

Holy Trinity St Mary's

in partnership with
Guildford Methodist Church

a member of the cluster group with
St Nicolas' and St Saviour's, Guildford

WELCOME

If you are a newcomer to the congregation, please make yourself known to one of the clergy or sidespeople.

Coffee will be served after the morning service in both Holy Trinity and St Mary's.

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

HT Under 3s

Young children are welcome to play with toys in the children's corner at the back of Holy Trinity. Please also use the toy bags.

HT Junior Church (3-7 years)
Trinity Breakfast Club (8+ years)
Calming the storm with Pippa Mitchell.



Sunday 19 January 2020

The Second Sunday of Epiphany

The Collect

*Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature
by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

We welcome Dr Clare Brunet as this morning's preacher at Holy Trinity. Clare is head teacher of Holy Trinity Pewley Down School. As part of that role, Clare works closely with the diocese, integrating the work of parishes and church schools. Clare worships regularly at Millmead Church, Guildford. This parish and school are so fortunate to benefit from Clare's spiritual depth, enthusiasm and leadership.

Welcome to Rob Munro, the new Property Manager! Rob Munro has been appointed as the new property manager of the parish. Rob comes with a wide range of experience in caring for buildings and the people that use them – most recently, he has worked at Henley Fort, the outdoor centre on the edge of Guildford. We are delighted that Rob is keen to take on this opportunity for assisting the parish in our work with the buildings and people of Guildford.

Welcome to Nick Graham, the new Director of Girl Choristers! Nick Graham is conducting his first service this morning in his role as Director of Girl Choristers. Nick was a chorister here himself, and has lots of experience, especially with choirs for young people.

PLEASE SUBMIT ITEMS FOR THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER BY WEDNESDAY MIDDAY

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**This weekly newsletter and the latest supplement are
available on our website www.holytrinityguildford.org.uk**

Silent Prayer on Monday 20 January at 12.30pm at Holy Trinity in the Queen's Chapel. Come for the quiet and the stillness and the time to share with God. *Brian*

Free Lunchtime concert at Holy Trinity given by Guildford High School Music Scholars, Wednesday 22 January, 1.15pm.

Addison Court Epiphany Service on Wednesday 22 January 2020 at 7pm. Come and join the Addison Court residents in a quiet service of worship and fellowship. *Brian*

Trinity Club, Tuesday 28 January - The Story of Ruth and Naomi; a world on fire. David Uzzell will discuss some of the issues around what is now being called the 'climate emergency'. The starting point for the discussion will be two recently published books. The first is Ruth Valerio's *Saying Yes to Life*, which is the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent book for 2020. The second book is Naomi Klein's recently published *On Fire: The Burning Case for a Green New Deal*. Each offer a very different agenda for our priorities in terms of dealing with the climate emergency. *David and Brian*

Has anyone seen a large Sainsbury's 'bag for life' containing the Chit Chat Brio train set, with some books and craft materials. These were residing in the Trinity Centre while Chit Chat is meeting there but have gone astray. Please contact the office with any clues as to their whereabouts. Thank you. *Andrea*

Polish translator wanted! Does anyone know someone who could translate the free Holy Trinity guide leaflet into Polish? If so, please contact the office, or speak to Mary Alexander.

Day out in Gloucester

THURSDAY 30TH JANUARY

Learning about renovating an ancient church – applying some lessons to St Mary's



I am delighted that we now have a full coach for the trip to Gloucester on Thursday 30 January (details in the January supplement). We will see how this goes and may organise a similar visit in the future.

Robert

The Parochial Church Council is meeting on Monday 20th

- To receive draft accounts for 2019 and agree a budget for 2020
- To discuss proposals for a renewal of Planned Giving this summer
- To decide whether to proceed with the installation of a new sound system at HT
- To note the receipt of the Silver Eco Church award
- To hear developments in children and young people's work, including visit to Kwasa in July

Ringling bells

You may have noticed the news story about churches being asked to ring their bells on January 31st to celebrate this country leaving the EU, and wondered what will happen here.

Routinely, I receive comments about how much people appreciate hearing the bells in our two towers (St Mary's and Holy Trinity). The sound is comforting, traditional, British; it evokes a sense of belonging – a sound that is local for the local community. Yet the sound of bells is also clearly a public matter (and very occasionally I receive complaints, chiefly from those who are unused to the sound of bells, or who are surprised to hear them in the centre of town). The chief purpose of church bells is to alert the community to the worship of God. In part, bells call people to worship – but in part also, bells tell people worship is happening, whether they attend or not. Bells signal that prayer is happening, in and for the community, whether people believe, participate or simply continue with their daily work. Because bells are a public signal, they are occasionally used for significant local or national events: major moments of celebration or distress, the start of a New Year, funerals and Remembrance Sunday. Yet these are not merely secular moments, for in each case the church offers prayers, whether in support of those in trouble or in celebration. For example, I am sure that the bells will ring some time during the weekend of the 75th anniversary of VE day.

I consider that ringing the bells to mark the “start of Brexit” would be an inappropriate way to mark such a contentious, divisive political act. I know some will want to celebrate on this day, and others will be deeply distressed. It would be wrong for the church to do anything that could be so easily misunderstood. This decision is mine – and I have the support of Michael Bryant, Captain of our band of Bell Ringers.

On a lighter note, there has been a large amount of work done on the bells and the tower at St Mary's in the last 9 months. This is now complete. As soon as the other building works at St Mary's is finished, we will be arranging a day so that you – and all our neighbours in the town – can admire and enjoy the bells, visiting the tower (though that takes some physical agility). The bells are a public tool for the worship of God. We are very fortunate to have two fine towers and, more importantly, a dedicated band of ringers.

Robert

Today at St Mary's

19 Jan **2nd Sunday of Epiphany**

8.00am **Holy Communion (BCP)**

Preacher: Brian Roberts

10.30am **Communion for Guildford**

Leader: Andrew Wheeler

Preacher: Tom Pote

Hymns: CP 555, 401, 470, 590

Next Sunday at St Mary's

26 Jan **3rd Sunday of Epiphany**

8.00am **Holy Communion (BCP)**

Preacher: Jonathan Hedgecock

10.30am **Communion for Guildford**

Leader: Lyn McKay

Preacher: Lyn McKay

Next Sunday at Holy Trinity

26 Jan **3rd Sunday of Epiphany**

10.00am **Sung Eucharist**

Preacher: Robert Cotton

1st Reading: 1 Chr 29.6-17 (I. Hay-Campbell)

Gospel: Mark 12.41-44 (H. Parkinson)

Intercessions: Yvonne Cameron

6.00pm **Choral Evensong**

Preacher: Rod Pierce

1st Reading: Ezek 2.1-3.4 (A. Jacques)

2nd Reading: Gal 1.11-end (M. Bishop)

Today at Holy Trinity

19 Jan **2nd Sunday of Epiphany**

10.00am **Sung Eucharist**

Preacher: Clare Brunet

1st Reading: Isaiah 49.1-7 (Mark Lovatt)

2nd Reading: 1 Cor 1.1-9 (H. Parkinson)

Gospel: John 1.29-42 (C. Jones)

Hymns: 555, 401, 470, 590

Intercessions: John Hawsworth

Setting: *Llewellyn* in C

Anthem: A Gaelic blessing *Rutter*

View me, Lord, a work of thine
Lloyd

Organ: Sortie in E *Dubois*

6.00pm **Choral Evensong**

Preacher: Rod Pierce

1st Reading: Ezek 2.1-3.4 (A. Brown)

2nd Reading: Gal 1.11-end (M. Alexander)

Hymns: 84 (t. NEH 49(i)), 233 (ii), 86 (ii)
(omit*)

Responses: *Rose*

Psalm: 72 v. 1-10 *Monk*

Magnificat &

Nunc dimittis: *Dyson* in D

Anthem: There shall a star from Jacob
come forth *Mendelssohn*

Morning Prayer in the Queen's Chapel at Holy Trinity will be said Monday — Thursday at 8.30am and on Saturday at 9.30am before Saturday Coffee.

This week we remember in our prayers:

† **In our town:** Clare Brunet, Head Teacher of Holy Trinity & Pewley Down School.

† **In our parish:** the bell ringers.

† **Those who are sick, among them:** Robert Alcock, Nigel Davis and Ken Joyner.