



ST PAUL'S
KNIGHTSBRIDGE

4 May 2014: THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

PILGRIMS

As Fr. Alan mentioned at our Annual Church Meeting last Sunday, the theme for our work of Christian formation for adults this academic year has been "Pilgrimage". We have taken that quite literally, and have sponsored pilgrimages to Westminster Abbey (twice), Canterbury Cathedral, Alsace and will this week participate in the annual "Choral Pilgrimage" with the renowned singers, The Sixteen. We shall have watched a secular movie, read and discussed a secular novel (17 May) on the theme of pilgrimage. Yesterday we looked at the Saturday Forum at the meaning and structure of the Eucharist, that "food to pilgrims given". On Wednesday evenings we have made a pilgrimage of the heart and mind to penetrate more deeply the essential mysteries of the Christian Faith which in turn lead us to journey more deeply into Christ himself.

I was struck this past week as I journeyed back from the Shrine of Our lady of Walsingham, (before the Reformation and since the 11th century one of the most important places of pilgrimage in Europe and still a place where some 30,000 pilgrims make a journey for a few days pilgrimage each year) of the importance of movement in our Christian journey. No movement, no journey. One of the lessons at Morning

Prayer this past week was God's gift of the Manna to the pilgrim people of Israel, a gift given daily until they had reached their God-given goal of the Promised Land, in other words as long as they were "on the move". The Manna foreshadows of course that other Bread from heaven, the gift of the Lord's own Body and Blood in the sacrament of Holy Communion. It likewise is given to us, a pilgrim people, assumed to be journeying towards our God-given goal of full union with the Risen Lord.

These days of Easter (yes, there are fifty of them not seven!), might provide a time for us to reflect as a community and as individuals, as to the truth of that assumption of movement in our spiritual lives that is made at every Mass. How in the past year have we grown more Christlike as a congregation? How have you and I been more deeply converted to Jesus, the Risen Lord? How have we allowed that same Lord to be our guide and goal in that journey? What concrete steps have we taken to seize the opportunities for growth and development? How does my commitment to growth and development in my spiritual life compare with the same in other areas of my life? Or, if I am honest, am I still stuck immobile wherever my last Confirmation class left me? How have we placed ourselves to be moved along from just churchgoers to Christians who are fully alive? We are blessed that such opportunities abound within this community of faith. Carpe Diem!

If you have ideas about the journeys we might embark upon next year, do come to the two Wednesday evening sessions following the 6.45 PM Mass on 14 and 21 May.

Fr. Andrew Sloane

PARISH NOTICES

NEW CHURCHWARDEN

Following the Annual Vestry Meeting last week, we are delighted to announce the appointment of Phil Davies as Churchwarden in succession to Caroline Docker. At the meeting the Vicar spoke of the parish's debt of gratitude to Caroline for her five years of service, and its delight that Caroline would continue to pay a major part in the parish's life – particularly in the organising of social events. John Twedde continues in office. The Churchwardens will be sworn in by the Archdeacon in May.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Thanks to those who attended the APCM on Low Sunday. Congratulations to those who were elected to the Parochial Church Council: Zalfa Chamoun, Tom Tull, Serena Butt, Gardenia Griffith and Adam English. Sarah Tytherleigh, Clariette Wilmot, Roland Brunner, Gardenia Griffith, Phil Davies and Zalfa Chamoun were elected as Representatives of the Parish to the Deanery Synod.

SUNDAY PARISH LUNCH

You are warmly invited to the Parish Lunch in the hall after this morning's Mass. Chef du jour: Robert Clouston. The lunch will begin at 1pm with drinks beforehand. Names, please, in the Blue Book at the back of church – or to the Parish Office on 020 7201 9999.

PCC MEETING

There will be a brief PCC Meeting at 12.30pm after the main mass this morning (before the Parish Lunch) to elect officers.

THE SATURDAY FORUM

The final Saturday Forum of the season will be the day trip pilgrimage to Canterbury on Saturday 7th June, led by Fr Andrew Sloane. The day will include a Mass at the cathedral for our group, lunch at the Cathedral Cafe, a guided pilgrimage of the cathedral and free time. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church as soon as possible.



PILGRIMS IN CHRIST

Part V (the final part of this year's programme) will begin on **Wednesday 7th May** with our trip to the Choral Pilgrimage of The Sixteen at the Chapel at Greenwich (for those who have already booked tickets). On Wednesday 14th and 21st May we shall review the year's progress and begin to make plans for next year. On Wednesday, 28th May there is a Pilgrimage to Westminster Abbey - please sign the sign-up sheet at the back of the church.



BOOK DISCUSSION

Please join us for our next Knightsbridge Soiree Thursday 15th May from 6.45-8.15pm. We will explore "The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry" by Rachel Joyce (books available at the book stall). Please sign the sheet at the back of the church so that we can make the appropriate arrangements at Fr Graham's flat.



JUNE RETREAT

Details of the **Assisi Pilgrimage 9th – 12th June**



are now available on www.spkbinfo.org – and on a flier which can be collected from church or downloaded from the same website. Please register your intention to come as soon as possible,

either online (see above) or with Felicity on 020 7201 9999 / felicity@spkb.org

Tomorrow, Monday 5th May is a Bank Holiday.

The Parish Office will be closed and there will be a Low Mass in the chapel at 12 noon.

IN OUR DAILY PRAYERS

Almighty Father, who in thy great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve thee continually in righteousness and truth; 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.**

THE COLLECT FOR EASTER 23

We pray daily for:

- The renewal of the Church in Eastertide
- our Bishop, Richard
- our sister parish, St Paul's K-Street, Washington, USA
- 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:

Elizabeth Gordon; Kathleen Pilton; 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; Gordon Gray

Our departed loved ones:

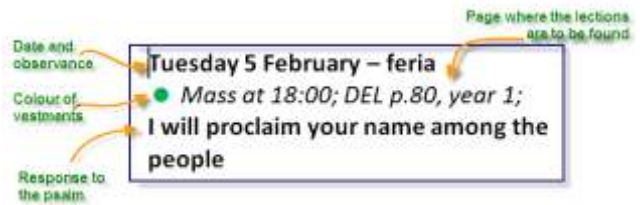
Jim Cotter; Mark Shand

Those whose Year's Mind is at this time:

Michael Taylor	2 May
Timothy Green	2 May
Michael Barney (priest)	5 May
Meriel St Clair Green	7 May

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 WEEK OF EASTERTIDE

Sunday 4 May – **The Third Sunday of Easter**

- Masses at 09:00 & 11:00

Monday 5 May – **feria of Eastertide**

- Mass at 12:00 DEL p. 203

Blessed are those who walk in the law of the Lord.

Tuesday 6 May – **feria of Eastertide**

- Mass at 18:00 DEL p. 204

Let your face shine upon us, O Lord.

Wednesday 7 May – **feria of Eastertide**

- Mass at 18:45; DEL p.206

Be joyful in God, all the earth.

Thursday 8 May – **Julian of Norwich, spiritual writer**

- Mass at 18:00; EH p. 187

Stand on the mountain before your God.

Friday 9 May – **feria of Eastertide**

- Mass at 18:00; DEL p.209

He will ring God's name to all the nations.

Saturday 10 May – **feria of Eastertide**

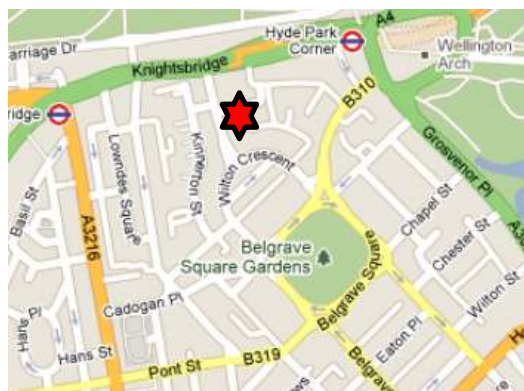
- Mass at noon DEL p. 210

I will offer to you a sacrifice of thanksgiving.

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! Many thanks.

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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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