# ST HILDA'S ASHFORD



# THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY FEAST OF ST BARNABAS

11 JUNE 2023

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#### THE GATHERING

#### Introit Hymn

Come, thou Holy Spirit, come, And from thy celestial home Shed thy light and brilliancy: Father of the poor, draw near, Giver of all gifts, be here, Come, the soul's true radiancy. Come, of comforters the best, Of the soul the sweetest guest, Come in toil refreshingly: Thou in labour rest most sweet. Thou art shadow from the heat. Comfort in adversity. O thou Light most pure and blest, Shine within the inmost breast Of thy faithful company: Where thou art not, man has nought, Every holy deed and thought Comes from thy divinity. Sinful hearts do thou make whole, Bring to life the arid soul, Guide the feet that go astray: Make the stubborn heart unbend. To the faint, new hope extend, Wounded souls, their hurt allay. Fill the faithful, who confide In thy power to guard and guide, With thy sevenfold mystery: Here thy grace and virtue send, Grant salvation in the end. And in heaven felicity.

[Latin, Stephen Langton tr. J. M. Neale]

# The Greeting

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

All and also with you.

Words of welcome are said. We pray with Junior Church .

# **Prayer of Preparation**

All Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **Prayers of Penitence**

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins and to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all

 All Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.
 We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
 For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** 

# **Gloria in Excelsis**

Glory to God in the highest,

All and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

> Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## The Collect - The Collect for the Week is said after a moment of silence

Bountiful God, giver of all gifts, who poured your Spirit upon your servant Barnabas and gave him grace to encourage others: help us, by his example, to be generous in our judgements and unselfish in our service; 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. **Amen.** 

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### First Reading – Acts 11 vv 19 - 30

Now those who were scattered because of the persecution that took place over Stephen travelled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, and they spoke the word to no one except Jews. But among them were some men of Cyprus and Cyrene who, on coming to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists also, proclaiming the Lord Jesus. The hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number became believers and turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he rejoiced, and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast devotion; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were brought to the Lord. Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul, and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for an entire year they associated with the church and taught a great many people, and it was in Antioch that the disciples were first called 'Christians'.

At that time prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. One of them named Agabus stood up and predicted by the Spirit that there would be a severe famine over all the world; and this took place during the reign of Claudius. The disciples determined that according to their ability, each would send relief to the believers living in Judea; this they did, sending it to the elders by Barnabas and Saul.

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

#### New Testament Reading – Galatians 2 vv 1 - 10

Then after fourteen years I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, taking Titus along with me. I went up in response to a revelation. Then I laid before them (though only in a private meeting with the acknowledged leaders) the gospel that I proclaim among the Gentiles, in order to make sure that I was not running, or had not run, in vain. But even Titus, who was with me, was not compelled to be circumcised, though he was a Greek. But because of false believers secretly brought in, who slipped in to spy on the freedom we have in Christ Jesus, so that they might enslave us- we did not submit to them even for a moment, so that the truth of the gospel might always remain with you. And from those who were supposed to be acknowledged leaders (what they actually were makes no difference to me; God shows no partiality)-those leaders contributed nothing to me. On the contrary, when they saw that I had been entrusted with the gospel for the uncircumcised, just as Peter had been entrusted with the gospel for the circumcised (for he who worked through Peter making him an apostle to the circumcised also worked through me in sending me to the Gentiles), and when James and Cephas and John, who were acknowledged pillars, recognized the grace that had been given to me, they gave to Barnabas and me the right hand of fellowship, agreeing that we should go to the Gentiles and they to the circumcised. They asked only one thing, that we remember the poor, which was actually what I was eager to do.

At the end the reader may say This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

# Gospel Reading – John 15 vv 12 - 17

Alleluia, Alleluia.

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord. No one comes to the Father except through me.

All Alleluia.

All

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

# **The Sermon**

# **Profession of Faith**

Let us affirm our common faith.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

#### All I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

## All I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

## All I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

All This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

# **Prayers of Intercession**

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father

The prayers end with the following:

Merciful Father,

All accept these prayers for the sake of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

# THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

#### The Peace – All stand

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

#### All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

# **Offertory Hymn**

During this hymn a collection will be taken

In Christ there is no East or West, In him no South or North: But one great fellowship of love Throughout the whole wide earth. In him shall true hearts everywhere Their high communion find; His service is the golden cord, Close binding humankind. Join hands, then, brothers of the faith, Whatever your race may be; Who serves my Father as a son Is surely kin to me. In Christ now meet both East and West. In him meet South and North: All Christlike souls are one in him, Throughout the whole wide earth. [John Oxenham] The table is prepared, and bread and wine are placed upon it.

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

All All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.

# **Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you

All and also with you

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

#### All It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. From sunrise to sunset this day is holy, for Christ has risen from the tomb and scattered the darkness of death with light that will not fade. This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people, unfolds for us your word, and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread. And though the night will overtake this day you summon us to live in endless light, the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord. And so, with choirs of angels and with all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending song of praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

 All God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: *Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.*

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith:

# All Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Barnabas, Hilda and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

# The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

# **Breaking of the Bread**

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

# Agnus Dei

Lamb of God,

All you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

# **Giving of Communion**

The president says the invitation to communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

The president and people receive communion.

# **Communion Hymns**

A new commandment I give unto you: That you love one another as I have loved you, That you love one another as I have loved you.

By this shall all know that you are my disciples If you have love one for another. (Repeat) Refrain

You are my friends if you do what I command you. Without my help you can do nothing. (Repeat) Refrain

I am the true vine, my Father is the gard'ner. Abide in me: I will be with you. (Repeat) Refrain

True love is patient, not arrogant nor boastful; Love bears all things, love is eternal. (Repeat) Refrain

> [v 1 Anon, vv2-4 Aniceto Nazareth © Words: Kevin Mayhew Ltd, Music: 1999 Kevin Mayhew Ltd]

The eternal gifts of Christ the King, The Apostles' glorious deeds, we sing; And while due hymns of praise we pay, Our thankful hearts cast grief away.

The Church in these her princes boasts, These victor chiefs of warriors hosts; The soldiers of the heavenly hall, The lights that rose on earth for all. 'Twas thus the yearning faith of saints, The unconquered hope that never faints, The love of Christ that knows not shame, The prince of this world overcame.

In these the Father's glory shone; In these the will of God the Son; In these exults the Holy Ghost; Through these rejoice the heavenly host.

Redeemer, hear us of thy love, That, with this glorious band above, Hereafter, of thine endless grace, Thy servants also may have place.

[Attributed to St. Ambrose tr. J. M. Neale]

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast, Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest, Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide, Wash me with water flowing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy passion be, O blessed Jesu, hear and answer me; Deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me, So shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign, In death's dread moments make me only thine; Call me, and bid me come to thee on high When I may praise thee with thy saints for ay.

[Attributed to Pope John XXII tr. Anon]

# **Prayers after Communion**

Silence is kept after which the post-Communion prayer is said.

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

- All Amen.
- All Almighty God,

we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Notices

# THE DISMISSAL

# Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

#### **Recessional Hymn**

Praise to the Holiest in the height, And in the depth be praise; In all his words most wonderful, Most sure in all his ways.

O loving wisdom of our God! When all was sin and shame,

A second Adam to the fight And to the rescue came.

O wisest love! that flesh and blood, Which did in Adam fail,

Should strive afresh against the foe, Should strive and should prevail;

And that a higher gift than grace Should flesh and blood refine, God's presence and his very self,

And essence all divine.

O generous love! that he, who smote In Man for man the foe, The double agony in Man For man should undergo;

And in the garden secretly, And on the cross on high, Should teach his brethren, and inspire To suffer and to die.

Praise to the Holiest in the height, And in the depth be praise; In all his words most wonderful, Most sure in all his ways.

[John Henry Newman]

# SERVICE TIMES Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 11am Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June 10.00am

The Sunday service is livestreamed and can be viewed later our Facebook page

#### Please remember in your prayers this week:

## THE SICK:

Ann Bilias Michael Brown Lizio Cassar Ros Clifton Saffi Cobham Joan Davies Don Dunbar Revd. Elizabeth Greenwood Vicky Hall Melvyn Jansen Pat Kyle Grace Mannagh Pauline Milton Ray Nation Barbara Warne Christine Elaine Nic Solange

*If you would like a name added to the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office.* 

#### THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:

Alan Hatchman	Percy Sibley	Delphine Scrivener	
THOSE IN OUR MEMORIAL BOOK THIS WEEK			
Mary Isabella Ross Lilly Simpson David William Smith Sharon Spencer Francis George Kitto Harry "Colin" Turner	Alice Scott Violet Smith Audrey Didymus Joan Taverner Frederick Fifield Elsie Marie Bollons	Rita Iris Muggeridge Derrick George Lovell Winifred Peterson Patricia Mary Ridley Arthur Robert Royall (Priest)	

#### Please pray for our ALMA twin Parish, Holy Cross Murrupula

# NOTICES

The Parish Office is available by phone or email. Visitors by appointment only.

Following the teaching of 'Loving thy Neighbour' - If you feel unwell, we ask that you do not attend so that we can maintain the health and safety of all who attend the services.

#### PCC Meeting -Monday 12th June at 7.15 for 7.30pm start

#### Mothers' Union Lunch -Tuesday 13th June at 12.15pm

#### Community Lunch - Wednesday at 12 noon

Join us in church for the Community Lunch at midday If you are able to come forward and help, even once a month, please do liaise with Bobbie.

#### Bible Study Group – Wednesday at7.30pm

We meet in Church on most Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm. We are looking at Christian Community for the next few weeks. You are very welcome to come and join us.

#### St. Hilda's Breakfast - Saturday 17th June at 9:30am

Do come along and enjoy good food and fellowship. Speaker to be confirmed. Please book via the Parish Office or Ticket Tailor (link on the Church web site), so we know how many to cater for. Suggested donation £5, payable on the day.

Next month's Breakfast will be on Saturday 15th July.

#### Feed My Sheep - Tuesday 27th June at 2.30pm

Do come and join us .We meet on the 4th Tuesday from 2.30pm - 4pm in Church with tea, coffee and cake, to explore topics on Christian themes. A donation of a £1 is welcomed to cover the cost of the refreshments.

June 27thJargon BustingJuly 25thtthPopes - part 2

#### Ambling through Acts course – Thursday 6th July at 7.30pm

Everyone is very welcome to attend. There will be refreshments at the end. We finish by saying Compline (Night Prayer) together round about 9pm. I hope to see you there. Please bring a bible – ideally the NRSV, but any version will do.

#### \*\*\* St Hilda's Newsletter \*\*\*

We have a new Editor! Sara Lee has agreed to take on this role. The aim is to produce the newsletter monthly, to be available on the last Sunday of the month, with the deadline for contributions as the first Sunday of the month.

The deadline for items for the **August** issue will therefore be **Sunday 2nd July** . This will be your magazine - so start writing!

Please send your contributions to: <a href="mailto:saralee7@btinternet.com">saralee7@btinternet.com</a>

#### Parish administrator

Our parish administrator is Laura Goodman. Her office hours are:

Monday:	3.30-5pm
Wednesday:	3.30-6.30pm
Friday:	3.30-6.30pm
Saturday:	9.45-11.15am

Any appointments in person must be booked.

#### Food Bank Donations

Please use the wooden chest at the rear of the Church to place any donations for the local food bank, such as tinned and dried goods (well inside their Best Before date, please) and toiletries.

# Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 5<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> March 2024

10 days based in Jerusalem and Galilee With Father Steve Gayle and Father Joseph Fernandes. See literature at the back of church for more details.

#### \*\*\* WANTED: Willing Workers! \*\*\*

Do you appreciate having clean carpets and a clean toilet in church? They don't stay that way if left alone!

Currently four people vacuum, dust, empty the rubbish and recycling bins and attend to the toilet every week, mostly on Thursday mornings. They would appreciate more helpers.

If you can spare the occasional hour to help, please speak to Frances Forsbrey

#### \*\*\* WANTED: Door Wardens \*\*\*

St Hilda's Church is open during the week for people to call in for solitude, private prayer or to have a look around. Thanks go to Bobbie and Frances for making this happen but we need more volunteers to open the church in the morning (between 8.30 - 9.30 am) and to lock it again in the afternoon/early evening (4.30 - 5.30 pm). The timings are flexible depending on your availability. There is no need to remain in the Church during these hours.

If you are willing and able to join a rota to help with this please speak to Liz Brian, Chris Brown or Paula Gething or contact the Church office on office@sthilda.org.

#### \*\*\* WANTED: a Fair Trade rep \*\*\*

We are looking for someone to replace Carolyn as our Fair Trade representative, to promote the use of Fair Trade products in church and by the congregation at home. If you are interested please contact one of the Church Wardens.



Please pray for those to be ordained, among them

#### Helen Calner

to be made priest by

Emma, bishop of Kensington

at St Paul's Church, Hammersmith

at 2 pm l7th of June 2023

Helen will offer her first Mass Sunday 2nd of July at 10.30

at St Philip's Church Earls Court, all welcome!

In the company of St Hilda, St Philip, St Lucy and St Francis

please also pray for Revd. Pippa Turner and the people of St Philip's Church Earls Court, among whom Helen will serve

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