



# ST JAMES' CHURCH, ISLINGTON N1 8PH

26 September 2021 TRINITY 17 Yr B 21/37

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 Coffee: Lucy Haire  
 Entry: AM562 Inspired by love and anger  
 Gradual: AM552 Think of a world  
 Offertory: TP154 We come with empty h.  
 P-Comm: CAHON383 Let love be real  
 Final: AM558 Now praise the God  
 Mass: Burley Mass, Simon Lole

**Collect: Pour out your Spirit, Father of all, so that every heart may know that you are God: and grant that we who already know Jesus as Lord may show the power of his saving love to all whom we meet; for you live and reign, ever one God, world without end. Amen.**



**LAMBE'S FEAST 2021** As we had hoped, last Sunday's celebration was a glorious mix of thanksgiving, hospitality and good music - and both in Church and outside on the grass afterwards it was a wonderfully representative gathering of all those who make up our local community. Thanks to all who made it is such a relaxed and happy day and may it help to encourage us as we work together on the 'Time to dream' discussions this autumn.



**THANK YOU** We could not let all these events squeeze out our very real thanks to Alastair Hume who lays down his role as Assistant Treasurer at the end of this month. A former Churchwarden at St James', Alastair even played his double bass on his 79th birthday last Saturday as part of the first class Proms concert by the Haydn Chamber Orchestra!

**WELCOME AYLA DARKO** We are delighted to welcome Ayla, daughter of Ricky and Georgina, on the occasion of her baptism today at 12noon and very

much hope Ayla and her family will continue to be as involved here as they were last weekend!

**HARVEST** With so much happening in September I am postponing our 2021 Harvest Festival until Sunday 17th October when there will be an appeal for donations for Christian Aid. Gift envelopes are available today.

**GISELA MEYER** teams up with Alastair Logan (clarinet and basset horn) and John Human (piano) for songs combining voice and woodwind, tonight at 7.30pm. Tickets available at the door.

**QR CODE** May we remind those of you with mobile phones that you can give to St James' via the large QR sheet on the back notice-board, or the smaller code printed at the foot of this Weekly News Sheet.

**THIS WEEK**

Sun	TRINITY 17 8am Mass. 10am Streamed PARISH MASS and SUNDAY SCHOOL. 12noon Baptism of Ayla Darko, daughter of Ricky and Georgina (Patrick Coman House, St John's Street) 7.30pm Gisela Meyer and friends recital.
Mon	6pm Cecily and Rocco Falconer prepare for Leo's baptism on 17th October.
Tues	8.30am Morning Prayer. 9am Mass. 3.15-6.15pm Laurence Williams rehearsal. 7-9pm Corsican Brass Rehearsal.
Wed	10am Mass. 12noon Preparation and wedding rehearsal for Ian Pierce and Jenni Hammond. 7-8.30pm Some Voices rehearsal.
Thurs	6pm Evening Prayer. 6.15-7pm Office session. 7-9pm Cantalini rehearsal.
Fri	7pm Pink Bird Productions concert.
Sat	3pm Wedding of Ian Pierce and Jennifer Hammond. (Novello Court).
Sun 3	TRINITY 18 8am Mass. 10am Streamed PARISH MASS and SUNDAY SCHOOL.

**Calendar and Daily Prayer themes**

Sun 26 TRINITY 17	Jess and Tayah Phillips; Nick, Matilda, Barnaby Powell
Mon 27 DEL Week 26	John, Hilary and Laura Roden and Hope Dixey
Tues 28 Feria	Rosemary Ross, Sam, Joe, Charlie and Isla Seabrook
Wed 29 St Michael and AA	Helen Schofield; Spon and Jess Si
Thurs 30 St Jerome	Nick, Isabelle, Maxwell and Leon Sharples
Fri 1 Ashley Cooper	Susan, Eric Sorensen; Vera Taggart; Fr Stephen Taylor
Sat 2 Feria	Claire, Alex, Kaitlin, Oliver Church; Ken, Margaret Thompson
Sun 3 TRINITY 18	Fr Victor de Waal; Kathryn Wark; Tim Willis

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

**SICK** Darren Bavington, Christopher Browne, Jennifer Franich, Peter Freeth, Emily Grainger, Kris Hyde, Hayley Jenkins, John, Kingsley Lewis, Ed Pereira, Tayah Phillips, John Roden (now home after an operation last Thursday), John Scott, Charlie Sharpe and Lyn Thompson.

**MEMORIALS** Today: Daphne Fleck; 27th: Sarah Stanley; 29th: Alfred Davis; 30th: Leroy Barton, Dorothy Tane (2016); 1st: Alan Butcher, Helen Young, Douglas Cleverdon, Janet Fry (2019).

**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. We also pray for the civil rights lawyer **Nasrin Sotoudeh** sentenced to 30 years and 148 lashes for her work in defending those being unjustly tried in Iran today. The swearing in of the new President was not encouraging.



Open 12noon each Monday for hot lunches



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PARISH MASS  
for Trinity 17  
September 26th 2021

as streamed from  
St James' Church  
Islington N1

Entry Hymn: **AM562 Inspired by love and anger**

[t. Salley Gardens]

*Inspired by love and anger, disturbed by endless pain,  
aware of God's own bias, we ask him once again:  
'How long must some folk suffer? How long can few folk mind?  
How long dare vain self int'rest turn prayer and pity blind?'*

*From those for ever victims of heartless human greed,  
their cruel plight composes a litany of need:  
'Where are the fruits of justice? Where are the signs of peace?  
When is the day when prisoners and dreamers find release?'*

*From those for ever shackled to what their wealth can buy,  
the fear of lost advantage provokes the bitter cry:  
'Don't query our position! Don't criticise our wealth!  
Don't mention those exploited by politics and stealth!'*

*God asks: 'Who will go for me? Who will extend my reach?  
And who, when few will listen, will prophecy and preach?  
And who, when few bid welcome, will offer all they know?  
And who, when few dare follow, will walk the road I show?'*

(Words: John Bell and Graham Maule, ed)

The Greeting

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

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father  
And the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

*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:  
cleanse 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.**

## Confession

### Ordinary Time

As we come to celebrate the presence of Christ, in word and in sacrament, let us call to mind and confess our sin.

**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

**Pour out your Spirit, Father of all, so that every heart may know  
that you are God: and grant that we who already know Jesus as  
Lord may show the power of his saving love to all whom we meet;  
for you live and reign, ever one God, world without end. Amen.**

### Sit

## The Word of God

*1st Reading:* (Numbers 11: 4-6, 10-16) The people wept again, and said, 'If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.'

Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the Lord, 'Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favour in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, "Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child", to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, "Give us meat to eat!" I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favour in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.'

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

*Gradual Hymn:* **AM552 Think of a world**

[t Genesis]

*Think of a world without any flowers,  
think of a world without any trees,  
think of a world without any sunshine,  
think of the air without any breeze.  
We thank you, Lord, for flowers and trees and sunshine,  
we thank you, Lord, and praise your holy name.*

*Think of a world without any people,  
think of a street with no one living there,  
think of a town without any houses,  
no one to love and nobody to care.  
We thank you, Lord, for families and friendships,  
we thank you, Lord, and praise your holy name.* (Words: Doreen Newport)

*2nd Reading:* (James 5: 13-end) Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

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.

We sing together:



We say together:

**Jesus Christ was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty.**

We sing once more: **Alleluia, 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 9: 38-end) John said to him, 'Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.' But Jesus said, 'Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterwards to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

If any of you put a stumbling-block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.'

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

Sit

Sermon

**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.**

Stand

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**and also with you.**

**We come with empty hands  
intent on sharing  
our needs, our wealth, but more,  
all that we are.  
We meet as partners  
for each other caring,  
at one with people  
lacking voice or power.**

**We would be true  
in sharing of resources,  
in freedom eager  
to receive and give;  
be open to  
the Spirit's gifts and forces  
be broken for the world  
in which we live.**

**Then widen, Lord,  
our vision and vocation,  
our joy at which  
in Christ, you showed and gave;  
as still you share your self  
with all creation,  
help us respond with all  
we are and have.**

(Words: Fred Kaan)

Remain standing

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.**

### At the Offertory

Eternal God, in Jesus Christ we behold your glory. Receive the offering of  
your people gathered before you, and open our hearts and mouths to praise  
your great salvation, the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Remain standing

### 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.**

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give  
you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our  
Lord.

In love you reveal your power to transform, to heal and to save. You  
overcome our desire to limit your activity in the world, our natural tendency  
to set up rules and boundaries. By signs and wonders and by amazing answers  
to our prayers you show us your sovereign freedom and your boundless  
grace and teach us to be watchful over our words and actions.

And so in the freedom of your abiding Spirit, with the angels and archangels  
and the whole company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious  
name, for ever praising you and singing:

Sit

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord. God of pow'r and might,  
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san-na in the high - est.  
 Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
 san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san-na in the high - est!

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.

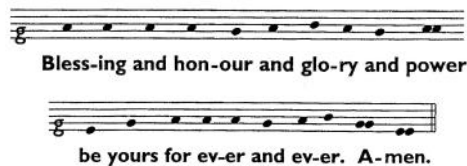
Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:  
**Dying you destroyed our death,**  
**Rising you restored our life.**  
**Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

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:



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;**  
**in 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



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.**

*Let love be real, in giving and receiving,  
without the need to manage and to own;  
a haven free from posing and pretending,  
where ev'ry weakness may be safely known.  
Give me your hand, along the desert pathway,  
give me your love, wherever we may go.  
As God loves us, so let us love each other:  
with no demands just open hands and space to grow.*

*Let love be real, not grasping or confining,  
that strange embrace that holds yet sets us free;  
that helps us face the risk of truly living,  
and makes us brave to be what we might be.  
Give me your strength when all my words are weakness;  
give me your love in spite of all you know. As God...*

*Let love be real, with no manipulation,  
no secret wish to harness or control;  
let us accept each other's incompleteness,  
and share the joy of learning to be whole.  
Give me your hope through dreams and disappointments;  
give me your trust when all my failings show. As God...*

(Words: Michael Forster)

*Communion Antiphon:*

This is how we know what love is: Christ gave up his life for us; and we too must give up our lives for our friends.

**Post Communion**

Father in heaven, strengthen the unity of your Church, so that we who have been fed with holy things may fulfil your will in the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our 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.**

**Community Notices**

*Stand*

**Blessing**

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

*Final Hymn:* **Now praise the God of justice**

[t Aurelia AM506]

*Now praise the God of justice  
with heart and soul and voice;  
remember all his wonders,  
recount them and rejoice.  
He stands with all who labour  
for what is true and right,  
till wickedness and falsehood  
are banished from his sight.*

*Now praise the God of justice  
enthroned for evermore,  
a stronghold in affliction,  
a refuge to the poor:  
he hears the cry of victims  
and senses their despair;  
in faithfulness he honours  
the faith that kindles prayer.*

*Now praise the God of justice,  
however dark the day:  
the hope that calls for mercy  
will not be turned away;  
for evil shall not triumph,  
nor human sin prevail:  
the Cross of Christ shall triumph  
God's promise will not fail.*

(Words: Martin Leckebusch, from Psalm 9, adapted)

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