



ST PAUL'S
KNIGHTSBRIDGE

THIS BEING THE THIRD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH, A PRIEST WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PRAYER FOR HEALING AND THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY UNCTION IN ST LUKE'S CHAPEL DURING THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION AT 11:00. THOSE DESIRING SUCH ARE INVITED TO COME FORWARD TO THE ALTAR RAIL IN THE CHAPEL ONE AT A TIME.

16 February 2014: The Third Sunday before Lent

WHO WILL PREPARE FOR THE BATTLE?

Set in an anonymous Flemish town sometime in the middle of the sixteenth century, Pieter Bruegel the Elder's famous painting of "The Fight between Carnivale and Lent" (now in the Kunsthistorisches Museum, Vienna) is one of those fascinating miniature studies best looked at up close with a magnifying glass! On the left hand side of the painting is the pub – standing for revelling, drinking and all sorts of ways of relaxing (it's quite a bawdy representation, so if you're faint-hearted, don't look too closely!). From it there flows a jocular and drunken procession (leading to the centre of the painting at the front), led by a jolly butcher with a huge pie on his head as a hat and his knives stuck in his belt, a-top a large barrel onto the front of which has been nailed a pork chop! With his lance in his hand doubling as the skewer from a rotisserie, he leads - from left to right - the charge of those filled with love of life and good times.



On the right of the painting is a church, from which is emerging a rather more sombre procession of sensible, if rather gloomy, types, led by an emaciated nun on chair-atop-trolley. All on the right of the picture are going about good works – giving water to the thirsty from the well in the centre, feeding the hungry, giving bread and alms.

They are about to collide – and who will win?!

Although about the timeless clash between liturgical seasons, Bruegel's picture has an added depth of meaning; at the time of its

being painted, the Lutheran Church had poured much cold water on the idea of Lent as a relic of Catholic superstition and too-keen focussing on the idea of salvation by good works rather than by grace. Lutherans, however, still celebrated the feast of 'Carnivale' (literally, 'farewell to meat'). Bruegel's painting explores the stand-off – in a moment in time and at a particular point in European Reformation history. Can you, he is asking, do the one without the other?

This is now the third Sunday before the holy season of Lent begins – and it is time to decide whether this year you will be, as it were, with the Lutherans or the Catholics! On Shrove Tuesday (4th March) there is a mass at 18:00 followed by a pancake party in the Vicarage (carnival in miniature). All are welcome – of course – but it is meant especially for those for whom Shrove Tuesday is a time for a last blast before the holy season that begins the following day with ashing. Lent is a season for growth, simplicity, prayer and godly conversation – oh, and some fun too, especially at St Paul's. Don't believe every parody you see set before you! Here there is a full programme of events – and the clergy will be glad to help you to plan your keeping of the season if you'd like them to.

I hope you will mark the dates now, and join us.

Looking ahead: 4th & 5th March 2014

SHROVE TUESDAY MASS AT 18:00

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE PARTY FROM 18:30

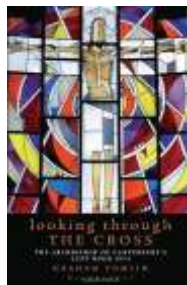
ASH WEDNESDAY LOW MASSES AT 08:00 & NOON AND 19:00 (SOLEMN HIGH MASS)

Fr Alan Gyle (alan@spkb.org)

A GOOD READ

The Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book 2014, **Looking Through The Cross**, is now available on the church bookstand and in all good bookshops, and though Lent is still a few weeks away, why not shop early to avoid disappointment.

This book deals with reconciliation, humility, identity, power, suffering, life and atonement, familiar themes for a Lent book but in Graham's hands given exciting new meaning which will touch the hearts and minds of readers seeking to make sense of Christian faith in a turbulent modern world. **£7.50 from the parish bookstand.**



FR CHRISTOPHER COURTAULD

A Memorial Service giving thanks for the life and ministry of Christopher Courtauld will be held in St Paul's Knightsbridge on Wednesday 23rd April 2014 at 15:00. Please will members of the congregation intending to be present notify the Parish Office. pa@spkb.org



VIRTUALLY THERE...

In a world of social media, you may be delighted to know that in addition to our website www.spkb.org



you can find out more detail about events at our parish microsite www.spkbinfo.org



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FEBRUARY/MARCH 2014

- 16 Sun **The 3rd Sunday before Lent**
Family Mass at 09:00
High Mass at 11:00
- 17 Mon Morning Prayer at 09:00
Low Mass at 18:00
[Music Dinner from 19:00] **SOLD OUT**
- 18 Tue **Silent Meditation at 07:30**
Morning Prayer at 09:00
Low Mass at 18:00
- 19 Wed Morning Prayer at 09:00
- Low Mass at 18:45 followed by
PILGRIMS IN CHRIST – supper, study
and discussion – ALL WELCOME**
- 20 Thu Morning Prayer at 09:00
Low Mass at 18:00
Knightsbridge Soiree: The Eton
Choirbook at 19:00 – in the Vicarage
- 21 Fri Morning Prayer at 09:00
Low Mass at 18:00

- 22 Sat Morning Prayer at 09:00
Low Mass at noon
Wedding at 14:30
- 23 Sun **The 2nd Sunday before Lent**
Family Mass at 09:00
High Mass at 11:00
- 24 Mon Morning Prayer at 09:00
Low Mass at 18:00
- 25 Tue **Silent Meditation at 07:30**
Morning Prayer at 09:00
Low Mass at 18:00
- 26 Wed Morning Prayer at 09:00
Low Mass at 18:45
- 27 Thu Morning Prayer at 09:00
Low Mass at 18:00
- 28 Fri Morning Prayer at 09:00
Low Mass at 18:00
- 1 Sat Morning Prayer at 09:00
Low Mass at noon
- 2 Sun **The Sunday next before Lent**
Family Mass at 09:00
High Mass at 11:00

ISSENHEIM ALTARPIECE, COLMAR, APRIL 2014

Fr Alan Gyle invites you to join him in Colmar, Alsace, France on Passion Sunday Weekend (Friday 4th – Sunday 6th April 2014). Full details of the trip to reflect on the art, theology and spirituality of the Issenheim Altarpiece are available on www.spkbinfo.org



ST JOHN PASSION: Friday 28 March 2014 at 19:30

Come and hear Bach's great St John Passion performed by Illuminare, London's most exciting new chamber choir, and period orchestra Knightsbridge Baroque led by Rachel Stroud, in the opulent and glorious surroundings of St Paul's Knightsbridge. £20/£15 in advance; £22/£17 on the door. Gwilym Bowen – Evangelist; Michael Mofidian – Christus; Laurence Williams – Pilatus; Jeremy Cole – conductor www.illuminarechoir.com/concerts

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE 23-25 June. Fr Andrew will be leading a group from America on a pilgrimage to Walsingham on these dates. It may be that there will be room for some of our own congregation to join the pilgrimage. If anyone is interested please be in touch with Fr. Andrew Sloane as soon as possible.

IN OUR DAILY PRAYERS

O almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of the sinful: grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest and desire that which thou dost promise, that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; 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.

COLLECT FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

We pray daily for:

- our Bishop, Richard
- our sister parish, St Paul's K-Street, Washington, USA
- the peoples of Egypt, Syria and Lebanon
- 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:

Ian Powe; Kathleen Pilton; Clariette Wilmot; Lane Davenport; Kathleen Hall; Janet Sturdy; John Soderquist; Pepper Clarita Pay; Sara Carroll-Parker; William Humbert; Maggie Millbourn; John Millbourn; Christiane Dupont Nangle; Sal Allen; Peter Brook; Michael Cook; John King; Daphne Nugent; John Willmington; Alexandra Holesh; Penri Morgan.

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

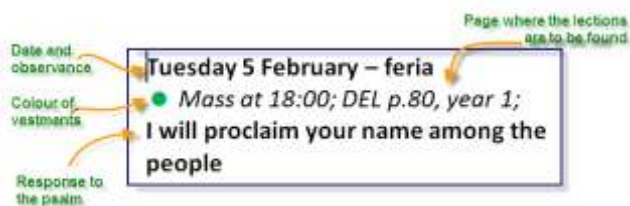
Joan Heywood; Christopher Courtauld, priest;

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

Frances Elizabeth Tully	18 February
Charles Beattie	18 February
Dorota Stankiewicz	18 February
Sr Janet SC	21 February
Josephine Ruschmeyer	21 February
Hector Dowd	23 February
David Pilton	26 February
Charles Ashton James	28 February

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 16 February – 3rd Sunday before Lent

- Masses at 09:00 & 11:00

Monday 17 February – Janani Luwum, archbishop & martyr, 1977

- Mass at 18:00 EH p. 96

Let your faithful come unto me, O Lord.

Tuesday 18 February – feria

- Mass at 18:00 DEL p. 334 (Week 6, Year 2)

Justice shall return to the righteous.

Wednesday 19 February – feria

- Mass at 18:45; DEL p.336 (year 2);

Blessed are those who persevere in the law.

Thursday 20 February – feria

- Mass at 18:00; DEL p.339 (year 2);

I sought the Lord and he answered me.

Friday 21 February – feria

- Mass at 18:00; DEL p.342 (year 2);

Blessed are those who delight in the commandments of the Lord.

Saturday 22 February – feria

- Mass at noon DEL p. 344 (Year 2)

You, O Lord, will watch over us from this generation for ever.

Sunday 23 February – 2nd Sunday before Lent

- 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 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;
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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