30am Harvest Festival (*Gifts to Spires*)
Tsunami Appeal

Wednesday 17 October

- 7pm Extra PCC meeting
7.30pm The Sermon Unplugged

Saturday 27 October

- 6pm Concert 'Emotionally Volatile'

Thursday 1 November

- 8pm All Soul's Requiem

Sunday 4 November

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

Sunday 11 November *Remembrance Day*

- 9am Parish Eucharist
10:45am Community Remembrance Service
6.30pm Service for All Souls'

Sunday 2 December *Advent Sunday*

- 6.30pm Advent Carol Service

Sunday 16 December

- 6.30pm Carols by Candlelight

Our Prayers This Week

Our church:

- For all the Lay Readers being licensed at Southwark Cathedral this evening

Our world:

- For all those affected by Tsunami in Indonesia and all those who are trying to help them

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

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