



Parish Bulletin

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Dear Parishioners

I am pleased to be able to tell you that we shall be having a stipendiary curate next year. **Simon Cuff** will join our parish following his ordination as a deacon in St Paul's on 29 June. He is currently studying for the priesthood at Ripon College Cuddesen, Oxford, where he is also Walter Newton Scholar at Keble College. I hope there will be opportunities for you to meet the future Fr Simon before next June. He is 24 and comes originally from West London. Please remember him in your prayers.

Our parish school - **Christ the Saviour Primary and Nursery School** - had a 'lightning' Ofsted Inspection in September. The inspectors came with only a few hours notice. This meant that the school had no time to 'put its house in order'. The inspection was very rigorous and lasted two days. At the end we were graded by the inspectors as an 'outstanding' school - the highest Ofsted category. This puts us among the top 10% of schools in the country. Such a result after only a year of the new school's existence is due to the vision, skills and hard work of the headmaster, Raymond Prentice, the three Deputy Heads, the Staff and to the enthusiasm and energy of the children. It provides a firm foundation for greater excellence in the future as the school expands and the existing buildings are enlarged and remodelled. During the rebuilding period the school is using our hall for classes.

You may have noticed the new Nursery rising at the Grove site. This is due to be finished in November.

At the Broadway site it is sad to see that The Cottage has now been demolished to make way for the new block which will contain a new hall and 12 classrooms. Peggy and David Attfield have moved to a new home in Yiewsley, but remain as members of our Parish community. We are very grateful for all that Peggy did in overseeing the hall and the security of the church. Nothing escaped her roving and protective eye and we miss her presence on the site very much.

November is the month of special prayer for the **Faithful Departed**. One of the Seven Spiritual Works of Mercy is to pray for the dead, both those known and those unknown to us. So many people die alone or in dreadful circumstances with nobody to comfort them, pray for them and to remember them. Please see opposite the arrangements for our November requiems.

The Wednesday youth club (KICS) is thriving and attracts children from our own Church families and their friends. It's the first part of a plan to help young people grow in their faith.

All Souls Day

Friday 2nd November

12.30 pm Requiem Mass

7.30 pm Solemn Requiem Mass

*Please put names to be remembered
on the list in church
(only these names will be read out)*

Remembrance Sunday

11th November

**Act of Remembrance
at the 10.30 am Mass**

Requiem in November

Weds 7th 12.30 pm

Past parishioners

Tues 13th 7.30 pm

Servers' Guild past members

Weds 14th 12.30 pm

Departed family members

Friday 16th 9.10 am

Past school members

Friday 16th 12.30 pm

Former St Saviour's parishioners

Tues 20th 12.30 pm

*Those with nobody to
remember them*

Tues 27th 12.30 pm

Former parish clergy

*Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord,
And let light perpetual shine upon
them.*

*May they rest in peace
And rise with Christ in glory*

On Sunday mornings children stay in church for the beginning of Mass and go into the Parish hall for Sunday School just before the first reading. This is to give children and parents a chance to both start and finish their worship and activities in church.

A big thank you for all the Harvest gifts. They were taken to the Upper Room project at St Saviour's Church, Hammersmith and put in their store for food and provisions for homeless and hungry people. 

From time to time people give me gifts of money 'to buy something for the Church'. I have saved gifts from the last two years together and bought a **crucifix** carved by 'Les Petites Soeurs de Bethlem - The Little Sisters of Bethlem - of the monastery of Mougères in the South of France. It will hang in the sacristy but I hope we can use it for the Veneration of the Cross during the Good Friday Liturgy. The priests and servers in the sacristy 'honour the cross' before entering the Church for a service. Come to the sacristy if you would like to see the new crucifix.

Our Parochial Church Council is responsible for raising the income that we need to maintain our parish and its mission to all who live within its boundaries. We rely on this income to maintain the Church, the priestly ministry, administration and our giving to the wider mission of the Church. Despite careful planning and prudent spending, costs rise and we need to make sure that we can meet our expenses and free ourselves from the worry of debt. Our income comes from ourselves. There is effectively no longer support from the Church Commissioners. We would like to ask all of you to think about your part in supporting our Parish. The most reliable form of income is Committed Giving - deciding how much you can give each week/month and either putting it in the weekly envelope or paying it by direct debit through your bank. This means that we know what our basic income will be during a year and we can budget accordingly. This also means that we can claim back the tax through Gift Aid, thanks to the provision of successive governments.

We would like you all to consider what you can give each week for God's work in our Parish. There is no suggested minimum or average amount. It is up to each person's conscience and consideration of their own personal discipleship.

We would like to approach those of you who are not in the **Christian Stewardship Scheme** (committed giving) to consider joining.

We would also like to ask those of you who use the envelope scheme but have not signed a commitment form to considering doing so.

I would like to emphasise two points:

First your giving is entirely confidential. Only the Stewardship Recorder, a trusted and discreet person appointed by the PCC has to see the amounts given.

Secondly this way of supporting the Church in its overall work is not the same as giving to charity. It is our personal participation in the work of the Kingdom of God and a response of gratitude for all his goodness to us.

Now that St Saviour's school has been transformed into the new school, the name of St Saviour's no longer exists on its own. Each year I would like to commemorate St Saviour's around the time of its destruction on 16 November 1940. This year there will be a requiem Mass on 16 November at 12.30 pm for all St Saviour's parishioners.

We shall celebrate our **parish feast of title** on Sunday 25 November, the feast of Christ the King. There will be Solemn Evensong, Procession of the Blessed Sacrament in honour of Christ the King and Benediction. Very few people attend the beautiful service of Evensong nowadays. This is a time to give thanks for the life of our Parish and to pray for the coming year. Although we have Evensong every Sunday evening this is an opportunity to hear again the words of the Church's evening office in the beautiful version in the Book of Common Prayer.

The Dean of St Paul's has invited parishes to the Cathedral's **Advent Carol Service** on Saturday 1 December at 5.00 pm. This will be another wonderful occasion and a chance to hear the cathedral choir and to prepare for Advent. Please sign the list in the porch if you like to come.

With best wishes and the assurance of prayer for you all,
Your friend and parish priest,

Fr Andrew

Christ the King

Sunday 25
November
6.30 pm



Solemn Evensong Procession Benediction

Preacher:

Fr David Peebles

Rector of
St George's
Bloomsbury

Advent Carol Service

Saturday
1 December
5.00 pm
St Paul's Cathedral



Parish Carol service

Saturday
15 December
5.00 pm



Please invite people
to join us