

## IN OUR DAILY PRAYERS

### From the Epistle to the Colossians

*He is the image of the invisible God, the first-born of all creation; for in him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or authorities - all things were created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.*

**PRAY FOR** the unity of the Anglican Communion and for the Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams; for Richard our Bishop and the Area Bishops in London; for The Deanery of St Margaret's (Westminster); for this parish of St Paul and all who dwell and work here; for our sister parish of St Paul's K Street, Washington;

### THOSE TO BE MARRIED

George Idicula and Sophie Woodward; Gavin Kelly and Simone Sigouin.

### THE SICK & THOSE IN NEED

John McGinty; Rene Gatiss; Alex Bridgman; Mary Ann Brashler; Dorothy Jones; Kitty Baxter; Clariette Wilmot; Chantal Patel; Dominique Murray; Vivian Greblo; Monika Stephanopoli; Penri Morgan; James Bedford; Simon Murphy; Michael Taylor; Thomas Keatley; Kathleen Phillips.

### THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Roma Haddock; Ralph Dunstan; Maureen Ford; Anne Waterfall; Patrick Penny; Graheme East.

### ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH

Valerie Middleton; Ian Thompson, priest; Esme MacDonald; Sarah Hoexter; Harold Loasby, priest; Patrick Hackett; Rose Macaulay; Patricia Clarke.

All names will be included on lists for the clergy to pray for day by day for as long as people wish us to pray for them, but on the Weekly Sheet names will be removed after two weeks. We would be very grateful if people could keep us informed about those for whom we pray.

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A priest is available before or after the daily Eucharist for confession and spiritual guidance, and also by appointment. If you would like to meet with the clergy, please ring the parish office to make a weekday appointment. A member of the parish clergy is always available in pastoral emergencies and we will be glad to be contacted at whatever hour, seven days a week; however, as a general rule Fr Alan is unavailable on Fridays and Fr Richard on Tuesdays.

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# ST PAUL'S KNIGHTSBRIDGE

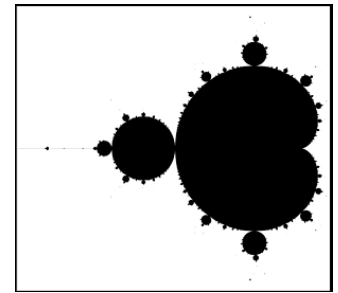


THE WEEKLY SHEET October 24<sup>th</sup> –30<sup>th</sup> 2010

### Z1+1=(Z^2)+C ...

The death was announced this week of the great mathematician Benoit Mandelbrot. His name, like Pythagoras' and Fermat's, is attached to his most famous discovery, Mandelbrot sets. The thing that looks like an inkblot, illustrated below, is one of them. You may well have seen one without realising that you were, for they have appeared, in one form or another, on everything from ravers' t-shirts to Star Trek II. They are derived from Mandelbrot's celebrated endeavours in the field of complex geometry, or as he

coined it fractal geometry, which revealed a previously unnoticed patterning which underlies even the most random phenomena, like the formation of coastlines or the shapes of clouds. Take, for example, the humble cauliflower: if you look at a floret thereof you will notice that it is in turn made up of lots of littler florets, and should you examine them with a



magnifying glass these too are made up of yet smaller florets. It seems that its complex shape can be broken down into the same repeating pattern regenerating level by level. You can see the same process at work in ferns, or snowflakes, or even in the pattern left by a lightning strike. It is an idea that seems to have appealed to graphic designers as much as to mathematicians, hence the t-shirts and the album covers and the techno animations; but it has also provoked quite a bit of interest among theologians. A pattern emerges from seemingly random natural phenomena; of course theologians are going to be interested in that, not least because they have been proclaiming the logos, God's ordering principle, at work in the processes of nature since the beginning of the book of Genesis. Maybe it also opens up possibilities for a new conversation between the fields of theology and science? I wouldn't want to get too previous about this, because in the past some theologians have been too quick to fall on scraps thrown from science's table, as if God could only be accommodated in the gaps scientific ignorance leaves unfilled. Theologians and scientists have for so long been speaking different languages that they all but live in different worlds, the former in a world of obscure mystery, the latter in a world governed by nature's knowable laws. Or course, even without the discoveries of Mandelbrot and other scientists working in fields of high complexity, science has always been mysterious and theology scientific; but Mandelbrot's legacy may be to have restored some intelligibility to that awkward, stilted, but fascinating conversation.

Fr Richard Coles, *Curate*

## SERVICES & EVENTS THIS WEEK

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| <b>Sunday</b><br>24 <sup>th</sup> October    | 9 a.m.<br>11 a.m.<br>6 p.m.   | <b>Family Mass</b><br><b>Solemn Mass</b><br><b>Evening Prayer</b>   |
| <b>Monday</b><br>25 <sup>th</sup> October    | 9 a.m.<br>6 p.m.              | Morning Prayer<br>Low Mass  |
| <b>Tuesday</b><br>26 <sup>th</sup> October   | 9 a.m.<br>6 p.m.              | Morning Prayer<br>Low Mass  |
| <b>Wednesday</b><br>27 <sup>th</sup> October | 9 a.m.<br>6.45 p.m.<br>8 p.m. | Morning Prayer<br><b>Wednesday Evening Service</b><br>followed by refreshments<br><b>Before the Ending of the Day</b><br>and Compline |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>28 <sup>th</sup> October  | 9 a.m.<br>6 p.m.              | Morning Prayer<br>Low Mass  |
| <b>Friday</b><br>29 <sup>th</sup> October    | 9 a.m.<br>6 p.m.              | Morning Prayer<br>Low Mass  |
| <b>Saturday</b><br>30 <sup>th</sup> October  | 9 a.m.<br>Noon                | Morning Prayer<br>Low Mass  |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>31 <sup>st</sup> October    | 9 a.m.<br>11 a.m.<br>6 p.m.   | <b>Family Mass</b><br><b>Solemn Mass</b><br><b>Evening Prayer</b>   |

**St Paul's Knightsbridge maintains a tradition of daily prayer and a daily mass, with clergy available each day for conversation and counsel. However, our main focuses are Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. You will be very welcome. The church is open for prayer from 09:00 till after the evening service.**

## BEFORE THE ENDING OF THE DAY

If you are looking for an opportunity for some silence, reflection and prayer you might like to join us after the Wednesday Evening Service here at St Paul's Knightsbridge for a short period of guided prayer followed by the ancient Office of Compline. 8 to 8.30 p.m. every Wednesday.

## JUMBLE SALE

May thanks to Nikki Bartman and all who contributed to the jumble sale which took place yesterday in the Parish Hall. We hope to announce the total raised at this morning's Mass.

## PARISH HARVEST SUPPER AND CONCERT

Many thanks to Nikki again, all her team and all those who performed for the Parish Harvest Supper and Concert which proved so enticing that a passer-by couldn't resist peering in to what all the jollity was about. It was the billionaire Bill Gates. Only in Knightsbridge...

## POETRY AND ARTS

The next Poetry & Arts Meeting will take place on Saturday the 30th October in SW10 at 7pm for 7.30pm. The subject will be "George Orwell – his life and work", presented by Ronald Bartle. Please telephone 020 7736 1480 before the preceding Thursday (28th October) if you wish to attend, and also confirm the precise address.

## ST MARTIN IN THE FIELDS

The remaining sessions in St Martin in the Fields' Autumn Education Programme for 2010, entitled "And the Word became flesh and lived among us" are scheduled for Mondays 8<sup>th</sup> November and 22<sup>nd</sup> November in St Martin-in-the-Fields Church, Trafalgar Square from 7.00pm-8.30pm. The events are free, unticketed, and all are welcome. For further information please email [richard.carter@smitf.org](mailto:richard.carter@smitf.org) or contact the Parish Office on 020 7766 1100 [www.smitf.org](http://www.smitf.org)

## FRESH EXPRESSIONS

'For the Parish - a critique of fresh expressions'. A new book by Andrew Davison & Alison Milbank is the subject of a panel discussion chaired by the Revd David Tomlinson, and followed by a drinks reception on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October at St Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, London EC2V 6AU at 6 pm. There is no charge, and telephone enquiries may be made to 020 7248 5139 or via email to [matthewpower@stmarylebow.org.uk](mailto:matthewpower@stmarylebow.org.uk)

## MASS INTENTIONS & PSALM RESPONSES

24<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> October 2010

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>: FESTIVAL OF DEDICATION** White

*Pray for St Paul's Knightsbridge*

Psalm: *I was glad when you said to me,  
'Let us go to the house of the Lord'.*

Gospel reading: John 2: 13-22

**Mon 25<sup>th</sup>: (Week 30)** Green

*Pray for those in the footwear and leather trades*

Psalm: *The Lord knows the way of the righteous*

Gospel reading: Luke 10: 1-9

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>: Alfred, king and scholar 899** White

*Pray for the Diocese of Winchester*

Psalm (in EH p461): *Be exalted, O Lord, in your might;*

Gospel reading (in EH p461): John 18.33-37

**Weds 27<sup>th</sup>:** Green

*Pray for perseverance*

Psalm: *The Lord is righteous in all his ways  
and loving in all his works*

Gospel reading: Luke 13: 22-30

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>: SIMON & JUDE, APOSTLES** Red

*Pray for the Community and College of the Resurrection*

Psalm (in EH p464): *I am laying in Zion a foundation stone, says God*

Gospel reading (in EH p465): John 15.17-end

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup>: James Hannington, bishop, martyr, 1885** Red

*Pray for the Anglican Church in Africa*

Psalm (in EH p467): *Do not fear, for I am with you, says God,*

Gospel reading (in EH p468): Matthew 10.28-39

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>: feria of the B. V. Mary** White

*Pray for the gift of humility*

Psalm: *As the deer longs for the water brooks  
so longs my soul for you, O God.*

Gospel reading: Luke 13: 1-9

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