



ST CYPRIAN'S NEWSLETTER

June 2016

Services in June

Saturday 4th June

3pm Evensong and Benediction

Responses: Tomkins

Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis: Brewer in D

Anthem: Vaughan Williams *Valiant for truth*

Sunday 5th June – 2nd Sunday after Trinity

10.30am Mass Celebrant: Father Gerald Beauchamp

Mass setting: Leighton *Missa brevis*

Motet: Bairstow *I sat down under his shadow*

Sunday 12th June – 3rd Sunday after Trinity

10.30am Mass Celebrant: Father Michael Fuller

Mass setting: Walton *Missa brevis*

Motet: Walton *A Litany*

Sunday 19th June – 4th Sunday after Trinity

10.30am Mass Celebrant: Father Victor Stock

Mass setting: Padilla *Missa Ego flos campi*

Motet: Palestrina *Sicut cervus*

Sunday 26th June – 5th Sunday after Trinity

10.30am Mass Celebrant: Father Michael Fuller

Mass setting: Victoria *Missa O quam gloriosum*

Motet: Brahms *How lovely are thy dwellings*

This Sunday will be kept as the Feast of Dedication.

Thursday 30th June

9pm – Compline

Weekday Mass – Thursday, 1.10pm,

Morning Prayer – Tuesday – Friday, 8am

S. Columba was born, probably in Donegal, in 521 into the Clan O'Donnell, and was of royal descent. Having founded monasteries at Derry, Durrow, and Kells, he left Ireland in 563 and landed on the island of Iona off the coast of Scotland. He founded there the monastery of which he was Abbot when he died in 597. His Feast Day is June 9th and he is the Patron of floods, bookbinders and poets.

This panel in the Holy Name Chapel, presented by Geoffrey Parsons in memory of his friend Eric Vietheer, bears some resemblance to the work of Christopher Webb, a follower of Comper. [photo: David Peet]



Letter from Father Gerald

Confirmation Services can be a bit like waiting for a bus. There isn't one for ages and then two come along at once.

On 4th May, the Francis Holland School held their Confirmation in St Cyprian's. Five girls were confirmed as well as Abi Goldsbrough. Abi and her husband Ken and their daughter, Katherine worship at the Annunciation but they live in Clarence Gate Gardens. Abi and Ken hold keys for St Cyprian's and are on the rota to unlock the church for hirers.

The second Confirmation was on 19 May at Hampden Gurney School. This time there were two pupils from the school and one from St Cyprian's. Ella Tetley comes to St Cyprian's regularly with her parents, Ian and Natalie and sister, Lela.

The Confirmations were fine examples of cooperation between the parishes and local institutions. Both schools were very hospitable and enjoyed the presence of folk from outside. New connections were made and old ones renewed. Ella's dad went to Hampden Gurney in the days before the present building.



As the church now begins the long season of Trinity its worth reflecting on the notion of partnership. The Bishop of London constantly refers to our 'partnership in the gospel'. There's partnership because it is in the nature of God to be in partnership and relationship. Father, Son and Holy Spirit not only cooperate they also co-inhere, to use Charles Williams' phrase. The three Persons are integral to each other. They reflect each other's glory. They rejoice and delight in each other.

Now that Fr Simon has moved on, St Cyprian's needs to think again about where it is to find the partnerships that will enable the parish to flourish. We have much to offer and much that we need to receive. Please pray for guidance of the Holy Spirit as we set out on a new chapter of discovery.

A Sunday school?

The PCC recently agreed to examine whether we could start a Sunday school for children during the Sunday mass, starting in the autumn. We are hoping to get some help with this (advice, perhaps some training, perhaps some practical assistance) from more experienced people elsewhere in the diocese. But to make it work, we will need some volunteers from within the parish who would be willing to help lead the children's activities on at least some Sundays - enough to share the load around, and also to have at least two people each Sunday. If you have any interest in possibly helping with this - not every Sunday, but perhaps sometimes - please talk to William Nye - or email him on william.nye@churchofengland.org. You don't need to be a parent, or an experienced teacher, or to make any commitment at this stage: all you need is to care about our children, and be willing to consider helping.

Yours in Christ,

Fr Gerald

Notices

The parish has received a thank you card from Fr Simon after the presentation to him on 24 May. He writes:

Dear Friends in Christ

Thank you for the very kind farewell and generous gift.

As I mentioned it has been a great privilege to be with you and I have learnt a great deal. The serving team was a pleasure to work with and Fr Gerald was always supportive but also gave me space to develop.

The family will miss St Cyprian's and your prayers during a difficult period have been sustaining.

I will keep you updated and I am sure that I will be back, Having sampled other choirs recently I was reminded how fortunate you are at St Cyprian's – the Kodaly Mass is a favourite and wonderful to hear it last week.

With my best wishes and prayers

Fr Simon

Events

Thursday 16th June, 7.30 p.m.

Soiree at the home of Mary Ashwin

Following on from day on gender and identity in May, Mary is hosting an 'at home' for anyone who would like to continue the conversation. If you don't have Mary's address please email her (maryashwin7@btinternet.com). If you are coming please let Mary know.

Thursday 23rd June

The church is being used a polling station for the EU Referendum

Sunday 10th July

There will be a parish picnic after Mass on this Sunday.

Compline

From May onwards, it is planned to recite the office of Compline at St Cyprian's on the last Thursday of each month at 9pm.

For those who may be unfamiliar with this office, Compline is the last service of the day in the Christian tradition of canonical hours. It is a short, reflective service, comprising psalms, prayers, and a hymn, said or sung without solemnity. We will observe silence before and after the service, which we hold in the choir, in candlelight and the minimum of artificial light. Compline will be led by the laity, and all are welcome.

The dates for the next few services will be the following Thursdays: 30th June, 28th July and 25th August.

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CHORAL EVENING PRAYER & BENEDICTION



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at 3pm

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With the S^t Cyprian's Singers

Directed by: Julian Collings