

IN OUR DAILY PRAYERS

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

Tessa Murphy; John McGinty; Rene Gatiss; Alex Bridgman; Mary Ann Brashler; Dorothy Jones; Kitty Baxter; Clariette Wilmot; Dominique Murray; Vivian Greblo; Monika Stephanopoli; Penri Morgan; Simon Murphy; Michael Taylor; Thomas Keatley; Kathleen Phillips; Bernadette O'Brien; Gert Van Der Geer; Till & Stephanie Becker

THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Grahame East; Roger Holloway.

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH

Gordon Fenwick; Nora Powell; Felicity Millais; Sally Windham; Charlie Green; Kerry St Johnston; Terry H Stanford.

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.

Are you spending Christmas at home this year? Would you consider including an international student from a university in the UK in your plans? There are so many students here from China, India, and many other countries, who are unable to go back at Christmas. They would love to spend two or three days in a real home, rather than an empty hall of residence. Your link with a student will be arranged by one of HOST's voluntary regional organisers, who do their best to match hosts and guests who will enjoy one another's company. HOST is a long-established national charity, founded by the British Council. Every HOST visit, whether for Christmas or for a weekend during the year, is a one-off, although sometimes lasting friendships are formed. The cultural exchange, and the contribution to international goodwill, are what makes it all worthwhile. If you would like to know more about volunteering as a host, please see www.hostuk.org or call HOST on 020 7739 6292.

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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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THE WEEKLY SHEET

November 7th – 14th 21

Like a pelican in the wilderness...

Paul Hobson – the Sheffield-based wildlife photographer – was a category winner in the GDT European Wildlife Photographer of the Year awards, announced this week. 'category? 'Man and Nature' – and the winning shot, at first glance an urban traffic-scape shot by night, devoid of wildlife. But "spot the birdie"... yes, there, see it? Bathed in amber light.

It is technically a clever photo – but it is also a poignant or speaking (depending on whether you are a glass-half-full or empty person) of resilience and adaptability, or of alienation. A blackbird in the city... It makes *me* think of



Psalm 102 with its anguished reference to 'pelican in the wilderness'. Last Saturday – having an unexpected gap in the diary – I went

along to a meditation workshop and spent five hours with group of eight others deep in guided meditation... and stumbled anew upon astonishing space in what feels, at that moment, like a rather too full a life! Silence, space, room to think – and to pray – which has borne fruit all week and kept me – almost! – sane. I enjoyed it, but it has made me aware of just what an inhospitable, noisy place the city is for a person of faith... perhaps for people, full stop!

Early November upon us – and the madness of December and the secular Christmas season ahead: time, possibly, to make some end of year resolutions about how we plan to sustain our humanity and our spiritual lives in the weeks ahead. You may like to know that throughout December the church is being kept clear of bookings on Wednesdays – a day – with the regular quiet Wednesday evening service at 6.45pm. A space – amidst the bustle – to come and perch and reconnect with life in the busy city.

Fr Alan Gyle, Vicar

SERVICES & EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday 7th November 9 a.m. **Family Mass**
11 a.m. **Solemn Mass**
1 p.m. **Parish Lunch**
6 p.m. **Evening Prayer**

Monday 8th November 9 a.m. Morning Prayer
6 p.m. Low Mass

Tuesday 9th November 9 a.m. Morning Prayer
6 p.m. Low Mass
7.00 p.m. PCC Meeting

Wednesday 10th November 9 a.m. Morning Prayer
6.45 p.m. **Wednesday Evening Service**
followed by refreshments

Thursday 11th November 9 a.m. Morning Prayer
6 p.m. Low Mass

Friday 12th November 9 a.m. Morning Prayer
6 p.m. Low Mass

Saturday 13th November 9 a.m. Morning Prayer
Noon Low Mass

Sunday 14th November 9 a.m. **Family Mass**
Remembrance Sunday 10.55 a.m. **Solemn Mass**
6 p.m. **Evening Prayer**

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.

PARISH LUNCH

Don't forget Parish Lunch this Sunday, 7th November, after Mass, in the Parish Hall at 77 Kinnerton St. Do sign up in the blue book at the back of church if you would like to come (suggested donation of £8.00). Our *Chef du Jour* is Iago Griffith, leading a very strong team in the kitchen. He celebrates that day the anniversary of his confirmation. Deo gracias!

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Don't forget Sunday November 14th, is Remembrance Sunday and Solemn Mass will begin at 10.55 instead of 11.00 in order to observe the two minutes silence.

FOUNDATION CAROL SERVICE

Tickets are on sale for the Foundation Carol Service which will take place at 7 p.m. on Tuesday December 7th here at St Paul's Knightsbridge. Sir Terry Wogan leads our readers again this year and a Christmas Fair, a visit from Father Christmas, and the lighting of the tree in Wilton Place, will follow. Tickets are £50 for adults, £25 for children with all proceeds going to the Knightsbridge Foundation.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Christmas cards will be on sale at the back of church from Remembrance Sunday, November 14th, as usual.

NEW COMMONWEALTH VOICES

New Commonwealth Voices is a vibrant young choir. It was founded in 2010 by British conductor, Joy Hill and is run in association with the Royal Commonwealth Society. The President of the choir is Archbishop Desmond Tutu. On 15 December the choir will be performing at the Commonwealth Carol Service in St Martins-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square. The choir is recruiting new members with ties to Commonwealth member states. Rehearsals will then take place on alternate Wednesday evenings (venue to be confirmed). Subscriptions for one term cost £45 /concessions £25. If you are interested in attending a group audition for the choir, or in receiving further information please contact Joy Hill by e: newcommonwealthvoices@hotmail.co.uk

SHRINKING THE FOOTPRINT

St Paul's Shadwell provides the venue for this milestone event, marking progress of our diocesan Shrinking the Footprint campaign to help care for our environment and God's creation. **Resourcing the Challenge** will be taking place on Tuesday 23 November 2010, from 5:30 – 7:30 pm, in St Paul's Church, the Highway, Shadwell, London E1, by kind invitation of the Rector. Everyone is welcome, from the Diocese and parishes, their spouses and partners, colleagues and guests. A half-hour presentation by a line-up of speakers will outline plans for saving energy and raising finance for solar panels. The acclaimed installation of integral solar tiles at St Silas Pentonville will be showcased. For more information and to register to attend e: brian.cuthbertson@london.anglican.org.

PCC

The PCC Meets this Tuesday evening at 7.00pm in the Hall.

MASS INTENTIONS & PSALM RESPONSES

7th November – 13th November 2010

Sunday 7th: 3rd Sunday before Advent Gre

Pray for
Psalm: *You open wide your hand, O Lord
And satisfy our need*
Gospel reading: Luke 20: 27-

Mon 8th November: Saints 7 Martyrs of England Wh

Pray for
Psalm: *The earth is the Lord's, and all who dwell there*
Gospel reading: John 17: 18-

Tuesday 9th: Margery Kempe, mystic, c.1440 Gre

Pray for
Psalm: *The mouth of the righteous utters wisdom
(and their tongue speaks what is right)*
Gospel reading: Luke 17: 7-

Weds 10th: Leo the Great, bishop Wh

Pray for
Psalm: *I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever*
Gospel reading: Luke 17: 11-

Thursday 11th: Martin, bishop Wh

Pray for
Psalm: *The Lord shall reign for ever
(your God, O Zion, throughout all generations)*
Gospel reading: Luke 17: 20-

Friday 12th: feria Gre

Pray for
Psalm: *Blessed are those who walk in the law of the Lord*
Gospel reading: Luke 17: 26-e

Saturday 13th: Charles Simeon, priest c.1836 Wh

Pray for
Psalm: *Blessed are those who delight in the commandments of the Lord*
Gospel reading: Luke 18: 1

Mailchimp, our new email distribution system is up and running – but if we don't have your email address we can't help you to connect 'virtually' with our life and keep you up to date. If you're not on our list, fill in a yellow slip and either pop it into the collection plate or hand it to us after the service.

