



ST PAUL'S
KNIGHTSBRIDGE

13 July 2014: **Trinity 4**

Baptism & Confirmation

Today is a banner day in the lives of four members of our congregation and for our community. Olivia Kao and Raphael Cheng will be baptized and confirmed; Paula Kaplan (baptized here last January) and Damian Belson (baptized as an infant) will be confirmed.

Last time I was in the pulpit I spoke of God's ongoing and faithful call to us always, as well as the part we all have to play in being the "others" through whom that call may come to individual souls. What we celebrate with Olivia, Raphael, Paula and Damian today is precisely what I was talking about, in action in our midst. All four of our candidates would speak willingly and movingly of the loving welcome they have received at the hands of this community, be it on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings or at other times. They will speak of a sense not only of the "beauty of holiness" and the "holiness of beauty", but also of "belonging" and being enfolded. Through the clergy and people of this congregation these individuals have heard God's call to them to be one with Him in the saving and defining event of our Faith, the Death and Resurrection of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ through the waters Baptism, and to join in Life in the Spirit here and now in this particular community, initiated at Baptism, stirred up and renewed

in the rite of Confirmation as also in our ongoing common life.

As we all rejoice with and for these wonderful new members of the Body of Christ in this place, may we also be reminded of and commit ourselves anew to God's call to each of us and all of us to be messengers of the Good News of God in Jesus Christ, and to make Him known by Grace in our worship and praise, in our fellowship, in our reaching out, in our new discoveries in ongoing formation,

and in our hospitality across the pews where the stranger need no longer be a stranger. Our own Baptisms, renewed and refreshed today, make us ministers of the love, hospitality and generosity of God in Jesus. Thanks be to God.

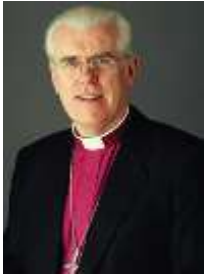
Did you know that in a recent survey the United Kingdom was found to be the "loneliest country in Europe"? St Paul's Knightsbridge should be and is a safe place to find God and each other. Therein is, I believe, a vital part of God's call to this community and in which each of us has a role to play and a ministry to exercise faithfully and joyfully. So much for which to be thankful on this day!

Fr. Andrew Sloane



PARISH NOTICES

BISHOP MICHAEL COLCLOUGH



Bishop Michael Colclough, who joins us to baptise and confirm this morning, has been – with his wife Cynthia – a welcome addition to our congregation over the past year since his retirement as Canon Pastor of St Paul's Cathedral. I'm delighted to be able to announce that as of today, and with the approval of the Bishop of London, he joins us 'formally' as a member of our honorary assistant clergy team. As Bishop in Residence at St Paul's he will preach and celebrate when his duties as an Honorary Assistant Bishop in the Diocese allow – and he will worship with us 'from the midst of the congregation' too. It is important in the midst of an active retirement to be 'fed' – and so we will try to keep Bishop Michael's duties as light as possible!

Each of the clergy at St Paul's has a 'brief'. Bishop Michael is no different. I have asked him to lead us in our thinking about Mission and Outreach and especially to guide us in forming a tangible link with the church in Angola and Mozambique as part of the Diocese of London's longstanding ALMA connection with those countries. Bishop Michael brings to this task great knowledge and first hand experience. He took over as Chair of ALMA in 2000. During his time ALMA grew hugely and has now become a well rooted part of London diocesan life with link parishes or schools in every Episcopal area. In 2002 he visited both dioceses in Mozambique; in 2003 he chaired the first Diocesan Lent Appeal 'Give Hope' raising £123,000 to start HIV work in Angola and Mozambique; in 2003 he attended the consecration of Bishop Andre and Bishop Mark in South Africa; and in 2005 he lobbied Parliament for Trade Justice–2006: he visited Angola again and in 2008 he planned the 10th Anniversary 'River of Life' Service with three partner Bishops en route to Lambeth Conference; in 2008 he suggested that the five yearly Lent Appeals of London Challenge 2012 be dedicated to ALMA (which St Paul's has supported each year) and in 2010 he arranged ALMA exhibitions in St Paul's Cathedral and St Botolph without Bishopsgate as part of the City of London Festival.

We very much look forward to welcoming Bishop Michael in our midst as a pastor and priest – and pray for him and for God's blessing up this new chapter in his life.

TUESDAY MORNING: SILENT MEDITATION

Because of travels and absences during the coming summer months, the group will take a break from now until September when it will re-launch.

"BE TRANSFORMED BY THE RENEWAL OF YOUR MINDS." (Romans 12:2)



What would you like to learn about? What areas of the Faith would you like to explore? We are currently planning the opportunities we shall offer here for Christian formation for adults during the next Academic Year, 2014-15. Please do let Fr. Andrew Sloane have your ideas, comments, requests, recommendations, and reviews for any aspect of how we grow in the Faith: topics, schedules, formats, special events etc. Please let Fr. Andrew have your ideas within the next month and before Sunday 20 July by mail, email or conversation.

AWARENESS AND TRANSFORMATION



As part of our emerging thinking about Mission (about which more after the summer), the Vicar, Fr Alan, is very keen to find some likeminded souls to explore affiliation to and involvement with two organisations: **London Citizens** (www.citizensuk.org) and **Amnesty International** (www.amnesty.org.uk/). Both organisations are committed to deep societal change and to leveraging the involvement of ordinary people in achieving that task. If that strikes a chord with you, please email him: **alan@spkb.org**

IN OUR DAILY PRAYERS

O God, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us thy mercy that, thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR TRINITY 4

We pray daily for:

- The renewal of the Church.
- All who are to be confirmed and baptised.
- our Bishop, Richard
- Bishop Michael Colclough, as he joins our clergy team as Honorary Bishop in Residence at St Paul's, and his wife Cynthia.
- our sister parish, St Paul's K-Street
- those on active service overseas
- 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)
- our sisters and brothers of the Roman Catholic Church and for Pope Francis I, and for the Eastern Orthodox churches and Bartholomew the Ecumenical Patriarch.

Among the sick and those in need:

Clifford Browne; Christopher Browne; Agnes Ligere; Jessica Macdonald Johnston; Elizabeth Gordon; Clariette Wilmot; Lane Davenport; Janet Sturdy; John Soderquist; Carole Taylor; Sara Carroll-Parker; Maggie Millbourn; John Millbourn; Christiane Dupont Nangle; Peter Brook; Michael Cook; John King; Daphne Nugent; John Willmington; Alexandra Holesh; Penri Morgan; Malcolm Walsh; Jean Marc Lehut.

Our departed loved ones:

John Hughes (priest); Agnes Ligere; Gordon Gray

Those whose Year's Mind is at this time:

Robert Freestone 19 July
Roseleen Conlon 21 July

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.



THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY & THE FOURTEENTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 13 July – **Trinity 4**

- Masses at 09:00 & 11:00

Monday 14 July – **John Keble**

- Mass at 18:00 EH p. 221;

Your love is before my eyes, O God.

Tuesday 15 July – **St Swithun's Day**

- Mass at 18:00 Mass at 18:00 EH p. 223;

May the Lord answer you in the day of trouble.

Wednesday 16 July – **feria**

- Mass at 18:45; DEL p.492 (year 2);

The Lord knows every human thought.

Thursday 17 July – **feria**

- Mass at 18:00 DEL p.495 (year 2);

O Lord hear my prayer, and let my cry come before you.

Friday 18 July – **feria**

- Mass at 18:00 DEL p.498 (year 2);

Your love, O Lord, has saved me from death.

Saturday 19 July – **Gregory and Macrina**

- Mass at noon EH p. 228;

I will sing and make music to the Lord.

Sunday 20 July – **Trinity 5**

- Masses at 09:00 & 11:00

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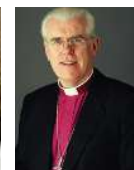
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(l-r) Fr Nick Mercer; Fr Andrew Norwood; Fr Graham Palmer; Bishop Michael Colclough

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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