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VICAR'S LETTER

We have had three whole days of sunshine - a rarity during this dismal summer. London is in the final stages of preparation for the Olympics. The diocesan Olympic Mobiliser, yes such a person does exist, even sent an email to my Blackberry during a staff meeting to remind us that there was only a fortnight to go. But it was still not too late to plan events and to send for resources. In fact, All Saints is already on an app being used by volunteers to direct Olympic visitors. Should they be on Oxford Street and grow weary of shopping, they will have a choice: they can go to All Souls and watch the Olympics on a big screen, or come to All Saints and say their prayers.

We have no real idea what impact the Olympics will have on our parish life; how much road closures and other transport arrangements will make it difficult for people to get to church. We shall just have to wait and see, keep calm and carry on.

When the newspapers are not absorbed with the Olympic Games or the Tour de France, they are pre-occupied with revelations of scandal in the world of high, or should that be “low”, finance. One week they and we struggle to digest the arcane mysteries of LIBOR - interest-rate fixing; the next, a worldwide high street bank with a branch in our parish is accused of laundering billions on behalf of Mexican drug cartels. Other banks are accused of enabling the world's super-rich to conceal wealth reckoned in trillions from tax authorities.



Dee Candlin (pictured arms in the air, centre) a member of the Congregation and Olympic Ambassador in Oxford Street.

At General Synod last month, the First Church Estates Commissioner, Andreas Whittam-Smith, once a distinguished financial journalist and

founding editor of the Independent, gave the Commissioners' Annual Report. He spoke of the recent revelations in the banking world as the worst he has seen in his career. And that was before the allegations about HSBC, whose former chairman is both a government minister and an Anglican priest.



Fr. Alan thinking at General Synod

The Church of England relies heavily on the investments administered by the Church Commissioners; not least to fund the pensions of the clergy, and for a variety of other activities too. It pursues an ethical investment policy – it excludes investments in arms manufacture and sales, alcohol and gambling for example. Now it seems that investments in the financial sector which may have seemed respectable and safe are anything but.

On a much smaller scale, All Saints too relies on investments: those of the Choir & Music Trust which now funds about half our music budget.

There will be those who argue that the realms of high finance are beyond the Church's competence and should be left to the experts. Well, it seems that many of the experts are either not very good at it, one lost 5 billion dollars recently, or use their expertise for

personal gain rather than public profit. Just as war is too important to be left to generals, the world of money is too important to us all to be left to financiers.

Mr. Whittam Smith argued that more regulation might not be the answer: "We're dealing with cultural deficiencies. If there's anybody who should think about these sorts of deficiencies, it's the Church." At one level, this seems to have been recognised by the appointment of the Bishop of Durham to a cross party parliamentary committee of inquiry on the subject.

Financial crises and scandals recur down the centuries because we are not very good at learning the lessons of history and theology. A secularised world ignores theology, but if it took seriously the New Testament's teaching on the corrupting capacity of money, and the craggy Christian doctrine of original sin, we might not get ourselves into such a mess quite so often. I'm sure Mr. Whittam Smith is right to suggest that we need to rediscover a more responsible business ethic than the "greed is good" which has reigned in the world's financial institutions in recent decades. Some theological realism would also suggest that something more than good intentions is also required. The sums of money involved in what could be accurately described as gambling, are of scale unimaginable to most of us. I am not even sure what a trillion is.

But these are not victimless crimes: the living standards of countless millions of people, the very survival of the poorest, are threatened by these financial manipulations.

Nor is this a matter of left vs. right. Conservative political doctrine, because it was based on a Christian understanding of human fallibility, used to be rightly suspicious of the power of institutions and of the clarion calls of radicals, fascist or communist. If we are right to question the competence and power of the state, we are surely equally right to question financial institutions which seem incapable of either regulating or even managing themselves; of doing business in a responsible or even a legal way.

I say this as one who has spent his whole working life on a clergy stipend and in a tied house, but who has to think like most of you about where we are going to live and what on when we retire. I am paid now pretty much the same as when I was ordained and I will continue at that level until I retire. The only bonuses I have ever received have been occasional book token or bottle. I make no complaint about this: my financial situation is much better than that of many. It has no doubt been helped by the fact that we were brought up in hard working families where the very idea of being in debt was considered the road to ruin. Meanwhile, our society has encouraged a credit card culture which

has enabled people to live as though debts never had to be paid. Now we are discovering that is not true.

In the meantime, we have to pay attention to the state of the finances of All Saints. When we look back over recent years, we can take some pride in the successful restoration of the church. This has involved raising and spending well over £2 million. This has been brought in without spending a single penny on professional fundraisers.

A common consequence of special appeals in parishes is that regular giving goes into decline. In our case it has levelled out. In part this has been the result of generous givers dying or moving away. We have also had to spend a lot of money on bringing our residential properties at No. 6 and No. & Margaret Street up to legal requirements. . The effect of this has been to exhaust the PCC@s, so that it has nothing with which to meet a deficit. We ran a deficit of around £5,000 last year and the treasurer anticipates a larger one this year. We are doing all that we can to keep spending under control, but the reality is that major savings can only be made by cutting one or other of our core activities: a priest or office staff or choral evensong, for example. I do not imagine that any of us think this is the way to go. But if it is not, we must increase giving from the regular congregation. To that end, I will be writing to everyone on the Electoral

Roll in the next few weeks to invite you to do something about this for the church which we all love and whose work we surely wish to continue and grow. I trust that by the time of our Dedication Festival, when we give thanks for this church, I will be able to announce that we are in a much happier situation.

In the meantime, I hope that the holiday period will be a refreshing one for us all, even if we do not see much more of the sun.

Yours in Christ,

Alan Moses

THE COURTYARD



The miserable weather we have been enduring this “summer” has meant that the courtyard has not been as thronged as usual with people taking a break from their offices. However, our courtyard gardening team has not been idle. Janet Drake and her helpers have re-varnished all but one of the benches. New litter bins, located by Fr. John, have made coping with the large amounts of packaging from takeaway lunches easier. After a sunny day, both need to be emptied if there is to be any space for the next day’s rubbish.

“MEEKLY KNEELING UPON YOUR KNEES”

The promised new runners for the altar steps at both High Altar and Lady Altar have now arrived. The combination of pile and underlay means that they make kneeling for Holy Communion less of a penitential exercise than it has been of late or indeed was with the old runners. The new ones also have a grip underneath and so remain in place rather than sliding about as their predecessors did.

Those of you whose knees are rather beyond kneeling, however soft the landing, are welcome to stand to receive the sacrament. If you do, it will help those administering the chalice, if you could guide the chalice gently to your lips by placing your fingers on its base. I know some people hesitate to touch the chalice out of a spirit of reverence, but it is much safer to do so if the person who is administering is either taller or shorter than you and the chalice is either very full or nearly empty; when accidents are most likely to happen.

THE VICAR’S TRAVELS

“Nice of you to pop in to see us,” joked one parishioner before a lunchtime mass recently. I realise that I have been away quite a bit over the last week of June and the beginning of July.

First, I travelled to Gloucestershire to lead the diocesan ordination retreat at Glenfall House. There were nine to be

ordained deacon and nine for the priesthood. I wondered what a heavily rural group would make of a West End parish priest, but they were attentive and friendly and I felt privileged to be accompanying them as they embarked on their new ministries.



To my surprise, I discovered that I had already met one of the candidates who had been on placement at St. Paul's, Rossmore Road last year. Another is curate in the parish of Cam and Stinchcombe where we used to holiday with friends when our children were young. She now takes communion to those same friends at home. Small world!

I then preached in the cathedral at the ordination of priest on Saturday and the next day at the ordination of deacons. I could be seen at the back of an ordination photograph in the Church Times. After being given a lunch by Canon Celia Thompson, I was whisked to the station in order to get home in time for Fr. Anders Bergquist's silver jubilee mass at St. John's Wood Church.

A day at home, included a trip to All Saints Convent at Oxford to visit Sister Jean Margaret and John Welch, both of whom have been unwell. The next

day brought a journey to Newcastle to preach at Fr. Alun Ford's first mass in St. George's, Jesmond. One of the other priests present was Fr. Kevin Scully of St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green, and like Alun an All Saints Ordinand.



Fr Alun Ford

I returned home for the funeral of Sandra Allan. Sandra and I had planned her funeral service when she already knew that she had leukaemia and that she might not survive. A music teacher, she had chosen the music with care. Her family and friends who gathered at the church approved of her choice. Her cousin Barry read one of the lessons and a former pupil led the prayers. The sermon at the mass can be found in this issue.

The next day brought another train journey; this time to York for the meeting of General Synod, where I met up with Aiden Hargreaves-Smith. As most of you will have heard and read much about it, I will say no more, except that we have to do it all again in November – but this time in London. One of the joys of being in York is to

worship in the Minster where I was able to catch up with our former organ scholar, David Pipes who is the Assistant Director of Music and was playing the organ at the Synod Eucharist.

Since then, I have been to Walsingham with a group of clergy for a meeting with Bishop Lindsay Irwin, the Administrator of the Shrine. This was in the week before our own parish pilgrimage was due there. I was not there to warn him about what he was about to receive. We were staying in Fr. Michael Bowie's house which boasts a pianola and we spent a happy hour singing hymns and songs from the shows. Fr. John was also able to entertain our pilgrims at the house of his former vicar. He has not yet mastered the operation of the pianola, but who knows what next year might hold.

Rather shorter journeys have been made on successive Saturdays for the pleasant duty of blessing the new homes of parishioners: Sergio and Emma Cardoso and Will and Natalie Benitez-Castellano. Let no one say we are not international at All Saints!

FUNERALS

Michael Easton was the brother of Robert, a former parishioner who now lives in Australia. Michael died in a canoeing accident in India where he lived and worked. His funeral took place at All Saints on 21st June.

John Gadney was the husband of an old friend of All Saints, the organist Jane Parker-Smith. Their marriage was blessed at All Saints almost 17 years ago. John became ill with cancer about four years ago. He was prepared for confirmation by Fr. Peter McGeary and confirmed at home by the Bishop of London. He survived and when well enough would worship at High Mass. On the night before he died, Jane called me to go to Pembridge House, the palliative care unit at St. Charles' Hospital. John seemed unconscious as I gave John the last rites. No sooner had I finished than he woke up and smiled at me. I told him that I had just anointed him and he replied, "I know." So we started again and he was able to receive Holy Communion with Jane. It turned out to be the last time, viaticum –bread for the journey. John died peacefully the next day. His funeral service was held at All Saints on 25th June and Fr. McGeary preached the sermon.

PAUL BROUGH TO LEAVE ASMS in 2113



Photo by Ruth Jamieson – The Old Market

After nearly 10 years at All Saints, Paul now wishes to have the freedom to explore new opportunities in his

increasingly busy professional career. Paul has contributed a major amount in improving the music tradition at All Saints and we are deeply grateful for all he has achieved. We give thanks for all that he has given and look forward to the coming months. We will announce at a later date details of opportunities to pay a fuller tribute to Paul's work here.

We are grateful that Paul has given us such a long period of notice, leaving at 28th April 2013. The search for a replacement will begin after the summer holidays, and our intention is that the new Director of Music will be in post as soon as Paul leaves.

ROYAL DEVOTION: MONARCHY AND THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER



A group of a dozen or so from All Saints and the Annunciation Marble Arch went to Lambeth Palace on Saturday 7 July to visit the latest in a series of important exhibitions in the library. With the 350th anniversary of the Prayer Book of 1662 and the Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth it was

fitting to review the particular relationship that exists in our country between monarchy and religion. Besides the 1662 book itself Thomas Cranmer's first edition of 1549 was on view along with prayers revised in the handwriting of Charles I and Queen Anne. We also saw the prayer books used at the weddings of Queen Victoria, the coronation of Elizabeth II and books owned by Richard III, Henry VIII and Elizabeth I. Relics have an honoured place in Christianity and this exhibition brought alive the hinterland of our own tradition. Annotations and crossings-out in books are a testament to the (sometimes disturbing) vitality of our national church. Fr Gerald

ALMA Linking the Churches in Angola, London and Mozambique

“Thank you very much for All Saints’ exceedingly generous donation of £1,149.76 in support of the Diocese of London Lent Appeal for ‘Giving Ministry Wheels’. It is most welcome. Please will you thank all participants on ALMA’s behalf and let them know that your gift has been credited to the ALMA Fund established by the Diocese of London to help resources the church in Angola and Mozambique in our three sister dioceses of Angola, Lebombo (Southern Mozambique) and Niassa (Northern Mozambique).

Our partner churches have extremely large dioceses (the smallest being 1.5 times the size of the UK) and to carry out their varied ministry, need to travel large distances over mainly very poor

or almost non-existent roads. These are at times almost impassable, causing major wear and tear, so the use of a reliable 4x4 is essential. As one Angolan archdeacon said, “we are willing to do the work of God but have not transport to facilitate the work of God.” The aim was to raise £60,000 through the Diocesan Lent Appeal in order to provide each diocese with a second hand 4x4 vehicle.

Wednesday 15 August
THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



6.30pm High Mass Preacher: The Revd Dr James Hawkey, Minor Canon and Sacrist, Westminster Abbey. Music: Missa Brevis in G, Mozart; Ave Maria, Mendelssohn. Low Masses at 8am and 1:10pm



THE CELL OF OLW & Friends
SEPTEMBER 1st Tour of Cathedral and visit to St. Cross, Winchester.

We will leave on the 9:35am train from London Waterloo Train Station returning on the 7:25pm Train from

Winchester. The day will include A visit to Winchester Cathedral, Mass, we can picnic around the Cathedral. 2:30pm we are expected at St Cross, where the Master of St Cross will welcome us, we can take the Dole Followed by a Tour taken by Brothers 3.30 Tea & Cakes, 4.30 make for Cathedral for Evensong (5.30)

Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 September OPEN HOUSE LONDON

- All Saints will be participating again in this annual showcase of significant buildings in London. We will be open for viewing 10am to 5pm on Saturday and 1pm to 5pm on the Sunday. John Forde will give talks at 2pm on both days.

Members of the Churchwatch team, and others, are asked to volunteer to help man the church at those times when we expect large numbers of visitors. Please contact Chris Self or the Parish Office if you can help in this way.

FRIDAY 16TH NOVEMBER



Penny Mordaunt MP, (Portsmouth North) and friend to All Saints, Margaret Street is arranging for the Parish a **Tour of Parliament on 16th November**. A maximum number of 60

people can attend, so please book your place with Fr John Pritchard as soon as possible.

johnapritchard@hotmail.co.uk The tour starts at 10am and will last 75 minutes. **The Tours are free, but we are suggesting that we all make a £10 donation towards Phase 4 of the Restoration Appeal.** Please send cheques to All Saints c/o Dennis Davis, the Parish Administrator, or Fr John, made payable to All Saints PCC Restoration Appeal. Details of where to meet will follow.

TEACHING MINISTRY

At the second of the Anglican Catholic Future series which examined the subject of Eucharistic Devotion, Fr. Peter Groves gave us the theology and we then did the “practical” in the service of Benediction.

The next in the series will be on 17th October at ALL SAINTS MARGARET STREET (note change of venue). The subject will be devotion to Mary and the speaker is to be the Revd. Dr. Cally Hammond, Dean of Gonville and Caius College in Cambridge and author of three books on the mysteries of the rosary.

6:30pm mass, talk followed by refreshment

PIC OF OUR LADY

THE INTERIOR DECORATION OF ALL SAINTS, THE FATHERS OF THE CHURCH.



The Latin Fathers

The richly-decorated chancel at All Saints' Margaret Street includes murals depicting some of the Fathers of the Church, theologians of ancient Christianity whose teachings were influential in the nineteenth century revival of catholic liturgy and thought in Anglicanism. On the north side, a group of four western Fathers are depicted according to iconographic conventions established in the medieval period, each with specific attributes that clearly conveys his identity.

On the south however a group of eastern or Greek Fathers process towards the altar dressed, apart from some differences in colour, almost identically in the omophorion, equivalent to the pallium of the western Church. The artist has offered some assistance to the keen-eyed by including the name of each in a

nimbus or halo, but the most distinctive features are the scrolls they carry, which include quotations from their works. These are in the original Greek, in an authentic uncial script like that of Codex Sinaiticus, contemporary with them and parts of which are in the British Library.

The four quotations were chosen carefully to reflect something of the significance of each theologian and his contribution.



Comper's Greek Church Fathers

The first is St Gregory Nazianzen (c.329-89), one of the Cappadocian Fathers, along with Basil the Great (see below) and Basil's brother Gregory Nyssen. Gregory was deeply involved in the controversies that established the doctrine of the Trinity in its orthodox form and contributed the term "procession" as a way of defining the Spirit's relation to the Father.

The quote on his scroll comes from his Oration 28, known as the second

"Theological Oration"; he prays "that one illumination may come upon us from the One God, One in diversity, diverse in Unity (Oration 28.1; PG 36:25D). The Trinity is not merely an object of our contemplation, but the source of the grace that allows proper understanding.

Second is St Athanasius of Alexandria (c.296-373), another advocate of the Nicene doctrine of the unity and co-equality of Father and Son during the mid-fourth century when many opposed it (or as Jerome dramatically put it, "the world woke and groaned to find itself Arian"). Athanasius' commitment to belief that the Son was "of one substance with the Father" was not merely academic; salvation, he argued, depended on the incarnation of the one true God rather than of some subordinate. Hence he famously said in his work *On the Incarnation*, as quoted in his scroll at All Saints', "'He became human that we might become divine" (On the Incarnation 54:3; PG 25:192B). This notion of salvation as a form of theosis or divinization has been influential in subsequent eastern and mystical theology. Third is Gregory's friend St Basil of Caesarea (c.329-79), "the Great". Basil's treatise *On the Holy Spirit* was the most important vindication of the full divinity of the third person of the Trinity up to that point, and his leadership was crucial to the eventual resolution of the trinitarian controversy. His scroll contains a quote from that work that emphasizes

both the reality and divine sovereignty of the third person: "The Spirit is a living essence, mistress of sanctification" (On the Holy Spirit 18.46; PG 32.53A).

Last of the four in the chancel is the greatest preacher of the Greek East of the time, St John Chrysostom (c.337-407). John's contribution and reputation had less to do with doctrinal disputes than with the witness of the Church in the world. John's famous Homilies on the Statues are a model of public theology, and of meeting what was then a new challenge, to live as citizens both of the present state and of the kingdom of God. In this quotation, from another set of sermons, he characteristically urges his hearers: "Let us learn to be critical of human honours, rather than desiring them " (Homilies on John 42.5; PG 54:291A).

Article submitted by The Reverend Dr. Andrew McGowan, Warden of Trinity College, The University of Melbourne: A historian of early Christianity.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL - FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st 2011 (Part 4)

People continued

We also note with sadness the following deaths- Virginia Smith, Guida Crowley, Joan Williams, Nada Pobjoy, Patrick Downing Spencer, Friedermann Golka, Richard O'Connor, Norman Bewicke Caplin,

Philip Gould, Peter Priem, The Rev John Stott, Fr. Alan Fudge, Mary Burton and Nora Pappoe.

Patrick Spencer

Patrick was a worshiper at All Saints for more than sixty years, and in his time was a server, member of the PCC and reader at High Mass. He was a man of strongly held views, which he would robustly defend, but would not allow a difference of opinion to mar a friendship. He seemed to notice those who were different in some way, and would go out of his way to talk to them, and make them feel welcome. He was passionate about music, especially that here at All Saints, and also a long term Prom goer. Family was all important to Patrick, and he was proud of the achievements of his children and grandchildren. Patrick had not been in the best of health for some time, but nothing could daunt his spirit.

Norman Caplin

Like Patrick, Norman's association with All Saints goes back to the days of the Choir School, and he was Honorary Assistant Organist, working with Dr Arnold, Dr Brama, and finally Paul Brough. His professional life was spent in insurance with Lloyds, which gave him the security to pursue his many interests. He was a talented amateur, whose dedication and standard would put many a professional to shame. His lasting legacy to All Saints is of course the music he wrote especially for the choir

here. Norman had suffered ill health for many years, but he too bore it all with courage and great spirit.

Mary Burton

Unlike Patrick and Norman, both of whom had been unwell for some time, Mary appeared to be in good health, and so her sudden death came as a great shock. Mary took a full and lively part in the life of All Saints; she was a sidesman, and a member of the Cell of Our Lady, indeed she was at a Cell meeting on the day before her death. It was, as we noted earlier, through her persistence that we received a grant from the Lloyd Webber Foundation towards the restoration.

Philip, Lord Gould of Brookwood

Philip first came to All Saints about four years ago, when his health was already failing. He was prepared for confirmation here, and when well enough was a regular on Sunday evenings. That so many politicians, colleagues and friends were present at his funeral is a tribute to a man who played an important role in the Country's recent political history.

Friends of All Saints

The Friends of All Saints continue to contribute so much to the life of the Parish, not only by their financial support, but also by their prayers. Juliet Windham continues as Secretary to the Friends and through regular letters keeps them up to date with everything that goes on. We thank

them all for their support during the last year.

The Music Department

On September 11 we said farewell to Henry Parkes, who leaves us to take up a junior Research Fellowship at Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge. There was a presentation to Henry after the High Mass, when the Vicar and The Director of Music paid tribute to him, and the enormous contribution he has made to the music. We wish him well for the future, and hope that we will continue to see him from time to time. The following Sunday we welcomed his successor, Charles (Charlie) Andrews, who comes to us with an impressive record. He has very quickly settled in to life here at All Saints. James Perkins remained with us for a second year as our Organ Scholar, and is very much part of the musical scene. As ever, the choir continues to maintain the very high standard which we are accustomed to, and Paul Brough, the Director of Music continues lead them all with dedication and enthusiasm.

The Servers

There have been changes too in the serving team; Patrick Cook left us to undertake postgraduate studies in Cambridge. He is now well settled and attending Little Saint Mary's Church, a church well known to us here at All Saints. Samuel Aldred joined the ranks of the servers, and it was good to welcome home Jeremy Tayler, together with Maura, Blanche and

Genevre. In addition to their service in the Sanctuary, which is often at very short notice, the servers carry out a wide range of other tasks behind the scenes. In all this they continue to be led by Cedric Stephens. It is very easy to take them and all that they do for granted, because they are always there, but we must not do so, and the Council wishes to place on record its thanks to them all.

Backstage Volunteers

Without the dedication of our band of volunteers, many of the things which happen at All Saints just would not. Kate Burling continues as our Sacristan, washing and ironing etc. to make sure that all goes smoothly. The list of tasks undertaken by our volunteers is too long to spell out in detail, but includes folding service sheets, 'stuffing envelopes' cleaning, and arranging flowers.

We would like to thank all those who contribute in any way, but in particular to Jean Castldine, Chris Ellis, Rosemary Harris and Ray Oram.

Martin Woolley and Jasmine Cullingford continue to be responsible for the rosters for the readers at High Mass and the participants in the Offertory procession. Unfortunately both Martin and Jasmine were victims of cycling accidents this year; Martin has now recovered and Jasmine is well on the way to recovery. Martin also continues to make sure that we recycle as much waste as possible, thus

ensuring that we do make an effort to contribute towards a greener environment.

The Ministry of welcome is of great importance. As mentioned earlier, during the week members of the Church Watch team are on hand to welcome visitors. On Sundays and major services, the Sidesman, under the direction of Keith Postance are there to welcome, and hand out service sheets and hymn books.

The Parish Shop continued to function in the Parish Room on Sundays (when not being used by the Conservation Team), where Christine Auton together with Myrtle Hughes, Priscilla Oakeshott and others sell a wide variety of items in aid of church funds. The shop generates some welcome income for the church, and acts as a space where people can meet. The bar and courtyard continue to be the venue for most social gatherings at All Saints.

The Council would like to say a special thank you to the Bar Management Committee, Kate Hodgetts (the bar steward) and all those who serve behind the bar. Also to those who provide refreshments week by week on Sundays.

Without the dedication and generous giving of their time of our many volunteers, the activities here at All Saints would have to be severely curtailed, and we would all be the

poorer for that. We thank everyone involved, but would like to point out that there can never be too many volunteers, and we urge people to ask themselves 'is there anything that I can do to help'.

The Parish Office

There have been changes in the Parish Office this year. On the Sunday after Ascension we said farewell to Anne Merritt, who retired after thirteen years as our Parish Secretary. Anne had been a worshipper at All Saints in the past, and so already had a connection with the place before coming to work here. A presentation was made to her after the High Mass, to thank her for all her years of dedicated service.

Anne's place in the office was taken by Sinead Burniston. Like Anne, she had a prior connection with All Saints, as her father was a choirboy here. Sinead has settled in very well, and we hope that she too has a long association with us.

Good communications are vital for a parish like All Saints, and so towards the end of the year, a parish e-mail service was launched, and it is hoped that the web-site will be 're-vamped' in the New Year.

Dennis Davis, the Parish Administrator continues to cope admirably with the wide range of tasks which he is called upon to undertake. In particular we would like to thank him for all the assistance which he gives to the Treasurer.

The Churchwardens

We are extremely fortunate here at All Saints in having as our Churchwardens John Forde and Chris Self. Their individual talents and strengths are complimentary and lead to what might be described as a 'formidable' team. They are both very aware of the responsibilities that the Office of Churchwarden brings with it, and carry out their duties with that very much in mind. Much of what they do is behind the scenes, and so not necessarily appreciated as much as it should be. The Council wishes to place on record its thanks to John and Chris for all they have done for the Parish in the last year.

The Clergy

Now that Fr. Beauchamp has moved out of Number 6 Margaret Street, it is inevitable that we see less of him than in the past. However he still takes great interest in all that goes on here, and contributes greatly to our common life. Likewise, Fr. Browning, who continues, with his to the point sermons, and common sense attitude to life to enrich the lives of all those who come into contact with him. Fr. Pritchard, has settled in very quickly to what must be a very different environment from that in which he was previously working, and has already made a significant impact here. The Vicar has many responsibilities which take him away from All Saints from time to time, but his priority is, as it has always been is his flock here. It right therefore that he should give his

perspective on the events of the last year-

It is a great pleasure to conclude this record of another year in the life of All Saints. In one sense, All Saints carries out its mission by doing what it has always done: celebrating the liturgy, being a place of prayer, teaching the faith and giving pastoral care. But in another it manages to stay the same by not standing still.

The past year has seen the completion of Phase 3 of the internal restoration. Apart from small sections, there is not much left to do in the way of cleaning and restoration. That does not mean that we do not have much to do. Exploratory work on the next phase: "Heat, Light and Sound", has already begun. This will take very careful thought and preparation, if the work is to be as successful as that which has already been completed.

In the meantime, before we begin active fund-raising for the next phase of restoration we must put our regular finances in order. It is a difficult balancing act for parishes involved in restoration programmes to fund-raise for the one while maintaining the general giving which supports the on-going life and work. We have been remarkably successful in doing this over the years of restoration, but a combination of things- bringing the accommodation in No.8 up to standard and replacing the heating at No.6- along with the turnover of people,

which is a fact of life in central London, **has pushed us into deficit.**

If we are to continue to build our work, then we must rectify this situation as soon as possible. After Easter we will be contacting all those on our Electoral Roll to invite them to give fresh consideration to their financial support of All Saints. These are difficult and uncertain economic times, I know, but I am sure that everyone connected with All Saints wishes its work to continue and indeed grow as it ministers both to the people of its parish, its regular congregation, and to many from far beyond, for whom it is a second spiritual home.

Alan Moses

Alan Moses

5th March, 2012

100 YEARS AGO

The Confraternity of Prayer for the Conversion of London

The Vicar wrote:

On Saturday, June 29th, and on Wednesday, July 3rd, we had three gatherings of those who hope to join our Confraternity. We distributed little papers of suggestion as to the way to spend that half-hour of prayer and asked our friends to begin at one to keep their half-hour a week and test themselves between now and the 8th of November. Mr. Garnier has drawn up

six charts for the six week days, and already the members of Division I are able between them to fill a good many hours of the week with intercession at the prayer desk which is placed before the Lady Altar. The half-hour, from half past six to seven is full every morning. On Mondays and Saturdays, the continuous intercession begins at noon, because up to that hour the church is being cleaned, on other days it begins at nine.

A large number of people have joined Division II, the members of which take their half-hour a week where and when they can. The communities of All Saints, St. Mary at Wantage, the Holy Cross and St. Margaret at East Grinstead, are already helping in our work. I have not counted, but I think between five and six hundred persons are now praying together for London. Between now and November 8th, we shall be gathering our forces, and on that day we hope to distribute the tiny silver crosses after a general Communion, and the Confraternity will be formally inaugurated. We must send the little crosses to those who cannot come to All Saints. I explained at the meetings that the object of the Confraternity is simply prayer for London; that is all, there is no further obligation of any sort. Members of Division I fit in their half-hour with a scheme which aims at making this Intercession continuous at the prayer desk before the Lady Altar.

When we meet again in October we shall announce the times of the weekly eucharists in All Saints for the

conversion of London and also the times of the monthly instructions for any members of the Confraternity who may care to come to them. The yearly Festival will be, I hope, on the Octave of All Saints, the anniversary of the inauguration. But let me say once more that a member is not bound to attend either the weekly Eucharists, the monthly instruction, or the yearly Festival. They only pledge themselves to send one half-hour a week in prayer for the conversion of London.



SUNDAYS & FEAST DAYS

MUSIC & READINGS

SUNDAY 5 AUGUST

TRINITY 9

HIGH MASS AT 11.00am

<i>Entrance Hymn:</i>	297
<i>Introit:</i>	Ecce Deus
<i>Mass:</i>	Collegium Regale —Howells
<i>Lessons:</i>	Exodus 16: 2-4, 9-15; Psalm 78, 14-25; Ephesians 4: 1-16
<i>Hymn:</i>	345
<i>Gospel:</i>	John 6: 24-35
<i>Preacher:</i>	Fr John Pritchard
<i>Creed:</i>	Credo II
<i>Anthem:</i>	Ave verum corpus —Elgar
<i>Hymns:</i>	276 (ii), 292 (ii), 368
<i>Voluntary:</i>	Master Tallis's testament- Howells

SOLEMN EVENSONG AT 6.00pm

<i>Psalm:</i>	88
<i>Lessons:</i>	Job 28; Hebrews 11: 17-31
<i>Office Hymn:</i>	150 (R)
<i>Canticles:</i>	Service in G —Sumsion
<i>Anthem:</i>	Prevent us, O Lord —Byrd
<i>Preacher:</i>	The Vicar, Prebendary Alan Moses
<i>Hymn:</i>	362 (T 185; v 3 Descant—Caplin)

BENEDICTION

O Salutaris: Franck
Hymn: 390
Tantum Ergo: Franck
Voluntary: Prière —Franck

SUNDAY 12 AUGUST

TRINITY 10

HIGH MASS AT 11am

Entrance Hymn: 271 (v 4 Descant—Caplin)
Introit: Dum clamarem
Mass: Mass for four voices —Byrd
Lessons: 1 Kings 19: 4-8; Psalm 34. 1-8
Ephesians 4: 25- 5: 2
Hymn: 364 (T 408 (i))
Gospel: John 6: 35, 41-51
Preacher: The Vicar, Prebendary Alan Moses
Anthem: O sacrum convivium —Guerrero
Hymns: 274, 305, 392
Voluntary: Prelude and Fugue in C minor
BWV 546 —Bach

SOLEMN EVENSONG AT 6.00pm

Psalm: 91
Lessons: Job 39: 1- 40: 4; Hebrews 12: 1-17
Office Hymn: 150 (S)
Canticles: The Short Service —Ayleward
Anthem: Oculi omnium —Wood
Preacher: Fr John Pritchard
Hymn: 340 (T 475)

BENEDICTION

O Salutaris: Sheppard
Hymn: 278
Tantum Ergo: Duruflé
Voluntary: Improvisation on ‘Pange lingua’
- Brough

SUNDAY 15 AUGUST

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

HIGH MASS AT 6.30pm

Entrance Hymn: 188 (ii)
Introit: Signum magnum
Mass: Missa Brevis in G —Mozart
Lessons: Revelations 11: 19, 12: 6, 10
Galatians 4: 4-7
Hymn: 185 (v 4 Descant—Caplin)
Gospel: Luke 1: 46-55
Preacher: The Revd Dr James Hawkey,
Minor Canon & Sacrist, Westminster Abbey
Creed: Credo III
Anthem: Ave Maria —Mendelssohn

Hymns: 182, 183, 186
Voluntary: Fuga sopra il Magnificat —Bach

SUNDAY 19 AUGUST

TRINITY 11

HIGH MASS AT 11.00am

Entrance Hymn: 473 (ii)
Introit: Deus in loco sancto
Mass: Missa Brevis —Andrea Gabrieli
Lessons: Proverbs 9: 1-6; Psalm 34: 9-14;
Ephesians 5: 15-20
Hymn: 451
Gospel: John 6: 51-58
Preacher: Fr John Pritchard
Creed: Credo II
Anthem: Panis angelicus —Franck
Hymns: 384 (v 4 Descant—Caplin), 287, 336
Voluntary: Toccata in E minor
BWV 914 —Bach

SOLEMN EVENSONG AT 6.00pm

Psalm: 92, 100
Lessons: Exodus 2: 23- 3: 10
Office Hymn: 150 (R)
Canticles: Service in F —Ireland
Anthem: Ave Maria —Stravinsky
Preacher: Fr Neil Bunker
Hymn: 439 (i)

BENEDICTION

O Salutaris: Harry Brama (No 1)
Hymn: 406
Tantum ergo: Harry Brama (No 1)
Voluntary: Méditation (Symphonie I)
—Widor

SUNDAY 26 AUGUST

TRINITY 12

HIGH MASS AT 11.00am

Entrance Hymn: 311 (T A&MR 401)
Introit: Deus in adjutorium
Mass: Mass in G minor —Rheinberger
Lessons: Joshua 24: 1-2a, 14-18
Psalm 34: 15-22; Ephesians 6: 10-20
Hymn: 449
Gospel: John 6: 56-59
Preacher: Fr John Pritchard
Creed: Credo III
Anthem: Ave Maria —Fauré
Hymns: 300, 302, 453
Voluntary: Offertoire sur les Grands Jeux
—Couperin

SOLEMN EVENSONG AT 6.00pm

Psalm: 116
Lessons: Exodus 4: 27- 5: 1; Hebrews 13
Office Hymn: 150 (S)
Canticles: Service in G (upper voices)
Sumsion
Anthem: O viridissima virga
Hildegard of Bingen
Preacher: Fr Neil Bunker
Hymn: 410

BENEDICTION

O Salutaris: Caplin (No 2)
Hymn: 464
Tantum ergo: Caplin (No 2)
Voluntary: Adagio (Symphonie III) —Vierne

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CALENDAR AND INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST 2012

1		The homeless
2		Unity
3		Those in need
4	<i>Jean-Baptiste Vianney, cure d'Ars</i>	Society of All Saints' Sisters of the Poor
5	9th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	OUR PARISH AND PEOPLE
6	Transfiguration of Our Lord	Renewal in Holiness
7	<i>John Mason Neale</i>	Church musicians
8	St Dominic	Friends of All Saints
9	Mary Sumner	Unity
10	St Laurence	Those in need
11	St Clare of Assisi; <i>John Henry Newman</i>	Religious
12	10th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	OUR PARISH AND PEOPLE
13	Jeremy Taylor; <i>Florence Nightingale;</i> <i>Octavia Hill</i>	Teachers of the Faith
14	St Maximillian Kolbe	Martyrs of our time
15	THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	
		Walsingham
16	v for Unity	Christian Unity
17		Those in need
18		Altar Servers
19	11th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	OUR PARISH AND PEOPLE
20	St Bernard; <i>William and Catherine Booth</i>	The Salvation Army
21	r Requiem (6.30pm)	The departed
22		The unemployed
23		Unity
24	St Bartholomew the Apostle	Those in need
25		*ALMA
26	12th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	OUR PARISH AND PEOPLE
27	St Monica	Joyfulness in our Faith
28	St Augustine	Theologians
29	Beheading of John the Baptist	The Paralympic Games
30	John Bunyan	Spiritual Writers
31	St Aidan	Iona Community

Please note: All Friday Masses are for 'those in need'. Intercessions from the board inside church are used on those days

r – the monthly Requiem, 6.30pm this month

v – a Votive Mass

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