



St Anne's
— K E W —

22nd October 2023
Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Services today:

8.00am Said Eucharist
10.00am Sung Eucharist

Hymns for the 10.00 am service:

440 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation

296 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour

52 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

146 Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty

Dear all,

Letter from the vicar

This has been another terrible week in the Middle East. And I know that many of you are holding the people of Israel and Palestine in your prayers. So I thought I would say a few words about prayer.

For me, prayer has many functions - not least of which is that it's a kind of spiritual processing, holding up the world to the light of the Almighty. It is slow and takes the time it takes.

In contrast, the other business I am involved with is journalism. This has a completely different pace. It works fast. News comes in and needs to be reacted to immediately.

The trouble with journalism is that it often doesn't take sufficient time to process information. This week we have seen some immediate reactions to a terrible tragedy that now look to have been severely misjudged or overly hasty in their judgments. And the consequences of speaking too soon have been felt throughout the world.

Sometimes slow is better. The rhythm of prayer often has a keener eye for the truth than the instant reaction of news and social media. And I say this as someone who is often guilty of the latter.

What can we do here in Kew? After all, most of us are not in a position to influence events. And we can feel all too helpless. Church, however, is a good place to process what we are witnessing through the news. The very different pace of the liturgy breathes alongside a God who loves us all, and seeks healing and salvation for all humanity.

What can we do? We can seek to be a part of the healing - in ourselves and in the small part of the world that we call our home. I don't want to sound overly pious, but prayer may be the only thing left for many of us to do. And prayer, like healing, and like grief, takes time.

With love,



Canon Dr Giles Fraser, Vicar of St Anne's, Kew

Diary for the Week

<p>Sunday 22nd October <i>Twentieth Sunday after Trinity</i></p>	<p>8.00am Said Eucharist</p> <p>10.00am Sung Eucharist</p>
<p>Monday 23rd October</p>	<p>8.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom</p>
<p>Tuesday 24th October</p>	<p>8.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom</p> <p>7.00pm Eucharist</p> <p>7.30pm The Vicar's Deep Dive – Job, in the Parish Hall</p>
<p>Wednesday 25th October</p>	<p>8.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom</p> <p>11.00am Bible Study (in the Meeting Room)</p>
<p>Thursday 26th October <i>Alfred the Great, King of the West Saxons, Scholar</i></p>	<p>8.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom</p>
<p>Friday 27th October</p>	<p>8.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom</p>
<p>Saturday 28th October <i>Simon and Jude, Apostles</i></p>	
<p>Sunday 29th October <i>Last Sunday after Trinity</i></p>	<p>8.00am Said Eucharist</p> <p>10.00am Sung Eucharist</p> <p>Readings: Leviticus 19.1-2, 15-18 I Thessalonians 2.1-8 Matthew 22.34-end</p>

Sunday 22 October 2023
20th Sunday after Trinity

Collect

God, the giver of life,
whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church:
by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ
and make us eager to do your will,
that we may share with the whole creation
the joys of eternal life;
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.

Readings

Isaiah 45.1-7

45 Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped
to subdue nations before him
and strip kings of their robes,
to open doors before him—
and the gates shall not be closed:
2 I will go before you
and level the mountains,
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut through the bars of iron,
3 I will give you the treasures of darkness
and riches hidden in secret places,
so that you may know that it is I, the Lord,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.
4 For the sake of my servant Jacob,
and Israel my chosen,
I call you by your name,
I surname you, though you do not know me.
5 I am the Lord, and there is no other;
besides me there is no god.
I arm you, though you do not know me,
6 so that they may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is no one besides me;

I am the Lord, and there is no other.
7 I form light and create darkness,
I make weal and create woe;
I the Lord do all these things.
This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 96.1-9

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song; •
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
- 2 Sing to the Lord and bless his name; •
tell out his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations •
and his wonders among all peoples.
- 4 For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; •
he is more to be feared than all gods.
- 5 For all the gods of the nations are but idols; •
it is the Lord who made the heavens.
- 6 Honour and majesty are before him; •
power and splendour are in his sanctuary.
- 7 Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the peoples; •
ascribe to the Lord honour and strength.
- 8 Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name; •
bring offerings and come into his courts.
- 9 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; •
let the whole earth tremble before him.

1 Thessalonians 1.1-10

1 Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,
To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:
Grace to you and peace.

2 We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers,
constantly³ remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labour
of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know,
brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our
message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the
Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of people we
proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of
the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by
the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia
and in Achaia. ⁸For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in

Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place where your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. ⁹For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 22.15-22

¹⁵ Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. ¹⁶ So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, ‘Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷ Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?’ ¹⁸ But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, ‘Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹ Show me the coin used for the tax.’ And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰ Then he said to them, ‘Whose head is this, and whose title?’ ²¹ They answered, ‘The emperor’s.’ Then he said to them, ‘Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.’ ²² When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion

God our Father,
whose Son, the light unfailing,
has come from heaven to deliver the world from the darkness of ignorance:
let these holy mysteries open the eyes of our understanding
that we may know the way of life,
and walk in it without stumbling;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Sick and Departed

Please remember in your prayers:

The sick, including Georgia, Debbie, Caroline Hill, Roddy Rugman, Barbara Biddell and Peter Tomkins.

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time: John Diamond, Amy Beverly, Roger Harper, Basil Dalboudt, Derek Saffell, Leslie Worn, Sir Gerry Neale, Dorothy Hayman.

The flowers are in memory of Roger Harper and Sir Gerry Neale.

Notices:

Please note that the correct name for our bank account when completing Standing Order forms etc. is **St Anne's Church Kew Parochial**. Very many thanks.

The **All Souls' List** for 2023 is now at the back of the church. Please add any names that you would like to be read out at the All Souls' service at 6.30pm on Sunday 5th November.

Flowers - If you would like to sponsor the flowers, dates are available from **December 25th until February 4th**, and then **after Easter**. Please contact Judy Perkins judyperkins@gmail.com.

Richmond Sunday Lunch Scheme - St Anne's participates in this scheme, which provides a fortnightly hot Sunday lunch for those who may be vulnerable and who would welcome a hot meal or some company in safe surroundings. We are **offering lunch next on Christmas Eve**, and if you are not too busy with Christmas preparations, I would be glad of some **offers of help**. We set up after the **10am service and are usually finished by 2.30pm**. We need people to serve the food and clear up afterwards but also to sit, eat and socialise with our guests. If you are able to help or would like to know more, please contact Judy Perkins judyperkins@gmail.com.

Kew Neighbourhood Association are currently experiencing **unprecedented** requests for driving to medical appointments, alongside the usual Avenue Club driving. If anyone is able to help as a volunteer driver, with as little or as much commitment as you wish, and completely flexibly, please do contact Gail Adams on 07949 001378 or gail.adams@kna.org.uk. Your support would be so much appreciated.

Helping Homeless People. St John the Divine Richmond is looking for people to make soup or bake cakes, biscuits for their drop in 'soup kitchen' on **Wednesday and Thursday evenings** between **1st November–25th April**. This is not demanding - perhaps two or three contributions over the winter and the organisers are extremely flexible. And it is really practical help! If you would like to find out more, please contact the organiser Sarah Percival at sarahpercival52@gmail.com.

Please follow the link to a Newsletter from the [Inter Faith Network](https://www.interfaith.org.uk) (or go to www.interfaith.org.uk) for information about the upcoming Inter Faith Week, which may be of interest to you.

St Peter's Church, Church Lane, Petersham is looking for a part time (8 hours a week) **Parish Administrator**. The successful candidate will have administrative and organisational skills, good written and verbal communication and an ability to relate to a range of people and situations. He/she will also be sympathetic to the aims of the church and its mission to the community. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office st.peters.petersham@googlemail.com or call 020 8940 8435 for full details. Closing date for applications: 11 November 2023. The job description may also be found at <https://richmondandbarnesdeanery.org/parish-administrator-vacancy/>

Talking about Christianity with Muslim friends. On Friday 24th November 2023, 10am-4pm in the Parish Hall, **Dr Chris Hewer** (<https://chrishewer.org>) will lead a day helping us understand similarities and differences between Christianity and Islam. He will focus on outlining the different models that the two faiths use and what comes to a Muslim's mind when thinking about Christianity. The second main focus of the day will be on the way that Christian understandings of scripture and revelation differ radically from what Muslims might expect. Come and join us to reflect on what both Christians and Muslims believe, where they agree, and where they differ. There is no charge, although donations are welcome. Tea and coffee will be provided, please bring your own packed lunch. If you are interested, please contact Claudine McCreadie at dandcmcc@gmail.com.

Dear Friends, **The Pastoral Support Team** is a dedicated small team of volunteers who have been appropriately trained for you to call upon if you feel you would like a little extra support, compassion or just a listening ear. If you feel we might be able to help you, please call the Parish Office between 9am-12pm on 0208 332 7156 or email them at saintannekew@gmail.com and say that you would like to speak to someone from The Pastoral Support Team. Thank you, John Mortley, PST Co-ordinator.

Zaytoun, fair trade Palestinian products. These are now available from Zaytoun representative in Ham, Richard Smith. Richard is always well stocked and welcomes customers from Kew. Contact him on: rdsmith27@gmail.com or 07815 107973.

Hall Hire is available. Please contact the Parish Office on 020 8332 7156.

To join the **Parish WhatsApp** group text Fr Giles on 07811 444011.

For **Safeguarding** concerns, please contact Kristen Anderson on 07561 662613, or contact the Churchwardens. **Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.**

The Vicar's Theological Deep Dives

The Vicar's Deep Dives provide an introduction to some fundamental theological themes. They draw upon the latest on contemporary scholarship to help illuminate the core issues of the Christian tradition. They take place once a month, on Tuesday evenings throughout the year. All are most welcome.

Eucharist 7.00pm. Lecture including questions 7.30-8.30pm. Coach and Horses after the lecture.

Programme for 2023/4 focuses on the Bible:

Thus far we have looked at the emergence from Canaanite religion in Genesis, Exodus and the beginnings of monotheism (including the Deuteronomistic historian) and purity and holiness in Leviticus.

Job – 24th October

The Prophets – 28th November

Ruth/Ezra – 19th December

Daniel – 23rd January

The Maccabees – 27th February

Mark and Matthew – 26th March

Luke/Acts – 30th April

John – 28th May

Paul's Letters – 25th June

Revelation – 30th July



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Finance

It costs £5,000 a week to run the whole ministry of this beautiful and historic church. We do not have any endowment and rely solely upon the generosity of individuals to keep going. We hugely appreciate the support that we receive from you. Thank you for helping us contribute to the Christian presence in this part of the world.

You can support the work of the church in any of the following ways:

- With cash or contactless credit/debit card on leaving the church. Use a white envelope for cash if a UK taxpayer.
- Online donation at <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/donation/st-annes-church-kew-green>
- Using the QR code on your smartphone:



- Join our planned giving scheme – Standing Order & Gift Aid forms are available at a desk on the left at the back of the church.

Many thanks!

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