

**A festival for October
Richard Hooker, November 3rd**

Born in Heavitree in Exeter in about 1554, Richard Hooker came under the influence of John Jewel, Bishop of Salisbury, in his formative years and through that influence went up to Corpus Christi College, Oxford, where he became a fellow. He was ordained and then married, becoming a parish priest and, in 1585, Master of the Temple in London. Richard became one of the strongest advocates of the position of the Church of England and defended its 'middle way' between puritanism and roman Catholicism. Perhaps his greatest work was *Of the Laws of Ecclesiastical Polity* which he wrote as the result of engaging in controversial debates. He showed Anglicanism as rooted firmly in Scripture as well as tradition, affirming its continuity with the pre-Reformation Ecclesia Anglicana, but now both catholic and reformed. Richard became a parish priest again near Canterbury and died there on this day in the year 1600

God of peace, the bond of all love,
who in your Son Jesus Christ
have made the human race
your inseparable dwelling place:
after the example of your servant Richard Hooker,
give grace to us your servants ever to rejoice
in the true inheritance of your adopted children
and to show forth your praises now and ever;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

**St. Augustine of Canterbury,
Highgate**



CHURCH NEWS

November 2017

The Vicar's Letter

Dear friends,

There are many privileges to being a priest. It is still a joy to me to be part of people's lives—sometimes at the extremes of joy and sorrow—and to walk with people a little way along their journey of faith. Alongside my parish duties, I am involved with helping people discern if they have a vocation to the ordained ministry. This is ongoing as I am one of the team of 'directors of ordinands' in the diocese, and at the time of writing, I am seeing six people from different parishes in the Edmonton Area. Also, annually I attend a Bishops' Advisory Panel as an adviser—this is the final stage of the selection process. As someone who has seen vocations blossom in parishes before, and trained several curates, this is work I love.

Last month the clergy of the diocese met at Church House, Westminster for 'London Calling', a day for us on encouraging, supporting and discovering vocations to ordained ministry. Nationally, the numbers in training is increasing, and London plays its part in that.

I want to encourage you, first of all, to join with me in regularly praying for more priests and deacons. I also want to ask you to be open to the movement of the Spirit in your own life. Is God calling you to be a priest? If not, is there someone around you who could be prompted to think about it? In the past year we have had a member of the congregation go precisely to explore what God is calling him to do. Of course, vocation is not just about ordination, but it is a particular form of call, and for the Church to be the Church, it needs priests!

With my best wishes and prayers,
Fr. Peter

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**Enquiries with regard to baptism, weddings
and banns of marriage should be made to
Fr. Peter**

Looking ahead

December

3 First Sunday of Advent
17 Carol Service at 3pm
24 Christmas Eve: Crib Service at 4pm and
Midnight Mass at 11.30pm
25 Christmas Day Parish Mass at 10am
26 St. Stephen's Day Mass at 10am
27 St. John Mass at 10am
28 Holy Innocents Mass at 10am

January

1 Mass for New Year' Day at 12 noon
7 Epiphany of the Lord
28 Presentation of Christ in the Temple,
Candlemas

February

14 Ash Wednesday Mass at 10am and 7.30pm
19 Lent group at 8pm preceded by light supper
from 7.15pm
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The Vicar's Notices

MONTHLY EMAIL

In addition to this, and the weekly sheet, I am also sending out a monthly email with news of St. Augustine's. If you do not receive it, and would like to, please email me. There is a link to it on our website and Facebook page.

RENOVATION WORK

This has now been completed downstairs at the church.

ALL SAINT' AND ALL SOULS'

On All Saints' Day proper, Wednesday November 1st, Mass at 10am and 7.30pm. All Souls' Day is Thursday November 2nd, Mass at 10am and 7.30pm. If you would like someone who has died to be remembered on All Souls' Day, there are lists at the back of church.

RECITAL

Evie Rogers, who lives locally, has very kindly agreed to give a violin recital to help us pay for our church boiler. It is in church on Friday November 17th at 7.30pm. Tickets are £5 for adults and £1 for children.

CONFIRMATION

On Sunday November 19th we welcome the Bishop of Edmonton, the Rt. Revd. Robert Wickham. Alina Olton from our congregation will be Confirmed.

Calendar for November 2017

1 All Saints' Day Mass at 10am and 7.30pm
2 All Souls' Day Mass at 10am and 7.30pm

5 All Saints' Sunday Parish Mass at 10am
6 Study group meets in the Vicarage at 8pm
8 Mass at 10am
9 Parochial Church Council meets in the Vicarage at 8pm
11 Mass at 12 noon

12 3 before Advent and Remembrance Sunday
Parish Mass at 10am followed by Act of Remembrance
15 Mass at 10am
17 Recital in church by Evie Rogers at 7.30pm
18 Mass at 12 noon

19 2 before Advent
Bishop of Edmonton joins us for the Parish Mass at 10am
22 Mass at 10am
25 Mass at 12 noon

26 Christ the King with Parish Mass, Procession of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction at 10am
29 Mass at 10am

Bible readings for the Parish Mass

5 All Saints' Sunday
Revelation 7.9-17
1 John 3.1-3
Matthew 5.1-12

12 3 before Advent/Remembrance Sunday
Wisdom of Solomon 6.12-16
1 Thessalonians 4.13-18
Matthew 25.1-13

19 2 before Advent
Zephaniah 1.7, 12-18
1 Thessalonians 5.1-11
Matthew 25.14-30

26 Christ the King
Ezekiel 34.11-16, 20-24
Ephesians 1.15-23
Matthew 25.31-46