

**A festival for May
Trinity Sunday
May 27th**

Trinity Sunday always falls on the Sunday immediately following Pentecost, eight weeks after Easter Day. It has been observed by western Christianity since the fourteenth century. The Trinity—God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit—is the central understanding of God in the Christian faith. Building on what is in the New Testament, the doctrine of the Trinity was articulated by later Christians in fuller form, and makes sense of Christian experience of God. Argued over, sometimes bitterly, this dynamic understanding of God, both in himself and how he reveals himself, is still believed, lived and proclaimed today.

*This is the preface to the Eucharistic Prayer for Trinity Sunday, the words leading up to **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord...***

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.
For with your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit
you are one God, one Lord.
All that you reveal of your glory,
the same we believe of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit,
without any difference or inequality.
We, your holy Church, acclaim you,
Father of majesty unbounded,
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.
Three Persons we adore.

**St. Augustine of Canterbury,
Highgate**



CHURCH NEWS

May 2018

The Vicar's Letter

Dear friends,

Wouldn't it be wonderful if Christians throughout the world prayed together? Of course, they do. There's a sense in which whenever the eucharist is celebrated, the whole Church is there for it is the action of the Church in obedience to Jesus not that of an isolated individual. Also, in Christ we are one so the prayer of one is the prayer of all. From Ascension Day to Pentecost, May 10th-20th, there is the opportunity to pray worldwide in a focussed way. In 2016, the Archbishops of Canterbury and York urged members of the Church of England to pray 'Thy kingdom come', looking for more people to come to know Jesus. They urged that people committed to a 'novena', nine days, of prayer and that is happening again this year, but now not just in England, and not just Anglican, but worldwide, and Roman Catholic, Baptist, Methodist etc. as well. The emphasis this year is 'Changed Lives, Changing Lives.' If we have known something of Jesus's power to change lives, how can we not want this for others? I'll be offering some resources for prayer and you can find out more about this prayer initiative at thykingdomcome.global

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

June

3 Corpus Christi

Parish Mass, Procession of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction at 10am

24 Ordination to the priesthood of Fr. Matthew Topham at 5pm at St. Mary, Tottenham

25 First Mass of Fr. Matthew Topham at 7.30pm at St. Mary, Tottenham

July

1 St. Augustine's Festival

The Vicar's Notices

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

From the end of May, a new regulation comes into force tightening up existing data protection legislation. I am grateful to two church members who are helping with our response to this. One immediate action is the need for church members to sign a 'Consent Form' in order to receive communications from the church. Thank you to those who have already filled one in. Hard copies are available in church.

Concerts

One of our regular organists, Philip Norman runs the organists online website. It's a great resource and is why we have never been without an organist for the past year though we have not got a permanent organist. Philip has invited us to host two concerts, and the first of these is on May 20th at 3pm. The next is on July 1st.

ORDINATION OF FR. MATTHEW TOPHAM

Fr. Matthew used to be a worshipper here and was ordained deacon last year to serve as curate at St. Mary's, Tottenham. Please pray for him as he is ordained priest on June 24th and presides at Mass for the first time on June 25th, at St. Mary's.

Calendar for May 2018

- 2 Mass at 10am
5 Mass at 12 noon
6 **EASTER 6**
Parish Mass at 10am
9 Mass at 10am
10 Ascension Day
Mass at 10am
Parochial Church Council meets at 7.30pm
in the Vicarage
12 Mass at 10am
13 **SUNDAY OF THE ASCENSION**
Parish Mass at 10am
16 Mass at 10am
19 Mass at 12 noon
20 **PENTECOST**
Parish Mass at 10am
23 Mass at 10am
26 Mass at 12 noon
Wedding at 3pm
27 **TRINITY SUNDAY**
Parish Mass at 10am
30 Mass at 10am

Bible readings for the Parish Mass

- 6 **SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**
Acts 10.44.-48
1 John 5.1-6
John 15.9-17
13 **SUNDAY OF THE ASCENSION**
Acts 1.1-11
Ephesians 1.15-23
Luke 24.44-53
20 **PENTECOST**
Acts 2.1-21
Romans 8.22-27
John 15.26-27; 16. 4b-15
27 **TRINITY SUNDAY**
Isaiah 6.1-8
Romans 8.12-17
John 3.1-17