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SERVICES THIS

WEEK:

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
18 March 2018

Family Mass at 09:00 (AG)

Solemn Eucharist at 11:00

Preacher: Fr Victor Stock

Mon 19 March:

St Joseph of Nazareth

Low Mass at 18:00 (+MC)

Tues 20 March: Cuthbert

Morning Prayer at 09:00

Low Mass at 18:00 (NM)

Wed 21 March:

Thomas Cranmer

Morning Prayer at 09:00

The Wednesday Evening Service

at 19:00 (VS)

Thu 22 March: Feria of Lent

Morning Prayer at 09:00

Low Mass at 18:00 (WS)

Fri 23 March: Feria of Lent

Morning Prayer at 09:00

Low Mass at 18:00 (AG)

Sat 24 March: Feria of Lent

Morning Prayer at 09:00

Mass at 12:00 (AG)

PALM SUNDAY

25 March 2018

Family Mass at 09:00 (AG)

Solemn Eucharist at 11:00

Preacher: Fr Andrew Bowyer

“But that’s only £2,000 a month...”



The PCC met on Tuesday evening to make preparations for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting next month. As is usual at this time of the year, the members (as trustees of the charity) approved the Annual Accounts for the year ending December 2017 and, having approved our budget at the last meeting, looked in detail at our cash-flow projections for 2018.

There are two clear messages to try to get across. First, that we are on a journey to the renewal of our life and our building. The plans both for buildings and fundraising are at a developed point and we are all ‘onboard’ with the direction of travel. Stick around and we will all be part of one of the most exciting and transformative church renewal programmes in the Diocese.

The second is that just for the moment times are really tight! Costs are under control and our budget is keen to the point of being mean (which delights the Scot in me)! But control outgoings as we must, the stretch we face is on the income side of the page. And it is clear that our ‘light touch’ Stewardship

renewal in November/December was clearly *too* light-touch, and so members of the PCC discussed a series of approaches to you – our members and supporters – over the coming month to ask you to dig deep and increase your regular giving. What is needed is not dramatic gestures by the few – but rather all of us doing what we can to make a modest increase in our pledged giving, one commensurate with our financial circumstances.

At one wonderful point in the meeting, as the fog of spreadsheets, financial accounting, projections and depreciation lifted (and I should say that we are indebted to our Treasurer, Noel Craven, for his expert presentation of the situation), one member of the Council said, “But that’s only £2,000 a month, that’s easy!” And she’s right of course, *if* we all pitch in.

I hope you sense that the move from where we are to where we shortly will be is one that you want to support and be part of. May I ask you to consider carefully what you can do in the coming months to play your part in getting us there?

Members of the Council will be approaching you in the coming weeks with the necessary background to support their request and your to justify your increased or indeed new pledge. Please give them a sympathetic hearing.

Fr Alan Gyle

Welcome

Although he has been with us on Sundays in the congregation before, this morning we are delighted to welcome The Very Reverend Victor Stock AKC as our preacher and as a member of our Honorary Assistant team of clergy. Ordained in 1970, Fr Victor was a curate in Pinner and then Chaplain of the University of London’s Church of Christ the King, Gordon Square. He was Rector of St Mary-le-Bow in the City of London from 1986 until 2002 before moving to Guildford Cathedral. He retired as Dean of Guildford on 31 July 2012, becoming dean emeritus. Apart from his being an Associate of King’s College, he is also a member of the Order of Australia (OAM), an Honorary Doctor of the University of Surrey, and Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts (FRSA). He is now a Priest Vicar of Westminster Abbey. He has taken part in many discussions on science and religion and was featured as a guest on BBC Radio 4’s The Infinite Monkey Cage 2012 and 2015 Christmas specials.



Who's who this Sunday At 09:00

Celebrant: Fr Alan Gyle

At 11:00

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Deacon: Fr Nick Mercer
Subdeacon: Roland Brunner
Reader: Lorraine Bondarenko
Preacher: Fr Victor Stock
Intercessor: sung by the cantor

The Music Dinner

This year's highly-popular Music Dinner will take place on **Monday 14th May at 7pm for 7:30pm**. Black tie or equivalent – tables of 10, or individual tickets – a ticket cost of £50 with an additional (gift-aidable) donation of £150 means £200pp or £2,000 per table. Please speak to John Tweddle for more information.

Revision of the Electoral Roll

We are required by Church law to undertake a formal process of revision of our 'membership' on an annual basis. If you have been a regular worshipper for more than six months and are not currently on the Electoral Roll, or if you are a regular worshipper living in the parish, please speak to one of the Churchwardens or Clergy – or to the parish's Electoral Roll Officer, Charlotte Wolseley Brinton. Copies of application forms are available at the back of church.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

A reminder that our APCM will take place after Easter on Sunday 15th April, at 12:20 after the Solemn Eucharist. All are warmly invited to attend.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION

www.spkb.org

AND REGISTER FOR OUR WEEKLY EMAIL

Holy Week & Easter

Palm Sunday 25th March
09:00 & 11:00

Monday in Holy Week: Low Mass at 18:00
Tuesday in Holy Week: Low Mass at 18:00
Wednesday in Holy Week: Low Mass at 19:00

Maundy Thursday 29th March
Liturgy of the Lord's Supper with the washing of feet at 19:30 with *Watch of the Passion till midnight* – please add your name to the sign-up sheet

Good Friday 30th March
Liturgy for children at 10:30
Preaching the Cross from noon till 14:00
Solemn Liturgy at 14:00
Good Friday Concert at 20:00 *The Brahms Requiem, sung by members of St Paul's Choir directed by Michael Papadopoulos*

Holy Saturday, 31st March
Church cleaning – 10am till noon – all welcome
New Fire, Vigil and First Mass of Easter at 20:30 followed by champagne and canapés

Easter Morning, 1st April
09:00 & 11:00.

Please check the parish website for full details of the Holy Week and Easter programme of services and events at St Paul's. We look forward to having you with us.

Parish Lent Appeal

The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' " — Matthew 25:40

The Diocese of London's Lent Appeal this year is a continuation of the appeal launched in Advent, **TRACKLING HOMELESSNESS TOGETHER**. We are seeking to support 15 carefully chosen homeless projects across the city.

We, who have so much, need to share of our plenty. Please hand your **generous** donation to one of the Churchwardens.

Please pray for...

We pray this week for:

All Christian people embarked upon the keeping of a good Lent;
Sarah, Bishop of London; for Lorna Gradden and John Tweddle, our Churchwardens; for our staff team;
Please remember in your prayers the clergy and people of Gibraltar Cathedral and Bishop Michael Colclough as he delivers the Holy Week Addresses.

Among the sick and those in need:

John King; Ingrid Gray; Gregoriy Galitzine; Maya Habboush; Federico Fernandes; Alan Bennyworth; John and Julia Watson; Ruth and David; Sall Allen; David Eckland.

And we pray for the recently departed:

Gerald Bridgeman; Hubert de Givenchy.

Forthcoming Trips and Visits

Please visit the parish website for more information:

BOOKING NOW OPEN:

Coventry Cathedral
Saturday 16th June from 08:00 – 18:00



A visit to Basil Spence's remarkable 1960s Cathedral and to reflect on its distinctive ministry in the face of conflict. We will travel by train and enjoy a late lunch together after a tour and Eucharist.

Berwick Church in Sussex,
Saturday 28th July from 09:00 – 17:30



Grade 1 listed church with extensive 20th Century murals which cover the nave walls, chancel arch, screen and pulpit, painted by the Bloomsbury artists, Duncan Grant, Vanessa Bell and Quentin Bell; followed by a late lunch in the countryside.

Congratulations

Last Saturday, Adam Mathias (centre – pictured with Michael Papadopoulos (left) and Stephen Farr (right)) received his Fellowship of the Royal College of Organists – bringing to three the number of Fellows we now have on the music staff.

