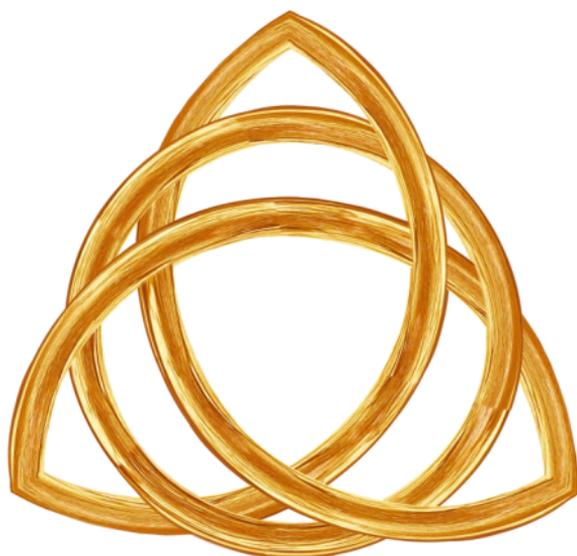
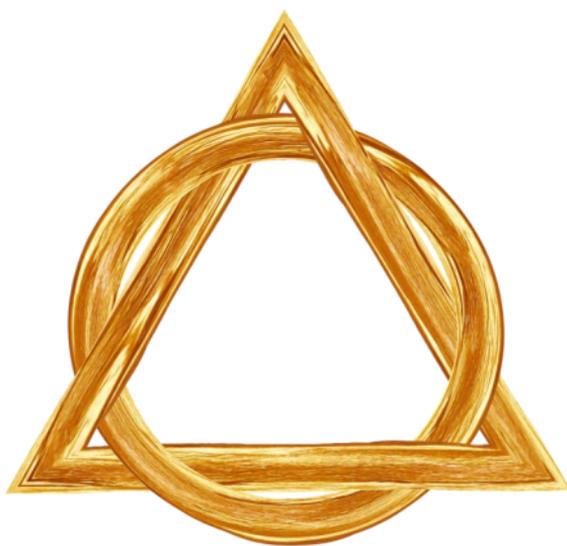


The Parish of St. Mary and St. John the Divine, Balham

Trinity Sunday

Sunday 27 May 2018



This Sunday

8am

President:

Said Eucharist (BCP)

Rev. Dr. Robert Tobin

10.30am

President:

Lay Deacon:

Preacher:

Readers:

Intercessor:

Setting:

OoS:

Readings:

Sung Festal Eucharist

Rev. Dr. Robert Tobin

Nicky Morton

Christopher Serbutt

Ann Watkins

Karen Barrett

Rose Harley

St. Thomas

Special

Isaiah 6.1-8

Romans 8.12-17

John 3.1-17

4.30pm

Officiants:

Family Service

Rev. Dr. Robert Tobin

Christopher Serbutt

6.30pm

Officiant:

Psalm(s):

Readings:

Evening Prayer

Rev. Dr. Robert Tobin

104.1-10

Ezekiel 1.4-10, 22-28a

Revelation 4

Collect, Hymns and Readings

Introit:

The God Of Abraham Praise
(NEH 148, omit *)

Collect:

Almighty and everlasting God,
you have given us your servants grace,
by the confession of a true faith,
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal
Trinity
and in the power of the divine majesty to
worship the Unity:
keep us steadfast in this faith,
that we may evermore be defended from all
adversities;
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:

Isaiah 6.1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³And one called to another and said:

‘Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.’

⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: ‘Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!’ ⁶Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: ‘Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.’ ⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?’ And I said, ‘Here am I; send me!’

Second Reading:

Romans 8.12-17

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh - ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ - if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Gradual:

Firmly I Believe And Truly (NEH 360)

Gospel Reading:

John 3.1-17

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' ³Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' ⁴Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' ⁵Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' ⁹Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' ¹⁰Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

¹¹Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Offertory:

I Bind Unto Myself Today ((NEH 159)

Communion Anthem:

Father We Have Broken The Bread

Communion Hymn:

Bright The Vision That Delighted
(NEH 343, omit v4)

Post Communion Prayer:

Almighty and eternal God,
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son
and Holy Spirit,
and live and reign in the perfect unity of
love:
hold us firm in this faith,
that we may know you in all your ways
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,
who are three Persons yet one God,
now and for ever.

Amen.

Dismissal:

Holy, Holy, Holy! (NEH 146)

A PRAYER FOR THE VICTIMS OF TERRORIST ATTACKS

Heavenly Father, Master of the universe,

We stand before You in prayer and supplication, stunned and shocked by the brutal and merciless atrocity committed in Manchester and at London Bridge - a heartless desecration of Your precious gift of life and an affront to the values of peace and democracy.

We mourn for those who were murdered and pray that You will grant consolation to their families in the depths of their grief. Send a speedy recovery to the injured and peace of mind to all who have been traumatised by this act of barbarity.

Help us, Almighty God, to promote reconciliation and respect between the faiths and their adherents in this land, so that we may live in peace and security, working together for the good of all.

May the love of unity, compassion, justice, peace and harmony prevail over the forces of darkness who use terror to achieve their perverted goals.

Grant us the resolve to live together under the tabernacle of Your peace, as it is written,

*“they shall beat their swords into plowshares
and their spears into pruning hooks...”*

Chief Rabbi Ephraim Mirvis

Church News

TREASURER AND DEANERY SYNOD VACANCY

After the retirement of Keith Mitchell as Treasurer at our recent APCM, we are now looking for someone to take on this important role. If this is something you'd like to consider doing, please see the Vicar or one of the churchwardens. We also now have a vacancy on Deanery Synod. Those interested in standing for this post should put their names on nominations list on the bulletin board at the back of church.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

If you work or volunteer in any position that needs safeguarding training, the CS 1 course is running at St. Alban's church, Streatham on Saturday June 9 from 10am to 1pm. To book your place please email the Area Dean, Rev. Sue Clarke, (semclarke@btinternet.com) direct or speak to Chris Serbutt.

FAMILY SERVICE

Sunday May 27, 4.30pm

Our next Family Service will take place on Sunday, 27 May from 4.30-5pm. This day being Trinity Sunday, we will learn about the way we understand God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The service will be followed by a brief craft activity. People of all ages are very welcome!

The next Family Service is on June 24.

WANTED: 'MYSTERY READERS' AT TSM!

The teachers at our church school, Trinity St Mary's, are looking for 'Mystery Readers' to come into the Nursery and Reception classes to read their favourite picture books to the children. (If you don't have a favourite, you can choose from the selection at TSM!) Slots are available on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons throughout the rest of Summer Term, so please see the Vicar if you would like to take part.

GIFTINGS DAY

For various reasons, it has become necessary to postpone the 'Giftings Day' scheduled for the afternoon of Saturday, 2 June. This programme is an important next step in our MAP process, and we want to make sure that as many members of the St Mary's community are able to participate in it. To that end, it has been rescheduled for the afternoon Saturday, 1 September. Please put this date in your diary. If you would like to talk over where the MAP process has got to so far, please see Mike Mullins after today's service.

LOVE BALHAM' SUPPER & PRAYER

Tuesday June 5 and Saturday 9 June

As part of our preparations for the 'Love Balham' service day taking place on 9 June, members of St Mary's and the Church of the Ascension will gather for supper and prayer on Tuesday, 5 June at 7.30pm in the Narthex. This promises to be a good opportunity to meet some of our neighbours from Balham Hill and to seek God's blessing on our shared venture. Please see Paula Reynolds if you'd like to attend.

TSM SUMMER FAYRE

Saturday June 30 12.30 - 4.30

As a second entrance we will be serving tea and cakes in the Oasis Garden. We will need cake makers and sellers on the day. Please speak to Diane.

Also, the school would like visitors to have access to the church so we will need 'church sitters' or 'guides'.

Please speak to JJ.

CAR PARKING SPACE

We will have a car parking space available at £42.50 per month from 1 June. Please contact the Lettings Officer for more information.

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.

11:00am - 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

Box On The High Road

BOX ON THE HIGH ROAD

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 27 May *Trinity Sunday*

8am Said Eucharist (BCP)
10.30am Sung Festal Eucharist
4.30pm Family Service
6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP)

Monday 28 May

8am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 29 May

8am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 30 May

8am Morning Prayer
12.30pm Said Eucharist

Thursday 31 May

8am Morning Prayer

Friday 1 June

8am Morning Prayer

Saturday 2 June

9.30am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 5 June

7.30pm Love Balham Supper and Prayer

Saturday 9 June

tbc Love Balham
10am Safeguarding Training
(at St. Alban's Streatham)

Saturday 23 June

8am St. Alban's Pilgrimage

Sunday 24 June

4pm Family Service

Wednesday 27 June

1pm Wednesday Group

Saturday 30 June

12.30pm TSM Summer Fayre

Saturday 11 August

2pm Family Ballet Afternoon

Saturday 1 September

tbc Giftings Day

Our Prayers This Week

Our world:

- For those who are remembering shock, pain and loss caused by the Grenfell Tower fire, the Manchester Arena bombing and the London Bridge attack

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

Contact Details

Parish Priest:

The Revd. Dr. Robert Tobin

T: 0208 673 1188

E: vicar@stmarybalham.org.uk

Assistant Priests:

The Revd. Eileen Serbutt

T: 0208 767 8383

E: eileen.serbutt@btinternet.com

The Revd. Canon Bill Norman

SPA:

Daphne Clarke

Churchwardens:

Pauline Lacey

T: 0207 801 9281

Janet Jones

E: churchwardens@stmarybalham.org.uk

Director of Music:

Paul Swinden

Administrator:

T: 0208 675 3278

E: administrator@stmarybalham.org.uk

Office Hours:

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9-12

Saturday 10-12

Lettings Officer:

Anzo Francis

E: administrator@stmarybalham.org.uk

Website:

www.stmarybalham.org.uk

Twitter: @balhamvicar

Pew sheet:

For pew sheet notices, to receive an electronic copy of the pew sheet or to be removed from the mailing list, please email: christopher.serbutt@btinternet.com