



# ST JAMES' CHURCH, ISLINGTON N1 8PH

11th July 2021 TRINITY 6 Year B 21/27

Welcomer: Shirley Chinery  
 Cantors: Second Sunday Choir  
 Readers: Lucy Haire and Ros Ford  
 Interceder: Kerri Allen  
 Entry: AM528 Lord, if faith  
 R. Psalm: Psalm 90 Nothing can trouble  
 Offertory: AM563 Jesus Christ is waiting  
 Anthem: *O for the wings Felix Mendelssohn*  
 Final: LamPr 140 Praise the One

**Collect: God of justice, you have entrusted to your people your message of hope and your work of love. Keep your Church faithful to the vision you have given us so that we may not be discouraged in failure or complacent in success; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**



**INTERNATIONAL LINKS DAY** Thanks to the wonders of streaming technology (and the calm skills of Sergio Villicana at the back of Church when there was a slight glitch during Nan's sermon!) we really were able to 'span the world' last Sunday for International Church Links Day. We have already received positive feedback from our sister churches in Texas and Kobe as well as from those watching here in the UK. We look forward to seeing where these new initiatives will take us in the future - as we also reflect on the wonderful but unexpected influx of international members at the moment. We were delighted to welcome Melanie (originally from Paris) last Sunday and we pray that we can continue to be a 'home from home' for foreign nationals living and working in London.

**OPEN GARDENS** Once the lunchtime downpour had finally exhausted itself, the Vicarage garden was full last Sunday afternoon with people from all over the region, enjoying some great music from Ian Baker's saxophonists - and an endless stream of delicious cake largely supplied by the Vicarage kitchen! Altogether the seven gardens collected over £1100 for charity and lots of good contacts were made with our visitors. Special thanks to Maria and Sinead for their hard work with the catering; hospitality like this takes real effort.

**THE PCC** met on Tuesday evening - a day earlier than planned because we hadn't known in April that there would be a crucial football match on Wednesday! Susan Sorensen talked us through the *financial situation*: not surprisingly the closure of the hall for party bookings has made a huge hole in our budget and we are currently running with a £10,000 deficit so far this year. Hopefully the changes in the rules as from July 19th will allow us to open the Hall once more as it is this which acts as the bedrock for our ability to meet our Common Fund payments to the Diocese which are over £86,000 this year. Fortunately the *hiring of the Church* has held up well during the pandemic with an average income of about £850 each month since September 2020 - and that without any of our choirs being able to meet. We heard from Isabel about the plans for the *Islington*

*Proms* which start on September 4th and heard about the schedule for the dismantling of the organ on August 11th. We talked through the need to appeal early for food for Lambe's Feast on September 19th and took an early look at how to take on the tasks of the *Assistant Treasurer* when Alastair retires at the end of September. We also look forward to the return of *congregational singing* on Sunday July 25th!

**SERGIO AND CECY** both from Mexico studying for PhDs in London, are due to be married back home on August 2nd. We will send them off with a blessing next Sunday.

**JUNIOR MUSIC GROUP**  
 We hope our young musicians will gather together to play for the Mass on July 18th.

**KATE YEATS** We are very sorry to be losing Kate who returns to Edinburgh to be with Brian and Oscar after the death of Caroline in January 2020. We will miss her wonderfully warm Scottish accent!



**THIS WEEK**

Sun	TRINITY 6 8am Mass. 10am Streamed PARISH MASS and SUNDAY SCHOOL 6pm Concert with David Bogle and the Hermitage Quartet.
Mon	11.30-6.30pm Rehearsal. 5pm Barry and Lauren prepare for their wedding at St Stephen's, Canonbury on August 14th. 7pm Lieder Group.
Tues	8.30am Morning Prayer. 9am Mass. 7-9pm Corsican Brass rehearsal.
Wed	10am Mass. 6.39-7.30pm Rehearsal.
Thurs	6pm Evening Prayer.
Fri	6.30pm Pack-Art exhibition party in Church.
Sat	10-1pm Filming.
Sun 18	TRINITY 7 8am Mass. 10am Streamed PARISH MASS and SUNDAY SCHOOL, to include a marriage blessing for Sergio and Cecy.

### Calendar and Daily Prayer themes

Sun 11	TRINITY 6	Martin, Kerri, Rebecca and Joseph Allen
Mon 12	DEL Week 15	Beatrice Awoonor-Renner; Vickey Bellamy, Holly and Josh
Tues 13	Feria	Albert and Annie Bryan; Fr John, Maria, Sinead; Vivienne Carlton
Wed 14	John Keble	Chris, Katya, Arnold and Egon Carter; Thiago Chang
Thurs 15	St Swithun	Dionne, Aly, Sophie, Emma and Jack Carter; Shirley Chinery
Fri 16	Feria	Carly Cunningham, James, Michael and Francis Russell
Sat 17	Feria	Cyril Daley; Teresa Pereira, Richard, Mac and Ivy Dennison
Sun 18	TRINITY 7	Dennis Davis; Sophie Duffy, James, Reggie and Olive Murphy

### PRAYER BOARD/NOTICES Requests for prayer welcome

**BIRTHDAYS** Very many Happy Returns today to Kaitlin Church who is 12 and to Luca Falcioni who is 11; tomorrow to Egon Carter who will be 3 and on Thursday to Barnaby Powell who will be 8. Happy days all.

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY** Congratulations to Charlotte and Josh Kennedy whose 'woollen' anniversary is on Monday with plans afoot for Alfie's Baptism on August 29th. Likewise to Eva and Roy Kasella whose 'ivory' anniversary falls on Wednesday.

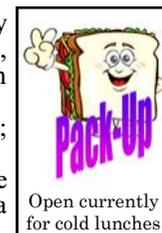
**BANNS** Between James Edward Roy Owen and Gemma Louise Goodyear, both single and of this parish; between Nicholas James Stene Spiller and Claire Irene Thomas, both single and of this parish with a QC with St Peter's, Limpsfield in Surrey; between James Robert Revel Turner and Chloe Jennifer Mears, both single and of this parish with a QC with St Winifred's, Manaton in Devon. These are for the second time of asking.

**SICK** Christopher Browne, Jennifer Franich, Peter Freeth, Emily Grainger, Kris Hyde, Hayley Jenkins, John, Kingsley Lewis, Ed Pereira, Tayah Phillips, John Scott, Charlie Sharpe and Lyn Thompson.

**MEMORIALS** 14th: Horace Cartledge (1992); 15th: Richard Kasella (2010); 16th: Thomas Whitmore (1989), John Young and Patricia Chater

**INTERNATIONAL CHURCH LINKS** In the US: Mth Suzanne Smith, Rector of Grace Church, Alvin, Texas. Japan: Fr Sebastian and Yuki Naniwa serving in St Andrew's Church, Matsuyama, Diocese of Kobe.

**PRISONER OF CONSCIENCE** We join the rest of the free world in condemning the additional year of imprisonment imposed on **Nazanin Zaghari Ratcliffe** and to a further ban on leaving Iran. We continue to pray for Richard and for Gabriella and for those in government working for Nazanin's release. Richard will not have seen Nazanin for over seven years by the end of it all.



PARISH MASS  
FOR TRINITY 6 2021

**Gathering**



PARISH MASS  
for Trinity 6  
July 11th 2021

as streamed from  
St James' Church  
Islington N1

Entry Hymn: **AM528 Lord, if faith is disenchanted** [t. AM813 Marching]

*Lord, if faith is disenchanted,  
if our pain persists too long,  
show us that your love is planted  
deeper than the greatest wrong.*

*If we feel ourselves forsaken,  
overwhelmed by sin and grief,  
prove your love, though faith is shaken,  
deeper than our unbelief.*

*Where injustice and oppression  
make the poor and weak despair,  
prove your love's profound compassion,  
deeper than their deepest prayer.*

*Let the cross, your love's perfection,  
bear us up the whole day long,  
proving that the resurrection,  
overcomes the deepest wrong.*

(Words: Alan Gaunt, ed JB)

**The Greeting**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*Words of welcome or introduction may be said*

**Words of Preparation**

**Almighty God,**  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleans the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour  
in thought, word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

May the God of love and power forgive us and free us from all our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life, in Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sins for the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## Collect

**God of justice, you have entrusted to your people your message of hope  
and your work of love. Keep your Church faithful to the vision you have  
given us so that we may not be discouraged in failure or complacent in  
success; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*1st Reading:* (Judges 16: 13-21) Then Delilah said to Samson, 'Until now you have mocked me and told me lies; tell me how you could be bound.' He said to her, 'If you weave the seven locks of my head with the web and make it tight with the pin, then I shall become weak, and be like anyone else.' So while he slept, Delilah took the seven locks of his head and wove them into the web, and made them tight with the pin. Then she said to him, 'The Philistines are upon you, Samson!' But he awoke from his sleep, and pulled away the pin, the loom, and the web. Then she said to him, 'How can you say, "I love you", when your heart is not with me? You have mocked me three times now and have not told me what makes your strength so great.' Finally, after she had nagged him with her words day after day, and pestered him, he was tired to death. So he told her his whole secret, and said to her, 'A razor has never come upon my head; for I have been a Nazirite to God from my mother's womb. If my head were shaved, then my strength would leave me; I would become weak, and be like anyone else.'

When Delilah realized that he had told her his whole secret, she sent and called the lords of the Philistines, saying, 'This time come up, for he has told his whole secret to me.' Then the lords of the Philistines came up to her, and brought the money in their hands. She let him fall asleep on her lap; and she called a man, and had him shave off the seven locks of his head. He began to weaken, and his strength left him. Then she said, 'The Philistines are upon you, Samson!' When he awoke from his sleep, he thought, 'I will go out as at other times, and shake myself free.' But he did not know that the Lord had left him. So the Philistines seized him and gouged out his eyes. They brought him down to Gaza and bound him with bronze shackles; and he ground at the mill in the prison.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 90

No - thing can trou - ble. no - thing can fright - en.  
Those who seek God shall ne - ver go want - ing. No - thing can trou - ble,  
no - thing can fright - en. God a - lone fills us.

Lord, you have been our refuge  
from one generation to another.  
Before the mountains were born  
or the earth was formed;  
from everlasting to everlasting you are God. **(R)**

You turn us back into the clay, saying  
'Return to dust, O children of earth'.  
For a thousand years in your sight  
are like the passing of a day. **(R)**

You sweep us away like a dream  
that fades away suddenly.  
Show us your mercy, O God, do not delay;  
have compassion on your servants. **(R)**

Reveal your loving kindness once more  
that we may rejoice and be glad.  
May the favour of our God rest upon us;  
may the work of our hands receive your blessing. **(R)**

*2nd Reading:* (Ephesians 1: 3, 8-14) Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*A short time of silence follows as we reflect on all we have heard.*

Let us stand and welcome the Gospel.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

*We say together:*

**Alleluia, alleluia Your words are spirit, Lord,  
and they are life:  
you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia.**

### **Gospel**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

(St Mark 6: 14-29) King Herod heard about Jesus, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.' But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.' But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.'

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.' And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.' And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.' She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the baptizer.' Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.' The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her.

Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

This is the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Sit*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**The Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father.**

**God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Sit **Prayers of Intercession**

At the end:  
Merciful Father: **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**The Peace**

The peace of the Lord be always with you. Alleluia, alleluia  
**and also with you. Alleluia, alleluia!**

Offertory Hymn: **AM563 Jesus Christ is waiting** [t. Npoel Nouvelet]

*Jesus Christ is waiting, waiting in the streets:  
making all his neighbour, loving all his meets.  
Listen, Lord Jesus, will you love me too?  
Help me follow truly, fit to follow you.*

*Jesus Christ is raging, raging in the streets  
where injustice spirals and all hope retreats.  
Listen, Lord Jesus, I am angry too;  
in the kingdom's causes let me rage with you.*

*Jesus Christ is calling, calling in the streets,  
'who will join my journey, I will guide their feet.'  
Listen, Lord Jesus, let my fears be few;  
walk one step before me, I will follow you.*

(Words: John Bell and Graham Maule, adapted JB)

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.  
Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,  
which earth has given and human hands have made.  
It will become for us the bread of life.  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord, God of creation.  
Through your goodness we have this wine to offer,  
Fruit of the vine and work of human hands.  
It will become our spiritual drink.  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

Pray, my friends, that our thanksgiving may be acceptable to God,  
the almighty Father.  
**May the Lord accept this sacrifice from our hands  
for the praise and glory of his name,  
for our good, and the good of all his Church.**

Father, your word creates in us a yearning for your kingdom. Receive all we  
offer you this day, and keep us in your peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ the  
Lord. **Amen.**

**Eucharistic Prayer E**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Father, all powerful and ever-living God,  
we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks.

In Christ you have revealed the mystery of your will.  
Grant courage and patience to all those  
who are persecuted for proclaiming your Gospel  
and keep us faithful to the Spirit  
who has sealed us with his grace  
so that we may enjoy for the blessings of eternal life.

And so, with powers of all creation  
we praise and glorify your holy name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord.  
God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

How wonderful the works of your hands, O Lord!  
As a mother tenderly gathers her children  
you embraced a people as your own.  
When they turned away and rebelled your love remained steadfast.  
From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary,  
to be the living bread, in whom all our hungers are satisfied.  
He offered his life for sinners and with a love stronger than death  
he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died, he came to supper with his friends,  
and taking bread, he gave you thanks.  
He broke it and gave it to them, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body  
which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said:  
Drink this, all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

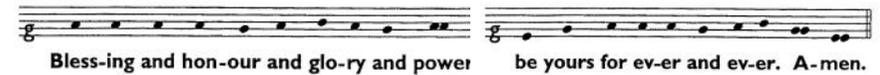
Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:  
**Dying you destroyed our death,  
Rising you restored our life.  
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all  
upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory,  
and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you  
these gifts of your creation;  
may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence,  
form us into the likeness of Christ,  
and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Bring us at the last with Mary, the Mother of God, St James, St Peter  
and all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour  
for which you have created us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
by him, with him, and in him,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:



**Lord's Prayer**

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:  
**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Fraction**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ:  
**Though we are many, we are one Body  
because we all share in one bread.**

**Agnus Dei**

**Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy upon us.**

**Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy upon us.**

**Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world,  
Grant us peace.**

**Invitation**

Draw near with faith, receive the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ which was  
broken for you, and his blood which was shed for you.  
Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you and feed on him in your  
hearts with thanksgiving; for this is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin  
of the world. Happy are those who are called to his Supper.  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I  
shall be healed.**

## After Communion

Anthem: *O for the wings of a dove* Felix Mendelssohn

O for the wings of a dove,  
far way would I rove.  
In the wilderness build me a nest  
and remain there for ever at rest.

Communion Antiphon:

The sparrow even finds a home, the swallow a nest where she may lay her young, near to your altars, Lord of hosts, my King and my God! How happy are they who dwell in your house, for ever praising you.

## Post Communion

Living God, in this sacrament we have shared in your eternal kingdom. May we who taste this mystery forever serve you in faith, hope and love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work  
to your praise and glory. Amen.**

## Banns of Marriage and Community Notices

Stand

**Blessing**

**Dismissal**

Go in the peace of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Final Hymn: **LamPr140 Praise the One**

[t AM422 Hyfrydol]

***Praise the One who breaks the darkness  
with a liberating light.  
Praise the One who frees the searching,  
turning blindness into sight.  
Praise the One who preached the Gospel,  
healing every dread disease,  
calming storms and feeding thousands  
with the very bread of peace.***

***Praise the One who blessed the children  
with a strong and gentle word.  
Praise the One who drove out demons  
with a piercing word of command.  
Praise the one who brings cool water  
to the sick and to the poor.  
Praise the One whose living water  
quenches thirst for evermore.***

***Praise the one true love incarnate,  
Christ who suffered in our place.  
Jesus died and rose in glory  
that we may know God by grace.  
Let us sing with joy and gladness,  
seeing what our God has done,  
that united in our fellowship,  
we rejoice that we are one.***

(Words: Rusty Edwards, ed JB)

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