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*We hope for as many in our Corpus Christi procession this year
(Thursday 20 June High Mass, 6.30pm) as joined us in 2018*

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VICAR'S LETTER

I know I'm supposed to be reducing the size of my library and I can report that substantial progress has been made. However, new books do keep appearing and bring with them temptation. One I came across in Daunts in Marylebone High Street could not be resisted. It brought together two aspects of my own story: parish ministry in Edinburgh and pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela. It is by Richard Frazer who

has been Minister of Greyfriars Kirk in Edinburgh for 25 years. He arrived not long before I left to come to London. In *Travels with a Stick* he writes about his experiences and reflections while walking as a pilgrim to Santiago de Compostela.

As he says, this is an unusual activity for someone from the Reformed tradition of the Church of Scotland, with its stern rejection of holy places and pilgrimages. His spiritual journey has led him to discover the value

of pilgrimage and to recover it not just for himself but for his Church.

On his pilgrimage he encounters, as I did, both people who are committed members of their Christian communities and many others who are not. The latter often describe themselves as “spiritual but not religious”. They are to be found in streets around All Saints as much as on the road to Santiago or Canterbury, Rome or Walsingham.

At one point, Frazer recalls the advice given to him early in his ministry by another of our Old Town clerical fraternity, Gilleasbuig Macmillan, the Minister of St Giles: **“Be aware that every now and then it may well be your task to protect those on the fringe of the Church from the people at the centre.”**

Bishop Richard Chartres used to remind archdeacons and area deans — and churchwardens too — that when we were making an appointment we were looking for a parish priest, not a chaplain to a congregation. In the Church of England a parish priest has a pastoral responsibility, the “cure of souls”, for everyone in the parish. That is just as true for a largely non-residential parish, with a large and constantly changing working population as well as its gathered worshipping congregation, as it is for a village, a market town or a suburb. It is true even when a parish church has developed a distinctive ethos and ministry which reaches far beyond its geographical bounds, as All Saints has. The challenge to both parish clergy and to regular congregations is to listen to voices from the periphery. These can all too easily go unheard amid those of regular worshippers and their immediate concerns. When the pressures of caring for listed buildings and the maintenance of a musical tradition are added to the mixture,

the challenge is only compounded.

One negative feature of city life we are becoming increasingly aware of is isolation and loneliness. Most of our regular congregation are not native-born Londoners. Our families are somewhere else. Church becomes for many our home and our family. The challenge is to keep the boundaries of this extended family open; to resist the natural tendency for it to become a closed unit for those who already belong. Most churches think of themselves as friendly and welcoming, but that is not always the experience of newcomers left standing alone in church hall or courtyard while the regulars talk to their friends. There should not be those who come only once because no one spoke to them.

Church ‘families’ are as challenging as any others. If you watched the recent television programme which followed a group of celebrities walking the pilgrimage route to Rome, you will know that some of these challenges can be as mundane as snoring in communal sleeping areas. None of us knows that we snore until someone else tells us! This is something I have to point out to some of our daytime sleepers when I have woken them up before Mass because they are making too much noise. Differences of opinion about belief can bring stresses and strains in any community. Our nation is experiencing that over Brexit at the moment. Voices become more strident, positions more intransigent and polarized. People stop speaking to each other. But the shared experience of walking together can hold people together in a shared humanity.

Encounters on pilgrimage, even when they are quite profound, are usually short-term. A good deal of the ministry of a church like All Saints is like this, too. People come, perhaps only once. Their coming and going

is often unnoticed, except perhaps by one of the clergy or a church watcher or a weekday worshipper. Sometimes we hear only years later, if ever, what these encounters or visits have meant to people. It's not always the kind of thing you put on *Trip Advisor*.

At a recent Two Cities Area Staff meeting, our newly-appointed Area Director of Parish Development, the Revd Adam Atkinson, quoted something said recently by Fr Raniero Cantalamessa, the Preacher to the Papal Household. Leading a retreat for Roman Catholic Bishops in the United States, he said in one of his addresses:

“In various parts of the Christian world, the Parable of the Lost Sheep is being lived out in reverse: ninety-nine sheep have gone away and only one has remained in the sheepfold. The danger is that we spend all of our time nourishing the one remaining sheep and, due to the scarcity of clergy, don't have time to go out in search of the sheep who are lost.”

The challenge is not to abandon feeding those who are already in the fold but to find ways of doing so that prepare them to play an active part in searching out the ninety-nine who are not. This does not mean that everyone has to become a specialist in evangelism. There are varieties of gifts and of callings. For many of our people their Christian discipleship is to be lived out in their working lives or their communities. What we do together in worship and prayer should encourage and sustain them in that.

Pilgrimage has a rhythm and a pace of its own and this has something to teach us. Richard Frazer admits that he had to learn the important lesson that it is not about rushing to get somewhere as quickly as possible, but about taking time. Much of what goes on in the life of a church like All

Saints may seem not very exciting. We do the same things day-in-day-out. But it is this setting out on each day, this putting of one foot in front of the other, this paying attention to the disciplines of our spiritual journey, which is the bedrock of our work here. If it is accompanied by that awareness of what is around us which busyness and rush so often inhibit, then we are enabled to see where God is at work.

Richard Frazer and I both experienced the kindness of strangers in all sorts of ways — not least in the tending of blistered feet. We should hope that people will meet such kindness among us. But we should also be willing to accept it ourselves. It teaches us gratitude and weans us off our assumed self-sufficiency; the idea that we have all the answers, if only people would listen to us! It helps us to realize that everything does not depend on us. We are dependent on the grace of God and sometimes God sends us it from unexpected quarters.

Pilgrimage takes people out of their usual context and can allow them to ask or be asked questions which daily routine and settled life allow too little time or opportunity for. The Gospel will inevitably ask questions of people, but first it will ask them of us.

The Diocese of London has embarked on a questioning process as it prepares for what comes after the Capital Vision 2020 programme. Bishop Sarah writes that *‘It's time to listen once again to what God is saying to us in the life of this great city. Your responses will shape our diocesan vision for the next 10 years. I hope the exercise will inspire your church mission plans as well.’*

The PCC is going to spend time at its June meeting preparing a response, but anyone is welcome to respond.

***The online survey can be found at:
2030vision@london.anglican.org.***

We can all spend some time praying about it in the days between Ascension and Pentecost as we share in “Thy Kingdom Come”.

Yours in Christ,

Alan Moses

PEOPLE

Sister Frances Dominica ASSP

The Vicar, Theresa Moses and Cedric Stephens were guests at the celebration of Sr Frances Dominica’s diamond jubilee of her religious profession. Mass was celebrated in the Church of St Mary and St John on the Cowley Road, the parish church of the convent.

Chris Self

As many of you know, Chris had to go home from church early on Palm Sunday as he was feeling unwell. He ended up in St Mary’s Hospital, Paddington, and had surgery during Holy Week. We can be thankful that the source of the problem was found and dealt with before matters became worse. After a second spell in hospital to deal with an infection, he is now home again. Further tests are imminent. Chris is feeling a little stronger each day, and hopes to be able to walk to St Cyprian’s for the Thursday lunchtime Mass before too long. In the meantime, the Vicar has been taking him the Sacrament at home.

Canon Ian Davies

Fr Ian writes:

Dear Alan, Theresa and friends at All Saints, Margaret Street,

Thank you very much for the lovely card of Christ the Good Shepherd by Burne-Jones.

It is good to know that you are praying for me and my recovery — I’m on both chemo and radiation at the moment, which is fairly exhausting. I have a tumour in my throat which is diminishing daily and the prognosis is excellent — so my spirits are good and “chipper”.

I send love, prayers and gratitude — your daily prayers are deeply valued.

Prebendary Richard Bewes RIP

Richard was Rector of All Souls, Langham Place, from 1983 until his retirement in 2004. He has died at the age of 84, after a long and faithful ministry. He was awarded the OBE for his services to the Church of England. By a happy coincidence three members of All Souls were in the congregation at the evening Mass on the Monday after his death and were grateful for our remembering him in the prayers.

HEARING CONFESSIONS

At the request of Fr Simon Buckley of St Anne’s, Soho, the Vicar led an evening of teaching on the Sacrament of Reconciliation — more commonly known as Confession — for members of the Society of Catholic Priests.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

We were richly blessed by the ministry of Fr Keith Jones during Holy Week. He has now sent us the scripts of his sermons from Palm Sunday through to Easter Day and we will publish them as quickly as possible.

LENT APPEAL 2019 UPDATE

At the time of writing, we are still getting in the last few contributions for this year’s Lent Appeal. Thank you to all those who contributed to the cash collections that followed the services for Tenebræ and Good

Friday and to the 55 congregation members who made specific cheque or online donations to the Appeal. The total to date (including applicable Gift Aid) for 2019 is **£5,574.46 (2018: £5,688)**. The monies raised will be divided between the four good causes — the Bishop of London’s *Tackling Modern Day Slavery in London* appeal (directing funds to grass roots charities) and our three Parish Projects: USPG’s *UMOJA HIV Project*; the Church Army’s *Marylebone Project* (Emergency bed at a Women’s Refuge) and the *Soup Kitchen* at the American Church on Tottenham Court Road.

HOLED BELOW THE WATERLINE

The rather alarming discovery last week that water was coming up through the drain in the floor of the fridge room below decks, led to the discovery by Thames Water that part of a main sewer deep under Margaret Street had collapsed. With the problem under the street — that is, thankfully, Thames Water’s responsibility. We have joined the ranks of those affected by the crumbling of London’s Victorian infrastructure. Thanks to the determined persistence of our Parish Administrator, Thames Water (not usually London’s favourite public utility) moved quickly to deal with the emergency. A tanker was stationed outside Church to pump out excess water at regular intervals for several days over the weekend to ensure that the situation did not get any worse. And as I write this, workmen are drilling and digging up the street below my study window to effect repairs. The hole to be dug will be four metres deep, and the signage warns that works are likely to run from 13 May until 3 June! Even allowing for potential delays... we should be done before our Corpus Christi procession passes out of the church gate and

precisely over the site of the hole! (*See p20*)

CALL for CORPUS CHRISTI and ASSUMPTION VOLUNTEERS as STEWARDS and CATERING HELPERS

With the feasts of **Corpus Christi (Thursday 20 June)** and the **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Thursday 15 August)** on the horizon once again, we make our annual appeal for volunteer Stewards to enable our outdoor processions of congregation, choir and brass to take place on the streets of London W1. We are required by law to steward our processions to keep those who take part safe and to help direct traffic as necessary when the procession crosses the roads on our route. A briefing is given on the evening and a hi-vis vest provided.

These two occasions are central to the hospitality offered at All Saints and we can always do with more people to help prepare/serve and clear up afterwards — if you felt you could help with those tasks, we should be pleased to hear from you.

Please contact Cedric Stephens T: 020 7637 7468 or Dee Prior E: office@allsaintsmargaretstreet.org.uk to let us know that you are willing to assist.

ALL SAINTS’ VISITOR FEEDBACK

With visitors from as far afield as the Canary Islands, Bangkok and Canberra, Australia, recent entries in our Visitor Book in Church include the follow comments:

Amazing — a jewel. Wonderful!

I have been coming here whilst in London since 1981.

Wonderful architecture. Good to welcome

all — even the homeless.

Thanks for keeping open. Fabulous church! Holy atmosphere!

My second visit before and after my operation nearby. Praise the Lord. Amen.

Beautiful music and liturgy. Just perfect!
Thanks for what you do (from an Italian visitor).

What a beautiful place. It feels truly spiritual.

Stunning church. Mum was in the congregation many years ago and once brought me as a baby. So lovely to return as a 34 year old.

Most beautiful church ever.

Beautiful peaceful place. Thank you.

Miraculous jewel box — Comper is a genius! (*Ed: Butterfield may be turning in his grave!*)

THY KINGDOM COME

The Archbishops of Canterbury and York have once again invited Christians of all traditions to join in prayer during the days between Ascension Day and Pentecost.

The programme at All Saints is:

Friday 31 May 6.30pm Mass with Hymns for the Feast of the Visitation, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 8pm.

Saturday 1 June: 12 noon Mass — followed by Exposition until 1.30pm

Monday to Friday: Exposition until 8pm after the Evening Mass.

Saturday 8 June: 10.30 am *“The Work of God: an Introduction to the Daily Office”*

Sunday 9 June, Pentecost: 12noon – 4pm *“Thy Kingdom Come” Beacon Event in Trafalgar Square with the Archbishop of Canterbury.*

THE ALBAN PILGRIMAGE — Saturday 22 June

Starts at 11am, St Peter’s Church, St Albans.

This year, the **Alban Pilgrimage** takes place on **St Albans Day** itself, Saturday 22 June. Roman chariots, lions and roses all take their place alongside **Alban** and Amphibalus in a dramatic procession from St Peter’s Church, through the historic streets to St Albans Cathedral.

Each year, 12ft tall carnival puppets, representing figures from the story of St Alban, take to the streets to re-enact the historic events which led to St Alban’s execution at the hands of the Romans. The puppets are accompanied by people of all ages dressed as lions, Roman soldiers, angels, chariots and more, resulting in a stunning spectacle of colour and celebration.

“As the earliest truth-teller for whom it cost his life, Alban is one of Britain’s greatest witnesses to Jesus.” — *Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury.*

After the procession arrives at the Cathedral, services take place as follows:

Immediately after the procession **Festival Eucharist** with prayers, hymns, and music from the Abbey Girls' Choir. Preacher: *The Very Revd Dr David Ison, Dean of St Paul's*.

Orthodox Service, Shrine of St Alban, 2pm a traditional prayer service in honour of St Alban in the Shrine of the Cathedral. It concludes with a veneration of the relic of St Alban. All are welcome. This service is followed at 3pm by the laying on of hands and anointing with oil, as a sign of God's healing and wholeness.

Festival Evensong, Nave of the Cathedral, 4pm This service brings the pilgrimage day to a close with music sung by the Cathedral Choir, readings and prayer. *Preacher: Diarmaid MacCulloch, Professor of the History of the Church, Oxford University*. At the end of this service, the congregation processes to the Shrine to lay roses.

St Albans publicity material also advises that you can join them in the Abbey Orchard for Alban Fest, an afternoon of fun Roman-themed activities as part of their Roman Festival, from 12pm until 6pm. www.stalbanscathedral.org.

SERMON preached by the VICAR at HIGH MASS, 4th Sunday of Easter, 2019

*Readings: Acts 9: 36 – end; Psalm 23;
Revelation 7: 9 – end; John 10: 22 – 30*

**“My sheep hear my voice. I know
them, and they follow me.”**

Today is known as Good Shepherd Sunday, because each year at Mass we hear a passage from the 10th chapter of St John's Gospel; in which Jesus calls himself the Good Shepherd.

It is a day on which the Church invites us to pray for vocations to the pastoral ministry. The Church of England is urging us to do this with a sense of urgency — for not only are Fr Beauchamp and I retiring shortly, but 40% of the clergy will do so over the next ten years. Of course, many of us will continue to minister in our “retirement”, but the Church cannot keep going on the retired for ever.

Sheep were a familiar part of the world in which Jesus lived in a way they are not for city-dwellers like us. But they are very

much part of life in the world I grew up in. When we were visiting my mother in her care home in a dales town recently we found ourselves listening in conversation about them. Jules, one of the nurses is a farmer's wife. Her husband is the sixth generation of his family to keep sheep on the same farm in the dale.

As anyone who has watched Amanda Owen's *Yorkshire Shepherdess* on television or read **James Reebank's *A Shepherd's Life*** knows, hill-farming is a hard and precarious way of making a living, and Jules has to combine her job caring for people like my mother with working on the farm.

Spring is lambing time and Jules talked of the lambs she had been raising by hand — because their mothers had died or they were the third of triplets; the one a ewe could not feed. These are called ‘pet lambs’ because you get to know them and they get to know you: they know your voice and

they follow you.

You may have noticed that in our reading from Revelation, with its vision of the worship of heaven, the adoration of God and of the Lamb by that **“great multitude which no one can count, from every nation. From all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands,”** that the Lamb is also **“their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life...”**

In the words of Psalm 23, the Lord is our shepherd, who makes us lie down in green pastures, and leads us beside still waters; who revives our souls and guides us along right pathways; who is with us even in the valley of the shadow of death so that we need fear no evil; who spreads a table before us and anoints our heads with oil; whose goodness and mercy follow us all the days of our life, so that we might dwell in his house for ever.

How does the Lamb who is also our shepherd continue to guide and lead us? How do we hear his voice? How does he tend his lambs and feed his sheep, as we heard Peter being commissioned to do in the Gospel last Sunday? Well, in part, by calling and commissioning others to share in his pastoral ministry of word and sacrament and care.

We hear his voice as he speaks to us through the scriptures as they are read and preached on in the worship of the Church; in what we are doing now. The scriptures are not just ancient texts, they are living oracles in which we hear the voice of the Good Shepherd. That is why the Church reads and listens to them week-by-week, day by day. That is why men and women

are called and set apart to study and preach on and from them. That is why our usual practice here is to preach on the readings — even when they can be hard work to preach on. Sticking to the texts saves you from the preacher’s own enthusiasms or tired ideas. It can save the preacher from the temptation to **“tickle your ears”**, to tell you only what you want to hear — because we’ll be so much more popular that way.

Preaching on the scriptures is a challenge for all of us. The preacher has to study and pray over them as he prepares; a business which can involve burning a lot of midnight or early morning oil. We all have to listen to them and meditate on them, so that we might hear and get to know the voice of Christ.

The Good Shepherd knows us, knows the sheep. Well, of course, God knows everything — he’s omniscient — as the prayer says, he knows our needs before we ask and our ignorance in asking — but he does want us to ask — for our good not his — because knowing is about more than information. It is about relationship, about companionship and communion. In worship and prayer, we come not just to know about God, but to know God and as we come to know God, so we come to know ourselves. The same applies to our human relationships if we let them work on us as they should; rather than trying to control them so that they do not disturb us.

We tend to think of pastoral care in individual terms, as a pastor counselling an individual in need or distress or grief. We might think of a priest taking the Blessed Sacrament to someone who is ill in hospital or at home; as I did for Chris on Friday afternoon; or being called to the home of the bereaved, as Peter was to the home of

Tabitha. Here at All Saints, a significant part of our ministry is with people who come to us for the sacrament of confession or spiritual direction.

But undergirding all such personal pastoral ministry is the communal one which goes on all the time in the Church's worshipping life. This is not just what happens when nothing else is going on; when there is no crisis to be faced. It is where we are prepared to face and deal with the challenges that life may throw at us; it is here that we learn to fear no evil. It is in worship that we are prepared and formed, not simply to deal with the extraordinary, but with the ordinary; to find in it our calling to witness and service. It is in these ordinary things — things which God has “ordered” for good — the “holy order” of word and sacrament, prayer and ministry — that God acts as our shepherd. If we open ourselves to hear the voice of the Good Shepherd, then we find ourselves noticing things in the world around us; needs and opportunities which might have passed us by otherwise.

And in all this, the Lord who is our Shepherd spreads a table before us to feed and strengthen us with the sacrament of his Body and Blood, the bread of eternal life, the cup which overflows with blessing; the pledges of that eternal life which no one can take from us. The more we listen to our Lord speaking to us, the more we will need and want to come to him in the sacrament.

I mentioned Tabitha or Dorcas a few moments ago, and I wrote about her in the parish email — one of the other ways in which we seek to help people hear the voice of the Good Shepherd. She represents the countless quiet practical ways in which the ministry of the Good Shepherd takes effect

through the life of the Church. It is not a clerical monopoly. People see needs and respond to them. Sometimes these needs are very local or personal — someone we know is sick or bereaved or lonely and we visit them. Sometimes they are on a much larger scale.

A couple of weeks ago, some of us went to Oxford to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the religious profession of **Sister Frances Dominica** of the All Saints Sisters of the Poor. Out of that calling came the establishment of the first hospice to care for terminally ill children and to support their families. The hospice movement, to care for the terminally ill, sprang itself from the Christian faith and inspiration of Doctor Cicely Saunders.

In the prayers at Mass today, we remember **Jean Vanier**, whose L'Arche movement, in which people with various disabilities live in community with those the world thinks of as ‘normal’, grew out of his Christian faith and his encounter with people living bleak and isolated lives in institutions.

Yesterday evening I went to Westminster Abbey for a memorial Mass for Gelda James who used to be a parishioner here. Waiting to catch a bus home, I noticed a couple puzzling over the map of bus routes. They turned out to be visitors from Mexico and after a long day of sight-seeing they were trying — without much success — to work out how to get back to their hotel. So, in a mixture of Spanish and English, I suggested that they come up to Oxford Circus on the bus with me, so that they could then catch the Central Line to Lancaster Gate and their hotel. That little piece of good shepherding accomplished, I crossed Oxford Street to

come home feeling cheered by being able to help strangers far from home; only to be accosted by a young American who had spotted my clerical attire and homed in on me like a smart bomb.

“Are you going to All Souls?” he asked. I said, no, I was on my way to All Saints. “Are you an Anglican?” I said, “Yes”. He told me that he was a Baptist — converted a few years ago. I told him I had been a Christian all my life and a priest for over 40 years. Unimpressed, he asked: “Did I know why Baptists consider Anglicans to be apostates?” I suspected I knew where this line of questioning was going, but said something diplomatic about our historical differences on sacraments and church order. This was clearly not what he was after. Did I accept the authority of scripture? Yes, I said, and I read large portions of it every day in the daily office and Eucharist and preach on them at Mass each day.

Of course, as I had suspected, the only scriptures whose authority he was really concerned about were those condemning homosexuality. When I suggested that we might all heed Jesus’ warning to “Judge not lest you be judged”, this was swept aside as if it was so much wishy-washy liberalism. His parting shot — as I put my key in the Vicarage door — was to tell me that unless I repented and left the Church of England, I was going to hell because I was not prepared to condemn others to it simply because they are gay!

I fear it was not a very fruitful pastoral encounter. I decided I should remember from last night’s experiences, the memories of Gelda’s faithful life, with her great capacity for humour and fun. I will remember the story the Dean of Westminster recalled in his sermon. When

Gelda was young, she was at Mass with her grandmother. In those days of strict fasting before communion, she felt faint and told her grandmother. Her only response was: **“Brace up, girl, that’s what comes of having a clergyman for a father.”** Grandmother’s father was an admiral and she clearly considered the clergy a feeble lot. Gelda resolved never to feel faint again, and she never did. And I will remember that nice couple from Mexico City who were loving their time in London, in spite of being lost and tired. And I will pray, as I promised him I would, for that young man, that the Good Shepherd might help him to find some joy and peace in his faith instead of anger and condemnation.

And in the meantime, I will take Gelda’s imperious granny’s instruction and **“Brace up”**; to get on with what I can do and entrust the rest to God.

A PILGRIMAGE JOURNEY THROUGH ARMENIA

**With Father Gerald Beauchamp,
12 – 21 May 2020**

Some of you may recall hearing that — following a very successful pilgrimage to Italy in 2018, another one was being arranged. Fr Gerald Beauchamp is leading a group of up to 25 people on a 10 day tour of Armenia — so far approximately 20 people have indicated an interest, but there are places still available. Fr Gerald writes:

“Highlights of our tour will include Echmiadzin, the spiritual centre of the nation, Sevan, one of the world’s largest fresh-water mountain lakes, and the capital Yerevan. We shall visit monuments from the earliest days of Christianity, together with jewels from the Middle Ages. In addition to

seeing many living churches and inhabited monasteries, we will enjoy the wonderful and varied landscapes, flora and fauna of the country — especially the bird life, for which Armenia is justly famous.

TOUR INFORMATION

The cost is £1,675 per person.

We stay at three locally graded three star hotels all with pools and rooms with en-suite bathrooms. Flights are with Ukrainian Airlines via Kiev to Yerevan. We travel through Armenia by air-conditioned coach, accompanied by a local guide. All meals are included as well as entrance fees, tips to guide, driver and hotel staff.

Not included — Travel insurance: our recommended policy is £59 per person aged up to 75 years at the time of travel and £103 per person aged 76 – 90. A special feature of this policy is that you do not need to declare medical conditions. We require all travellers to have adequate cover for the trip and you may have annual or another suitable insurance.

There is no single supplement.

Any special requirements such as diets should be advised at the time of booking.

A deposit is payable now with the balance due eight weeks prior to departure.

Your final travel documents will be sent to you two weeks before departure and will contain final flight and hotel contact details.

To reserve your place on this tour please send a deposit of £200 plus the insurance premium to the tour leader.

Please make cheques payable to ‘McCabe Pilgrimages’.

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ALL SAINTS CELL of OUR LADY of WALSINGHAM

**Saturday 8 June — Day Pilgrimage to
Our Lady of the Rosary, Haverstock Hill.**

If you would like to visit the North London shrine, please contact Ross Buchanan:

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Telephone: 020 7221 1312.

100 YEARS AGO FATHER SHEDDEN

Fr Mackay wrote:

“For some months many of us have known that the Diocese of Nassau had elected Father Shedden to be its bishop... and that the election only awaited the confirmation of the Bishops of the Province of the West Indies. Owing to war conditions of ocean traffic and the scattered character of the province the necessary circulation of documents among the bishops took a long time. On Saturday, May 24th, Father Shedden received a cablegram from the Archbishop of the West Indies announcing that the Province had confirmed his election and directing him to apply to the Archbishop of Canterbury for consecration to the Episcopate.

“It is a great pride and joy to us at All Saints to send a bishop to the beautiful and romantic see, made illustrious in missionary annals by the labours of Bishop Hornby and his predecessors. We have close links with the Diocese of Nassau, its festival has been held here for many years and Bishop Hornby is one of our most valued friends.

“The congregation knows quite well that I can find no words to express what the loss of Fr Shedden’s presence and help will be to all

of us and above all to myself. He has borne a very great part of the burden of All Saints on his strong shoulders for many years. His immense business capacity, his power of initiative, and his grasp of detail have liberated Fr Garnier and me to do whatever work we have done. His assistance to Mr Vale during these difficult years has been at least as great, and every one of us has learnt a great deal from his teaching, for to his great knowledge he adds the power of imparting it in a singular degree. And a great part of the charm of All Saints during these years has lain in the fact that it has been a family... but this could not go on for ever and our first thought must be one of thankfulness for all the happiness of the past ten years and for the fact that Fr Heald is preparing to take up the burdens Fr Shedden is laying down, notwithstanding the fact that his peculiar and great gifts would naturally lead him to occupy himself in other ways.

“The Bishop-Elect will continue to make his home with us until he sails for his diocese, but we must no longer regard him as an active member of the staff, his time will be more than occupied in preparing to take up his new work. In all his preparations he knows that he is encompassed by our love and prayers.

“The Archbishop has appointed St John the Baptist’s Day for the Consecration.

“The Duke of Newcastle wrote on behalf of the Churchwardens:

‘The Congregation will have heard with mingled feelings of regret and pleasure of Fr Shedden’s election to the Bishopric of Nassau. I feel confident that there will be a general desire to give him some token of our affection and gratitude for all he has done at All Saints during the years he has laboured among us. Friends are providing the insignia of the episcopal office, and I think, therefore, that our gift should take

the form of a substantial cheque to help Fr Shedden with the heavy expenditure which must fall upon him when entering upon his new sphere of work. Mr Malcolm Scott has kindly consented to act as Treasurer, and will acknowledge any contribution sent to him at 8 Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, W1. A list of donors will be presented with the cheque, but without the amount of their subscriptions. May I earnestly appeal for a generous response? NEWCASTLE.”

Two more of Fr Mackay’s curates would become bishops overseas. Mark Carpenter-Garnier would become Bishop of Colombo in Ceylon (Sri Lanka) and Basil Simpson, Bishop of Kobe in Japan.

SUNDAYS & SOLEMNITIES MUSIC & READINGS

THURSDAY 30 MAY ASCENSION

HIGH MASS at 6.30pm

Processional Hymn: 109 (ii) Hail thee,
Festival Day

Entrance Chant: *Viri Galilæi*

Setting: Schubert in G

Psalm: 47

Readings: Acts 1: 1 – 11

Ephesians 1: 15 – end

Gradual Hymn: 130 (i) Hail the day that
sees him rise

Gospel: Luke 24: 44 – end

Creed: Merbecke

Offertory Motet: God is gone up — Finzi

Hymns: 133 (T 406) The eternal gates
lift up their heads

131 O King most high of earth
and sky

134 The head that once was
crowned with thorns

Voluntary: Transports de joie — Messiaen

Hymn: 352 Crown him with many
crowns

✠ **SUNDAY 2 JUNE**
7th SUNDAY OF EASTER
(after Ascension)

O Salutaris: Arnold No 2

Hymn: 135 (T 447) The Lord ascendeth
up on high

Tantum ergo: Arnold No 2

Voluntary: Alleluias sereins d'une âme
qui désire le ciel — Messiaen

HIGH MASS at 11am

Entrance Hymn: 351 Come, ye faithful,
raise the anthem

Entrance Chant: *Exaudi, Domine,*
vocem meam

Setting: Missa Ascendo ad Patrem
— Palestrina

Psalm: 97

Readings: Acts 16: 16 – 34
Revelation 22: 12 – 14,
16 – 17, 20 – end

Gradual Hymn: 443 Rejoice the Lord
is King

Gospel: John 17: 20 – end

Preacher: The Vicar, Fr Alan Moses

Creed: Credo II

Offertory Motet: Cœlos ascendit hodie
— Stanford

Hymns: 302 O thou, who at thy
Eucharist didst pray
441 Pray that Jerusalem may
have
132 See the Conqueror mounts
in triumph

Voluntary: March upon Handel's 'Lift up
your heads' — Guilmant

EVENSONG & BENEDICTION
at 6pm

Psalm: 68

Lessons: Isaiah 44: 1 – 8
Ephesians 4: 7 – 16

Office Hymn: 128 Eternal Monarch,
King most high

Canticles: Bairstow in D

Anthem: Ascendit Deus — Philips

Preacher: Fr Julian Browning

✠ **SUNDAY 9 JUNE**
PENTECOST

HIGH MASS at 11am

Entrance Hymn: Hail! Festal day

Entrance Chant: *Spiritus Domini*

Setting: Missa Dum complerentur
— Victoria

Psalm: 104: 26 – end

Readings: Acts 2: 1 – 21
Romans 8: 14 – 17

Gradual Hymn: 139 (i) Come, thou Holy
Spirit, come

Gospel: John 14: 8 – 17, 25 – 27

Preacher: The Vicar, Fr Alan Moses

Creed: Credo III

Offertory Motet: The Spirit of the Lord
— Elgar

Hymns: 140 Holy Spirit, come,
confirm us
143 (T 428) Spirit of mercy,
truth and love

137 Come down, O Love
divine

Voluntary: Pièce d'orgue BWV 572
— Bach

EVENSONG & BENEDICTION
at 6pm

Psalm: 33

Lessons: Exodus 33: 7 – 20
2 Corinthians 3: 4 – end

Office Hymn: 136 Rejoice, the year upon
its way

Motet: Ave Verum Corpus — Mozart
Procession Hymns: NEP 664 pt 1,
 Laud, O Sion thy salvation
 271 Alleluya, sing to Jesus
 Onward Christian Pilgrims (T435)
 NEP 614 Hail Redeemer,
 King divine
 Come, sing the praise of Jesus
 Lift high the Cross
 120 Thine be the glory,
 risen, conquering Son
 338 At the name of Jesus
 307 Sweet Sacrament divine
Tantum Ergo: T Pange Lingua
Voluntary: Carillon de Westminster — Vierne

✠ **SUNDAY 23 JUNE**
1ST SUNDAY AFTER
TRINITY

HIGH MASS at 11am

Entrance Hymn: 466 Thou whose almighty
 word

Entrance Chant: Dominus fortitudo
 plebis tuae

Setting: Mass in G minor
 — Vaughan Williams

Psalm: 22: 19 – 28

Readings: Isaiah 65: 1 – 9
 Galatians 3: 23 – end

Gradual Hymn: 480 (T 15) In Christ there
 is no East or West

Gospel: Luke 8: 26 – 39

Preacher: The Rt Revd Leopold Friday,
 Bishop of the
 Windward Islands.

Creed: Vaughan Williams

Offertory Motet: Oculi Omnium — Wood

Hymns: 291 (i) Jesu! — the very
 thought is sweet (omit *)
 337 As pants the hart for
 cooling streams
 355 Eternal ruler of the
 ceaseless round

Voluntary: Cortège — Vierne

First EVENSONG of the
Birth of John the Baptist &
BENEDICTION at 6pm

Psalm: 71

Lessons: Judges 13: 2 – 7, 24 – end
 Luke 1: 5 – 25

Office Hymn: 168 On this high feast day
 honour we the Baptist

Canticles: Setting in A flat — Rubbra

Anthem: Benedictus — Elgar

Preacher: Fr Simon Cuff

Hymn: 169 Hail, harbinger of morn

O Salutaris: Elgar No 2

Hymn: 170 (i) Lo, in the wilderness
 a voice

Tantum ergo: Bruckner

Voluntary: Gieb Fried, O frommer, treuer
 Gott — Frederick Stocken

(An Orgelbüchlein Project commission
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✠ **SUNDAY 30 JUNE**
2ND SUNDAY AFTER
TRINITY

HIGH MASS at 11am

Entrance Hymn: 353 Dear Lord and Father
 of mankind

Entrance Chant: Omnes gentes,
 plaudite manibus

Setting: Jugendmesse — Haydn

Psalm: 16

Readings: 1 Kings 19: 15 – 16, 19 – end
 Galatians 5: 1, 13 – 25

Gradual Hymn: 141 Holy Spirit, ever
 dwelling

Gospel: Luke 9: 51 – end

Preacher: Fr Michael Bowie

Creed: Haydn

Offertory Motet: O clap your hands
 — Gibbons

<p><i>Hymns:</i> 225 (i) Give me the wings of faith to rise 387 Jesus, good above all other 465 Thou didst leave thy throne and thy kingly crown</p> <p><i>Voluntary:</i> Alla breve BWV 589 — Bach</p>	<p><i>Office Hymn:</i> 150 (R) O blest Creator of the light</p> <p><i>Canticles:</i> The second service — Byrd</p> <p><i>Anthem:</i> If ye love me — Tallis</p> <p><i>Preacher:</i> The Vicar, Fr Alan Moses</p> <p><i>Hymn:</i> 415 (T 346) O for a thousand tongues to sing</p>
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EVENSONG & BENEDICTION at 6pm

Psalms: 59, 60

Lessons: Genesis 27: 1 – 40
Mark 6: 1–6

O Salutaris: Tallis

Hymn: 239 Lord of all hopefulness,
Lord of all joy

Tantum ergo: Byrd no.2

Voluntary: Ut re mi fa sol la — Byrd

Information correct at the time of going to press

ORGAN RECITAL, 7.15pm

on Sunday 9 June

Jeremiah Stephenson,

Acting Director of Music

Programme

Fantasia super Komm, Heiliger Geist BWV 651

– Bach (1685 – 1750)

Hymne: Veni Creator – de Grigny (1671 – 1703)

– Veni Creator en taille à 5 (Plein jeu)

– Fugue à 5

– Duo – Récit de Cromorne

– Dialogue sur les grands Jeux

Prélude, Adagio et Choral varié sur le thème du ‘Veni Creator’, Op 4

– Duruflé (1902 – 86)

*Retiring collection to support the Choir and Music at All Saints
(suggested £5).*

The Licensed Club/Bar will be open after the recital.

More organ recitals can be found at www.organrecitals.com.

– **ALL SAINTS MARGARET STREET** –

(Registered Charity Number: 1132895)

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All Saints Choir & Music Trust (Charity Number: 802994)
which supports the choral tradition at All Saints. The capital of the Choir & Music Trust cannot be spent, only the income.

or

All Saints Foundation (Charity Number: 273390)
which assists the PCC in the care of our Grade 1 listed heritage buildings. The capital of the All Saints Foundation can be spent.

Non Designated Bequests

When bequests which have not been designated for any specific purpose are received, the PCC's policy is to direct these to one or other of the two All Saints Trusts, or to some specific piece of restoration work or capital expenditure.

You can be confident that your gift will have a long—lasting effect rather than being used to pay day—to—day expenses.

Remembering Donors

The names of donors will be entered in our Chantry Book and they will be remembered in prayer each year on the anniversary of their death.

Contacting Us about Bequests

If you would like to discuss making a bequest to All Saints, please contact:
The Vicar/Honorary Treasurer/The All Saints Choir and Music Trust Administrator/
The All Saints Foundation Administrator
c/o The Vicarage, 7 Margaret Street, London W1W 8JG.

The Parish Administrator can put you in touch with these individuals by email.

Please email in confidence: office@allsaintsmargaretstreet.org.uk
or telephone 020 7636 1788.

Mission Projects

All Saints year—round fundraising efforts support:

The Church Army hostels and programmes empowering homeless women into independent living in Marylebone

The USPG—led UMOJA, HIV Project in Zimbabwe,
enabling people living with HIV and Aids to live positive lives, and

The Soup Kitchen (American International Church, Tottenham Court Road)
feeding up to 80 vulnerable people daily

KEEPING IN TOUCH

As well as the monthly **Parish Paper**, you can keep in touch with life at All Saints through:

The All Saints Website

www.allsaintsmargaretstreet.org.uk

The Weekly Parish E—mail

This gives weekly news of events, people to pray for, and a short letter from the Vicar or Assistant Priest.

You can subscribe by sending the Parish Administrator an email titled News and Events/Weekly Newsletter to: office@allsaintsmargaretstreet.org.uk.

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Service Times

Sundays:

Low Mass at 6.30pm (Sat)

8am and 5.15pm

Morning Prayer 10.20am

HIGH MASS and SERMON at 11am

CHORAL EVENSONG, SERMON and

BENEDICTION at 6pm.

Monday to Friday:

Church open 7am

Morning Prayer at 7.30am

Low Mass at 8am, 1.10pm and 6.30pm

Confessions 12.30 – 1pm and 5.30pm

Evening Prayer at 6pm

(Except bank holidays

— 12 noon Mass only)

Saturdays:

Church open 11am

Low Mass at **12 noon** and 6.30pm*

(* First Mass of Sunday)

Confessions 5.30pm.

Evening Prayer 6pm.

On major weekday feasts, High Mass is sung at 6.30pm

CALENDAR AND INTENTIONS FOR JUNE 2019

1	Justin, martyr, 165	The persecuted
2	✠ 7 EASTER Sunday after Ascension	Our parish and people
3	<i>Martyrs of Uganda, 1885 – 7, 1977</i>	“Thy Kingdom Come”
4	<i>Petroc, abbot, 6th cent</i>	Church in Cornwall
5	Boniface, bishop and martyr, 754	Diocese of Europe
6	<i>Ini Kopuria, founder of Melanesian Brotherhood, 1945</i>	Unity
7		Those in need
8	Thomas Ken, bishop, 1711	Hymn writers
9	✠ PENTECOST Whit Sunday	Our parish and people
10		Church Schools
11	Barnabas the Apostle	Bishops
12		Friends of All Saints
13		Unity
14	<i>Richard Baxter, puritan divine, 1691</i>	Those in need
15	<i>Evelyn Underhill, spiritual writer, 1941</i>	Retreat Conductors
16	TRINITY SUNDAY	Our parish and people
17	<i>Samuel and Henrietta Barnett, social reformers, 1913 and 1936</i>	The homeless
18	<i>Bernard Mizeki, martyr, 1896</i>	Church in Zimbabwe
19	<i>Sundar Singh, evangelist, 1929</i>	Indian YMCA
20	CORPUS CHRISTI	Thanksgiving for the Holy Eucharist
21		Those in need
22	Alban, first martyr of Britain	Alban Pilgrimage
23	✠ TRINITY 1	Our parish and people
24	Birth of John the Baptist	Thanksgiving
25		USPG
26	Ember Day	Vocations
27	<i>Cyril, bishop, teacher of the faith, 444</i>	Unity
28	Irenaeus, bishop, teacher of the faith, c. 200	
	— Ember Day	Those in need
29	Peter & Paul, Apostles Ember Day	Those being ordained
30	✠ TRINITY 2	Our parish and people





HOLED BELOW THE WATERLINE!

Two pictures of All Saints, Margaret Street, in the Spring sunshine as Thames Water's team works to repair the Victorian sewer four metres beneath the road.
(See the article on page 5).

Since these photographs were taken the situation is now even more dramatic, with tall metal piles supporting the sides of the deep hole.



The contractors have shown great consideration for the Church — stopping work for the wedding of Soomin Ryu and Michael Berton on Saturday 18 May and clearing the spoil skip and the bobcat digger further along Margaret Street to improve the look for their photographs! The various teams of engineers and other workmen have been inside All Saints to view the interior, bringing us a whole new audience!

Photos: Dee Prior, 16 May 2019