

**ST JAMES' CHURCH, ISLINGTON N1 8PF**  
**3 November 2019 ALL SAINTS' Year C 19/44**

Welcomer: Maria Flavius  
 Readers: Sam Lewis  
 Interceder: Jane Kilgannon  
 Euch Mins: Laura Roden and Ken Thompson  
 Coffee: Lucy & Sam (10th Norah & Mark)

**Collect:** All-holy God, we give you thanks for all the men and women of faith who have gone before us. Give us that same thirst for truth and love of your name, so that on the last day we too may be counted among your saints. Grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Reading for Remembrance Sunday, 10 November at 10am:  
 Micah 4: 1-5 Susan Sorensen James 3: 13-18 Martin Allen



**SAINTS OF GOD** You may recognize this pictures as it is one of the panels of stained glass in the sanctuary at the east end of Church. It show the apostles sitting around the table at the Last Supper. (Even in black and white you may be able to see, in the left hand bottom corner, the black band around the head of Judas who went on to betray Jesus). These disciples we naturally think of as saints; each of them went on spread the Good News before laying down their lives in God's service. But what about the other saints? When the machinery in the Vatican gets to work, they have to find evidence of two miracles occurring after someone has prayed to the saint-in-the-making for healing. St John Henry Newman, for example, made a saint on Sunday 13th October this year, could only be declared a saint because two miracles had been tested and proven to be true. But that leaves a lot of people who never get the title but whom we would still regard as 'saints'. You may know one or two. And their hallmark? By and large an interest in other people before themselves, a down to earth humility and the ability not to take themselves too seriously. Saints are people who make God the centre of all they are about - naturally.

**Notes on today's set readings:**

**TODAY'S HYMNS at 10am**

**Daniel 7: 1-3, 15-18** Lions, bears and leopards are all there in Daniel's strange dream  
**Ephesians 1: 11-end** St Paul asks for the gift of wisdom for this young Christian Church  
**St Luke 6: 20-31:** It's a tipsy-turvy world where the weak and the poor are the blessed

Entry AM297 For all the saints  
 Gradual TP151 We are one in the S.  
 Offertory AM308 Rejoice in God's s.  
 P-Comm AM604 Brother, sister, let  
 Final AM296 For all the saints

**WELCOME to everyone in Church today, especially those visiting for the first time.**

- Please ask the nearest person to you in the pews if there is anything you need. There is a carpeted area in the south aisle for our smallest children. A full service booklet is available and the T-loop system works well.
- A collection of money is taken during Mass. We are very grateful for your kind support.
- At the time of communion, please feel free to come forward to the front of Church - either to receive communion or a blessing. Jesus invites everyone, you too!
- Finally, do stay for a drink after Mass if you can and say hello before you leave. If you would like to keep in touch, please fill in a white Contact Card and we'll respond asap.

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**VERDICT FROM THE DAC** The bad news, received just before I went away on holiday, was that the DAC had refused to give the go ahead to our plans for the organ because they didn't like the drawings of the new casework in the south aisle. They were quite happy with the technical proposals including the rotation of the main organ to face west and the combination of pipes with new digital technology; but the shiny new case seems to have been a bridge too far. This puts in jeopardy our big William Lambe festival next June so there is a great deal of work to be done to retrieve the situation. The question is: who is to be the final arbiter of taste?

**NEWS FROM THE PCC** Isabelle Sharples was unfortunately not well enough to attend the meeting on the 16th when we hoped to reaffirm our commitment to the Diocesan safeguarding guidelines as we are required to do each year. Instead we

**Calendar and Daily Prayer themes**

Sun 3 *ALL SAINTS'* Ken and Margaret Thompson  
 Mon 4 *DEL Wk 31* Danielle Trower, Teddy, Poppy; Fr Victor de Waal  
 Tues 5 *Feria* Zoe Visekruna, Dan, Darcia and Chester  
 Wed 6 *William Temple, Abp* Belle Williams, Tom, Poppy, Pearl, Bow  
 Thurs 7 *Feria* Tim Willis; Chris Wright; Brian, Caroline, Oscar Yeats  
 Fri 8 *Saints and Martyrs of England* Robert Addington/Bridgeside Lodge  
 Sat 9 *Margery Kempe* Lisa, Max and Oscar Ahmet-Baker  
 Sun 10 *REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY* Louise Ahmet, Vinny and Benji

**WHAT'S ON AT ST JAMES' THIS WEEK**

Sun 3 *ALL SAINTS'* 8am Mass. 10am All Age PARISH MASS  
 Mon 12.15pm Pack Up.  
 Tues 8.30am Morning Prayer. 9am Mass resumes.  
 Wed 10am Mass.  
 Thurs 2pm Meeting with Sonia Jacob, Principal, COLA-I. 6pm Evening Prayer. 6.15-7pm Office session.  
 Sun 10 *REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY* 8am Mass. 10am PARISH MASS and SUNDAY SCHOOL.

**PRAYER BOARD/NOTICES Requests for prayer welcome**

**BIRTHDAYS** Many Happy Returns today to Oscar Ahmet-Baker who is 8; tomorrow to Leon Sharples who is 3; on Wednesday to Jerome Kasella who will be 12; on Friday to our brilliant Pack-Up chef Joyce Owusu and on Saturday to Hayley Jenkins, newly admitted to Holy Communion.

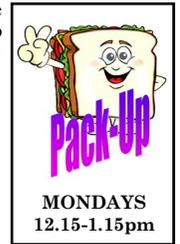
**SICK** Robert Addington, Annie Bryan, Chou Seng Joo, Gilliam Comings (UCH), Emily Grainger, Kris Hyde, Hayley Jenkins, John, Kleenan, Kingsley Lewis, John Scott, Charlie Sharpe, Rene, Vera Taggart, Angela Vinnicombe and Caroline Yeats.

**MEMORIALS** Today: Irene Clark (1998); 4th: Patricia Butcher (2006); 8th: Mary Linzell (2014), Peter Comerford (2018).

**INTERNATIONAL CHURCH LINKS** In the US: Fr Travis Smith, Holy Comforter Church, Angleton, Texas; together with his wife Suzanne, priest at Grace Church, Alvin, Texas. In Japan: Fr working in three parishes in Shimane, near Hiroshima, Diocese of Kobe. These links are still 'work in progress' but I am in almost weekly touch with the two churches in Texas and hope the Smith family will finally make it across to Islington!



**PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE** It must have been exceptionally painful for **Nazanin Zaghari-Radcliffe** to say goodbye to her daughter Gabriella who has now moved to London to start school. The mother/daughter contact has been a life-line for Nazanin. Please continue to pray for her, for Richard and for Gabriella. Our prayers too for **Aras Amiri**, absurdly convicted for staging cultural events in the UK for the British Council. Nazanin and Aras share the same cell.



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