



22 SEPTEMBER 2013: TRINITY 17

EQUINOX: THE TURNING OF THE SEASONS

We've been finding it hard to admit that after a 'real' summer (the first for many years), the plunge



in temperatures this past week and days of torrential rain mark end end of all things bright and balmy and a return to something chillier and more British! But as of today it is official: September 22nd 2013 marks the official Autumn Equinox (that day when, due to the circling of planets, night and day are about the same length – from the Latin words *aequus* (equal) and *nox* (night)), marking the end of summer and the start of Autumn. The 'harvest moon' you can scarcely have failed to notice signals that 'all is safely gathered in' and we can turn ourselves to the serious business of Autumn activities and preparation for winter.

When better – then – than now to pick up a copy of the new Parish Christian Formation Programme and to contemplate the rich feast of events and activities planned for the coming months? There is – between worship in varied styles, prayer events, visits and pilgrimages, study groups, fellowship groups, healing masses and social events – something for everybody: most of it free at point of delivery (!) and all of it of the highest quality. I look forward to seeing you at St Paul's soon.

Fr Alan Gyle

AT A GLANCE...

WHAT'S ON AT ST PAUL'S KNIGHTSBRIDGE IN THE NEXT FORTNIGHT

SEPTEMBER 2013

22 Sun	09:00 Family Mass 11:00 High Mass
23 Mon	09:00 Morning Prayer 18:00 Low Mass
24 Tue	07:30 Centering Prayer 09:00 Morning Prayer 18:00 Low Mass
25 Wed	09:00 Morning Prayer 18:45 Evening Mass
26 Thu	09:00 Morning Prayer 18:00 Low Mass
27 Fri	09:00 Morning Prayer 18:00 Low Mass
28 Sat	09:00 Morning Prayer 10:00 Stewardship Training Noon Low Mass
29 Sun	09:00 Family Mass 11:00 High Mass
30 Mon	09:00 Morning Prayer

OCTOBER 2013

1 Tue	07:30 Centering Prayer 09:00 Morning Prayer 18:00 Low Mass 18:30 Marrieds Group
2 Wed	09:00 Morning Prayer 18:45 PILGRIMS IN CHRIST
3 Thu	09:00 Morning Prayer 18:00 Low Mass
4 Fri	09:00 Morning Prayer 18:00 Low Mass
5 Sat	09:00 Morning Prayer 10:00 Stewardship Training
6 Sun	09:00 Family Mass 11:00 High Mass 13:00 Parish Lunch
7 Mon	09:00 Morning Prayer 18:00 Healing Mass

TUESDAY MORNING MEDITATION

Please join us for a new initiative on **Tuesday mornings at 07:30** in St Paul's – a short period of guided centering prayer to start the day. Led by Aidan Hawkes, we are 'trialing' this new activity for an initial period of six weeks, and our hope is that it may – in time – become a valued point of stillness in the week for early-morning commuters and local residents.

CENTERING PRAYER WORKSHOP

Please also In addition, on **Saturday 12th October, 9.00a.m. to 12.00 Noon**, Jill Benet, Coordinator for Contemplative Outreach London, will lead us in the techniques of Centering Prayer and the opportunity to clarify any questions. This is a wonderful opportunity for those inside and outside our congregation to deepen their prayer lives. Please do consider attending and please take flyers to spread the word and invite your friends, colleagues and neighbours. Please do so especially if you know people who live or work within striking distance of the church!

結婚 地 KEKKONJI: THE 'RECENTLY AND SOON-TO-BE' MARRIED'S GROUP

The KEKKONJI group for recently-and-soon-to-be-marrieds meets on **Tuesday 1st October** for drinks at 18:30 after mass (at 18:00) and then for a discussion on 'Marriage and Community'.

PILGRIMS IN CHRIST – NEW SERIES

The first in the new series of Mini series on Wednesday evenings following the 6.45p.m. Mass will begin on the first **Wednesday of October, 2 October**. The usual format of Mass, followed by drinks and then the class in the Choir Vestry 7.45 to 8.30p.m. This year's overall theme is "Pilgrims in Christ" and it offers an opportunity for a return to the basics of Christianity and so an opportunity for curious seekers as well as a refresher course for those already committed to the faith. Part One will run for four weeks:

"Telling the Story" of the Church, the bible and of Jesus. A wonderful evening of worship, fellowship and formation - the SPKB answer to the Alpha Course!

THE KNIGHTSBRIDGE SOIREES

Another new initiative beginning next month are what we have called the "Knightsbridge Soirees". We shall gather at the homes of parishioners who live near the church after the 6p.m. Mass at about 7p.m. on the third Thursdays of the month for a variety of offerings under our overall theme of "Pilgrimage". The first evening on **Thursday, 17 October** will be a 'movie night' and we shall gather for simple refreshments, watch the film "The Way" starring a powerful performance by Martin Sheen – a story of pilgrimage and inner journeys, followed by brief discussion. If you would like to join us please let Fr. Andrew Sloane know so we can plan the venue and also let you know where that will be.

ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS – diary notes

Please note that on **All Souls' Day, Saturday 2nd November 2013 at noon** there will be a requiem mass in St Paul's – at which we will remember all our departed loved ones by name and past members of this community. **All Saints' Day is transferred to Sunday 3rd November 2013**, as is our custom, and on that day we will receive and celebrate the stewardship pledges received during October.

OUR SISTER PARISH

Please pray especially for the relationship between our parish and the church of St Paul's K-Street in Washington DC this week as Fr Alan makes his annual visit to the parish to preach, next Sunday, for the Feast of St Michael and All Angels. The parish is in the care of a newly-appointed Interim Rector, Bishop Jim Jelinek. We pray for the clergy of the parish, and for all the people – and for a blessing upon their parish Music Gala on Friday evening (27th).

IN OUR DAILY PRAYERS

Almighty God, thou hast made us for thyself and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in thee: pour thy love into our hearts and draw us to thyself, and so bring us at the last to thy heavenly city where we shall see thee face to face; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Lord, we pray thee that thy grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We pray daily for:

- our Bishop, Richard
- our sister parish, St Paul's K-Street, Washington, USA
- the peoples of Egypt and Syria
- those on active service overseas, especially Robin Lindsay and the men he commands in Afghanistan
- the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, and for the unity and health of the Anglican Communion (*the daily cycle of prayer for the Anglican Communion is to be found at: www.anglicancommunion.org/acp*)

Among the bereaved, the sick and those in any kind of need:

William Humbert; Maggie Millbourn; June Poland; Christiane Dupont Nangle; Tessa Murphy; Annelise Bowser; Kelsey Brockbank; Sal Allen; Peter Brook; Michael Cook; John King; Daphne Nugent; Jean Steers; Katherine Davis; John Willmington; Andrew Westwood; Alexandra Holesh; John Millbourn.

We pray for the bereaved, and all the faithful departed, among them especially:

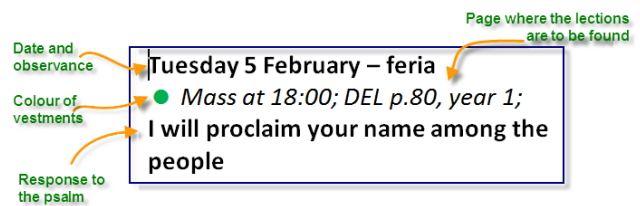
Stephen Humbert; Norman Dally; Helen Powe; Robin Barton-Cooke; John Amis; Jesse Sloane; David D'Albis.

and those whose Year's Mind is at this time:

William Haite	25 September
Joyce Eileen Magee	25 September
Hisako Bartle	25 September
Doris Palmer	29 September

MASSES & PSALM RESPONSES

There is a mass daily at St Paul's and all are welcome to attend. Service papers are available outside the Chapel or Chancel.



Sunday 22 September – 17th Sunday after Trinity.

- Masses at 09:00 & 11:00

Monday 23 September – feria

- Mass at 18:00: DEL p. 654 (year 1);
- Those who sow in tears shall reap with songs of joy.**

Tuesday 24 September – feria

- Mass at 18:00; DEL p. 656 (year 1);
- Our help is in the name of the Lord.**

Wednesday 25 September – Lancelot Andrewes

- Mass at 18:45; EH p. 320;

I will bless you, O God, for as long as I live.

Thursday 26 September – feria

- Mass at 18:00; DEL p. 661 (year 1);
- Sing to the Lord a new song.**

Friday 27 September – Vincent de Paul

- Mass at 18:00; EH p. 324;

God's light shall break forth like the dawn.

Saturday 28 September – Ember Day

- Mass at noon; DEL p. 666 (year 1);

The Lord will watch over us as a shepherd watches the flock.

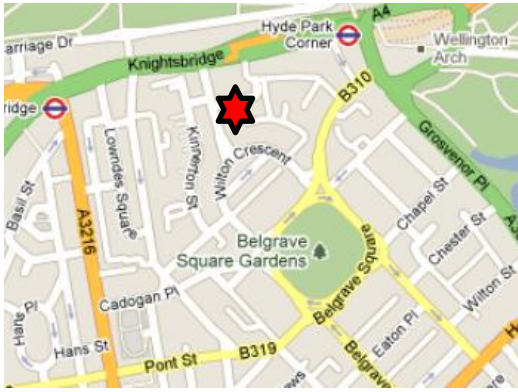
Sunday 29 September – Michael & All Angels

- Masses at 09:00 & 11:00

BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION

Anyone who is interested in or who may have any questions about being baptized and/or confirmed in the coming months is asked to please contact Fr. Andrew Sloane (**AndrewSloane@spkb.org** - or by phone: **0207201 9999**) at your earliest convenience so we can organize some appropriate and enjoyable preparation!

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Fr Graham Palmer

A priest is available before or after the daily Eucharist for confession and spiritual guidance, and also by 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 Mondays and Fr Andrew Sloane on Fridays.

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