



29 SEPTEMBER 2013: MICHAELMAS

COST AND PASSION : TRUE DISCIPLESHIP

How do we take our 'spiritual temperatures'? How healthy are our souls? Is my Faith and its practice merely 'respectable', too cerebral, too polite and conventional? These questions among others have been in my mind this past week in the light of two things. Firstly the appalling assault on Christians leaving Mass at All Saints Church in Peshawar in Pakistan, coupled with reports of the active persecution of (Anglican) Christians in Egypt. Is my faith so strong and firm that, moving beyond mere convention, I would still be at Mass this morning if I knew that I and my family could be killed as I walk out of the front door and that at least my livelihood and business interests and so my financial security will be targeted for annihilation? Would I be here this morning if I knew that tomorrow I would have no job and no pay check just because I had attended Mass? "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also". And it is that way round - heart follows treasure! Also I read last week a sermon by a Canadian priest in the USA whom I and one of my former parishes sponsored for ordination twenty or more years ago. He wrote that in the practice of our Christian faith we cannot love too much, cannot be too passionate, and cannot give enough. True, I think, unless, of course, the exercise of my Faith is merely conventional. Am I really passionately in love with God, as I am led to believe that God is with me, with us. There is much on offer here at St. Paul's Knightsbridge to help us love more, as Jesus so surely loves us.

Fr Andrew Sloane

AT A GLANCE...

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

SEPTEMBER 2013

29 Sun	09:00 Family Mass 11:00 High Mass
30 Mon	09:00 Morning Prayer 18:00 Low Mass

OCTOBER 2013

1 Tue	07:30 Centering Prayer 09:00 Morning Prayer 18:00 Low Mass 18:30 Marrieds Group/ "Kekkonji"
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 14:30 Wedding
7 Mon	09:00 Morning Prayer 18:00 Healing Mass
8 Tue	07:30 Centering Prayer 09:00 Morning Prayer 18:00 Low Mass 18:30 Stewardship Training
9 Wed	09:00 Morning Prayer 18:45: PILGRIMS IN CHRIST
10 Thu	09:00 Morning Prayer 18:00 Low Mass
11 Fri	09:00 Morning Prayer 18:00 Low Mass
12 Sat	09:00 Morning Prayer 10:00 The Saturday Forum Low Mass: noon
13 Sun	Family Mass at 09:00 High Mass at 11:00
14 Mon	09:00 Morning Prayer 18:00 Low 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'. End by 8.00 PM!

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 andrewsloane@spkb.org 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.

IN OUR DAILY PRAYERS

Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted the ministries of angels and mortals in a wonderful order: grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven, so, at your command, they may help and defend us on earth; 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.

Today we pray especially for

- our sister parish, St Paul's K-Street, Washington, USA – where Fr Alan is the visiting preacher today
- St Michael's Camden in this Diocese – where Fr Andrew Sloane is the visiting preacher on their Patronal Feast this morning
- The Chapel Royal, and for Fr Bill Scott who is *our* visiting preacher

We pray daily for:

- our Bishop, Richard
- 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; John Amis.

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

Doris Palmer	29 September
Peter Edwards	29 September
Nora Caulfield-Stoker	6 October
Thomas Welsh Jr	6 October Palmer

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.

Diagram illustrating the structure of a service paper entry:

- Date and observance: Tuesday 5 February – feria
- Colour of vestments: ● Mass at 18:00; DEL p.80, year 1;
- Response to the psalm: I will proclaim your name among the people
- Page where the lections are to be found: (indicated by a green arrow pointing to the right)

Sunday 29 September – Michael & All Angels

○ Masses at 09:00 & 11:00

Monday 30 September – feria

● Mass at 18:00; DEL p. 669 (year 1);
The Lord has built up Zion
and shown himself in glory.

Tuesday 1 October – feria

● Mass at 18:00; DEL p. 672 (year 1);
Glorious things are spoken of you,
Zion, city of our God.

Wednesday 2 October – feria

● Mass at 18:45; DEL p. 674 (year 1);
By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept,
when we remembered Zion.

Thursday 3 October – feria

● Mass at 18:00; DEL p. 676 (year 1);
The judgements of the Lord are true:
more to be desired than gold.

Friday 4 October – Francis of Assisi

○ Mass at 18:00: EH p. 332;
The Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting.

Saturday 5 October – feria

● Mass at noon; DEL p. 682 (year 1);
The Lord listens to the needy.

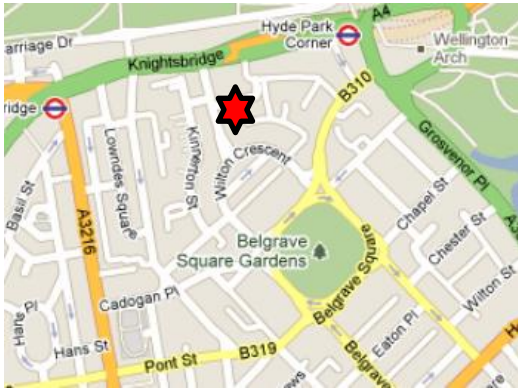
Sunday 6 October – 19th Sunday after Trinity

● 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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(l-r) Fr Nick Mercer; Fr Andrew Norwood;
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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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