

The Parish Church of All Saints

20 May - Sunday after Ascension Day

You are very welcome to All Saints this morning for this sung Eucharist (Holy Communion). Children are very welcome here and, if they want to, they can take part in the children's activities that happen behind the altar at the east end of the church and in the small chapel nearby.

Children leave after the first hymn and return for the Communion.

At certain times in the service the choir sings on behalf of the congregation; this allows us to think more deeply about our relationship with God in our lives, through meditating on the words and music chosen for the day. The words that they sing can be found either in the service book or later in this sheet. Today the mass setting is **Missa brevis (Dove)**.

The service starts on page 1 of the cream booklet.

The opening hymn is 130 (first tune, omit*).

We say together the collect - the special prayer for this Sunday:

***O God the King of glory,
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us
and exalt us to the place
where our Saviour Christ is gone before,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen***

The reading from the Old Testament today is **Ezekiel 36:24-28**; which is then followed by the reading from the New Testament, **Acts 1:15-17, 21-end**.

The **Gradual Hymn is 342 (to the tune of 178)** after which we remain standing and turn to face the centre of the church from where the Gospel is read.

Today's Gospel is **John 17:6-19** - the text is on the back of this pewsheet.

The preacher today is Sandy Cragg, a priest in our Ministry Team.

After the sermon we stand to say together the Creed, which begins on page 4 of the cream booklet.

After the Peace we sing the **Offertory Hymn 296 (first tune)** during which a collection is taken for the work of the church, and the bread and wine for the Eucharist are brought to the altar.

The service continues with the Preparation of the Table on page 7 of the cream booklet.

While the congregation comes forward to receive Holy Communion the choir will sing the motet **Coelos ascendit hodie (Stanford)**.

Coelos ascendit hodie
Jesus Christus Rex Gloriam:
Sedet ad Patris dexteram,
Gubernat coelum et terram.
Iam finem habent omnia
Patris Davidis carmina.
Iam Dominus cum Domino
Sedet in Dei solio:
In hoc triumpho maximo
Benedicamus Domino.
Laudetur Sancta Trinitas,
Deo dicamus gratias,
Alleluia. Amen.

Today Jesus Christ the King of
Glory,
has ascended into the heavens:
He sits at the Father's right hand,
Ruling heaven and earth.
Now are David's songs fulfilled.
Now is the Lord with his Lord,
He sits upon the royal throne of
God
In this His greatest triumph.
Let us bless the Lord.
Let the Holy Trinity be praised,
Let us give thanks to the Lord,
Alleluia! Amen.

After Communion the Priest will say:

*Eternal God, giver of love and power,
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:
confirm us in this mission,
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen*

The Final Hymn is 443.

The organ voluntary is **Fantasia on Komm, heiliger Geist (Bach)**.

After the service, refreshments are served in the East end of the Church. Please feel very welcome to stay and enjoy, and if you have not been to the church before, please do introduce yourself to one of the clergy or churchwardens - we'd love to meet you.

This sheet is for you to take home.

Please keep your belongings with you at all times.



NOTICES AND NEWS

Upcoming dates

- 26 May Gala dinner dance and auction for ASK
5 June Jubilee party on the All Saints Lawn
9 June Rock Choir concert in aid of our Appeal

26 May ASK Gala auction

Tickets for the evening have now sold out but you can still register register bids by proxy for the fantastic auction lots – check out the catalogue in church or on the website. The lots are truly lovely, with several opportunities that money just can't buy, so pass on the news to your friends and family.

The silent auction is running now until midnight on Sunday 27 May – give your bid to Keith by phone, post or email. The current highest bid for each lot is on the website, updated daily.

Don't forget your cake tin!

We have a number of cake tins on the tea cupboard from the May Merrie baking extravaganza.

Rock Choir sings for the Appeal 9 June

The Rock Choir entertains us every year after our Christmas community carol service, so we know our feet will be tapping at this concert which they're kindly doing for our Appeal. Gospel, pop, rock – all sorts of music, do come along. Further details will be announced shortly. We'd be very grateful for offers of help stewarding and manning the bar on the night – please let Jonathan or Keith know.

Could you help set up for Sunday mornings?

Please speak to Jonathan if you might be able to help set up the altar and prepare what's needed for the service on Sunday mornings.

Would you like to read or lead intercessions?

Please let Jonathan or Liz Hann if you'd like to join the team.

Lent Appeal

Very many thanks to everyone who filled jamjars with change – we collected £500 for WaterAid and Christian Aid.

Urgent appeal to sign a petition about VAT on church repairs

Please sign this petition if you haven't already done so, protesting about government plans to introduce VAT on approved repairs to listed church buildings – just go to:

<http://epetitions.direct.gov.uk/petitions/32229>

If this goes ahead, it will add £450,000 to our development costs.

Or pick up one of the sample letters by the doors, to sign and send to your local MP, or write to David Roberts HMRC VAT Projects Team, 3C/10, 100 Parliament Street, London, SW1A 2BQ.

Don't forget the ASK 100 Club – pick up a leaflet

A chance every month to win £100 in the draw while raising funds for our development appeal. But you have to be in it to win it!

Offers of lots for our auction – hold that thought!

We were delighted and grateful for offers of lots for the auction. Some came in too late to be included, or didn't quite fit this particular event, but we have another slightly different auction event in mind for later in the year. So thank you very much, and please look out for more information later on.

Guy Harrison Memorial Service 24 May 11 am

Guy's widow, Jacqueline, warmly invites all who knew Guy at All Saints to his Memorial Service at **St Margaret Church Lothbury** in the City, and to the reception (12 – 2 pm) afterwards at the Chartered Institute of Accountants, 1 Moorgate Place London.

Tues 5th June Jubilee party on our lawns

Olympic cycling 28th and 29th July

There will be all sorts of celebrations going on in town those days, and our contribution will be a kind of street party but on our lawns, with all kinds of food. We'd love some help – please let Jonathan or Penny know.

Evensong here at 6 pm this evening with Clucas Responses, Sumsion in A and God is gone up (Finzi).

Readings for 27 May

9.30 am Ezekiel 37:1-14; Acts 2:1-21;

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

6.00 pm Ezekiel 36:22-28; Acts 2:22-38

Weekday Communion Services: Tuesday 12.30pm;

Wednesday 1.10pm (both Common Worship); Thursday 10.30am (BCP).

Silent Prayer is kept in the chapel on Fridays at 12.30 pm

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MAY

27th Pentecost Service followed by Table Top Sale in St John's Parish Hall 11-1pm

JUNE

2nd Diamond Jubilee Street Party 12-6pm
5th PCC meeting 7.30pm
16th Big Sing United Reformed Church 2-4pm
18th Confirmation Service at the URC

LITTLE GROOVERS will not meet on 22nd May due to University examinations held in the church.

SUPPORT BARBARA AND JIM DUFFY!

Barbara and Jim set off today to cycle 370 miles from Portsmouth, arriving in Dunkirk on 26th May, to raise money and awareness for "Help for Heroes. So far Barbara and Jim have raised just over £10,000 for H4H and this year hope to reach £15,000. Please help them achieve their goal by signing up on the sheet at the back of the church, or go to the link for sponsoring www.bmycharity.com. We wish them well.



BIG SING: SATURDAY 16th JUNE 2-4 at the UNITED REFORMED CHURCH in EDEN STREET:

Come and join with others to sing some favourite songs from the Iona Community and around the world. No great musical skill required, just a love of singing. The afternoon will be led by Alison Adam a musician from the Iona Community. There will be an interval with home-baked refreshments. No entrance fee but a collection will be taken for Christian Aid. More info from Isobel Tel: 2028546 5931 dbr226@hotmail.com

Isobel writes" a big thankyou to all who collected or contributed to Christian Aid during the past week. Please return proceeds from house-to-house collection to me or Tony as soon as possible. There will be envelopes at the back of church for anyone who would like to make a donation and hasn't yet had an opportunity.



During Lent Bishop Christopher invited us to reflect on the core values of Faith Hope and Love with the opportunity to make a personal response. You're encouraged to bring your response card to church next week and place it in the offertory bag.

Urgent! Please sign a petition to protest against the plan to introduce VAT on repairs to listed church buildings. An additional 20% will *seriously* affect plans for the redevelopment of St John's. Go to

**<http://epetitions.direct.gov.uk/petitions/33229>
Please do this as soon as you can!**



Sunday 27th May, 11-1pm

**St Johns Parish Hall
Grove Lane
Kingston upon Thames**

50p entrance

**toys plants refreshments
clothes cakes**

All proceeds going towards the St John's Regeneration Fund



YOU CAN STILL OFFER HELP with this great fundraiser, a joint effort by the church and the SGRA. We're hoping for warm dry weather and a lovely afternoon. Do an hour on the cake stall or the BBQ? Or for a quieter time, could you offer to keep an eye on the church for an hour....See Pat, Mimi or Caroline or drop one of us an e mail. Many thanks.

THE READINGS

Ezekiel 36:24-28

I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

Acts 1:15-17; 21-end

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, 'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.'

So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.' So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.' And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

John 17:6-19

I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.