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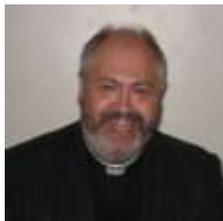
REGULAR MEETINGS

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| MONDAY    | 12.30 PM        | HANWELL HOMELESS CONCERN                            |
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|           | 6.00 PM         | BROWNIES  |
| TUESDAY   | 5.30 PM         | BEAVERS   |
|           | 6.30PM          | CUBS  |
| WEDNESDAY |                 | 11.00AM - 12.30PM                                   |
|           | 10.30AM         | MOTHER AND BABY/TODDLER GROUP                       |
|           | 7.30PM          | STUDY GROUP & COMPLINE<br>(FIRST WED OF EACH MONTH) |
| THURSDAY  | 7.00 PM         | GUIDES  |
| FRIDAY    | 10.30 - 12 NOON | 'POP-IN'  |
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## From our Vicar

Dear Friends

We have just crossed our ballot papers for one lot of elections, and the Polling Stations are now sharpening their pencils for the Euro Referendum Elections.

Whatever the outcome of this election, the impact not only in Europe, but also in the rest of the world will be huge in our lives.

Twice last week, I was reminded of the enormity of this in a very moving way. The first time was at a Clergy INSET Day (not always a forum for **epiphanies!**), and the second occasion was at my son's school Mass.

Fr. Simon (the curate of Christ the Saviour, Ealing) asked the assembled children who spoke another language at home. Almost half the hands went **up. He then asked who could say the Lord's Prayer in their native tongue. A** Ukrainian girl then prayed that prayer and I got a beautiful glimpse of the extraordinary events on that Pentecost when the Church was born. From the voice of that young girl I was reminded how that very prayer Jesus told us is continuous and universal.

**The Lord's Prayer radically redefines, or more accurately, reiterates, humanity's unique connection to God as Father. It was this aspect of** reconnecting us to God that formed the second little epiphany on the many voices of Europe and the world.

At the Clergy INSET Day we had the privilege of hearing Dr Jane Williams (yes, *his* wife!) talk about vocation. Amongst the riches of her theological reflections was this phrase:

*Pentecost is the reversal of Babel: it reconnected us with God and each other.*

On that occasion, on that Jewish Festival, the people gathered from all over the world in Jerusalem experienced the Holy Spirit of God fall upon them, and they heard one another praising God in their own language. A people discounted from God by their sin, and from each other by language and all that symbolises, were reconnected. The gift of God is to restore and reunite that which was broken and discarded. The season we are in now, Trinity, is a constant reminder of that act of healing and restoration brought about by Jesus Christ, and the on-going work of the Holy Spirit.

Whatever the result on 23<sup>rd</sup> June that spiritual and experiential reality will not change.

The Holy Spirit who came upon those people 2000 years ago, and was at work in that young girl at Christ the Saviour School, is still at work in us, and the world. What we need to do is allow moments and time for the Holy Spirit to express himself in us, the Church and world, in whatever

form we or that Church or world takes.

May we do that this Trinity season, praying to the Father, through the Son, and in the power of the Spirit.

Your friend and priest.

Fr. Robert



## Parish News

By the end of May the liturgical colour will switch from Golds and Reds to Green to mark what is rather plainly called: '**Ordinary Time**'. However, the past few weeks and the next few are anything but *ordinary*.

On Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June we will be joined for a couple of weeks by Fr. Andy Johnson who is curate at St John's with St James' West Ealing. He is coming to us as his Year 2 Placement. The aim of these placements is for curates to experience a different style of church from their own. Hence, there will be the usual placement mixture of doing, watching and reflecting. Please welcome Fr. Andy as he comes and shares his time and ministry with us.

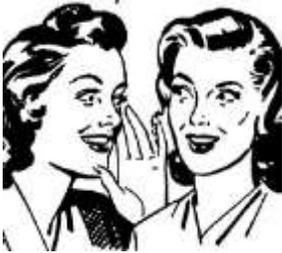
**Fr. Andy's time with us will include our Patronal Festival Celebrations**, which, as well as taking the same successful form as last year, will include **the official opening of St Thomas' Garden on the Sunday after our Patronal Festival Mass**. There will be the opportunity to picnic in the garden, and enjoy fun and games.

May was a very busy month and included two very big events. The first was the '**Come and Sing**' day led by Ralph Allwood and was made possible thanks to the generosity of the *Making Suburban Faith Project* and the **people of St Thomas'**. The second big event was the **Archdeacon of Northolt's Visitation Service** where we were able to provide hospitality and a wonderful example of what (and why) we worship as we do in our corner of the Ealing Deanery. This service takes place even less frequently **than once in a Blue Moon (they're every 3 years!)** because of the number of parishes in the Deanery, so it was a huge privilege to host. A big thank you goes to all who helped make it possible.

Also in May we had our May Fair which raised over £400 for the **Bishop of London's Lent appeal**. This year the appeal goes towards helping the persecuted Church around the world. A big thank you goes to Kirsten Allen and her team for pulling this together!

In June we are fortunate in being able to host a concert given by Paul Ayers on 11<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm. Some of the money raised is going to St Thomas', just in case an extra incentive is needed! It will be an exceptionally good concert so please put it in your diaries. Details are on page 6 in the Trident. We hope you support and enjoy the myriad of events over the next few weeks.

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## From the Editors

We've clutched at a few straws to fill this magazine - so please, if you find something that you think might be of interest to others, please let us know.

*Jill + Sue*

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## Prayer for the month of June

Almighty and eternal God, You have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love. Hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways, and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three persons in one God now and forever.

Amen

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I've changed my Ipod name to Titanic. It's syncing now!

How does Moses make his tea? Hebrews it!

I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I can't put it down!

# Fresh Ayres – The Queldryk Choral Ensemble and guest professional musicians will present music by the award-winning composer Paul Ayres

Saturday 11th June 7.00pm to 9.40pm



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Rebecca Lea, soprano  
Clare McCaldin, mezzo-soprano  
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## The Programme

*Mezzo-soprano Clare McCaldin will give the first complete performance of the song-cycle Artemisia, an exploration of the artistic and personal life of the painter Artemisia Gentileschi (1593-c1656). The words set to music are the seven Artemisia poems by Sue Powell, and the poet will be in attendance to introduce her work.*

***For Sale is a new 'micro-opera' for two performers, to be premiered, in concert***

format, by soprano Rebecca Lea and tenor William Petter.

**Baritone Stephen Kennedy will sing two movements from Messiah, Paul's re-written version of Handel's Messiah: Thus saith the Lord and But who may abide the day of his coming?**

Choral works in the programme include *In the stillness* (words by Margot Arthurton) and the British premiere of *Abba Yitkadash Shemakh* (a setting of the **Lord's Prayer in Aramaic**). **There will be choral arrangements of folksongs** – from Japan (*Edo Lullaby*), the American South (*Wash my hands in muddy water*) and England (*Dashing away with the smoothing iron*) – and of pop tunes *Yesterday* and *A Thousand Years*.

The talented solo and choral singers will be accompanied by four wonderful players: Daniel Pioro, Daniel Roberts, Charlotte Bonneton and Christopher Graves, **and the strings will feature on their own in Paul's classical re-interpretations of Beatles tunes: Concerto on I want to hold your hand, Adagio Cromatico on Michelle, and Trio on Hey Jude.**

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## An apple a day

Here is an excellent reason to eat an apple each day: they really *can* help reduce the risk of dying early – by up to 35 per cent.

A new study by the University of Western Australia has found that apples may boost health because of their high levels of fibre and flavonoids. Apples are high in soluble fibre that slows the build-up of cholesterol-rich plaque in the arteries. Apples are also a good source of magnesium, potassium, vitamin C and flavonoids, which have been linked to lower risk of cardiovascular disease.

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## National Bike Week 11 – 19 June

National Bike Week is the biggest national cycling event of the year, when more than half a million people turn out for events aimed at promoting cycling for everyone.

This year Bike Week aims to encourage people to use their bicycles to commute to work. Many people will use the events to have an enjoyable **ride, to take part in 'buddy' rides with colleagues, to discover the easiest** route to their place of work, or to take part in work place cycle challenges with other colleagues.

There are hundreds of events planned. See: <http://bikeweek.org.uk/events/>

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# All in the month of JUNE

It was:

125 years ago:- on 9<sup>th</sup> June 1891 that Cole Porter was born. This American composer and lyricist was one of the most successful Broadway songwriters of the 1930s. Noted for: *Anything Goes, I Get a Kick Out of You, Begin the Beguine*, etc.

90 years ago:- on 1<sup>st</sup> June 1926 that Marilyn Monroe was born. The iconic film actress, model, singer and sex symbol starred in *Gentlemen Prefer Blondes, The Seven Year Itch, Bus Stop, Some Like It Hot*, etc.

80 years ago:- on 14<sup>th</sup> June 1936 that G K Chesterton died. This British novelist, short story writer, journalist, essayist and theologian was known for his stories about the priest-detective Father Brown.

75 years ago:- from 22<sup>nd</sup> June to 5<sup>th</sup> December 1941 that Operation Barbarossa, the German invasion of the Soviet Union took place. This largest military operation in history ended in a Soviet victory – the German invaders were repelled when they reached Moscow and then driven out of the country by a Soviet counter-attack.

60 years ago:- on 16<sup>th</sup> June 1956 that British poet Ted Hughes married American poet and writer Sylvia Plath.

50 years ago:- on 2<sup>nd</sup> **June 1966 that NASA's space probe Surveyor 1** landed on the Moon to collect data for the Apollo programme. It was the first U.S. craft to soft-land on another extra-terrestrial body.

30 years ago:- on 22<sup>nd</sup> **June 1986 that the 'Hand of God' goal took place** when Argentine football player Diego Maradona scored a goal against England using his hand in the quarter-final of the 1986 FIFA World Cup in Mexico City. (The referee mistakenly thought he had used his head, and so allowed the goal. England was knocked out of the World Cup as a result and Argentina went on to win.)

15 years ago:- on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2001 that Tony Blair won a second consecutive landslide victory in the British general election.

# The Bishop of London

A letter to the Mission Committee

September 2015

Dear Friends,

Lent and Easter are a long way behind us now but I did not want to let the summer pass without writing to thank you for your generous contributions **to the Bishop of London's Mission Fund (BLMF) through this year's Lent Appeal**. Please accept my certificate of thanks highlighting the good work that your parish has undertaken during this Appeal.

With your help to date, we have raised £26,500, all of which will go towards funding an additional 20 youth, children and family workers. This supports one of our Capital Vision 2020 goals: to double the number of young people involved in the local Christian community. We will continue in our fundraising efforts and the BLMF is committed to investing at least £1 million over the next three years in order to realise this goal.

You will remember that our Lent Appeal this year asked the question: **“Who inspired you when you were younger to become the person you are today?”** We know from experience what a great influence good role models have on the development of children and young people and I am very grateful to you for helping to provide workers who can inspire a new generation to follow Jesus Christ.

With thanks for our partnership in the Gospel.

+Richard London

The Rt Revd & Rt Hon Richard Chartres  
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# Patronal Fest

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

**6pm Parish BBQ**

**8.30pm Film Night**

**in the Vicarage Garden**

Bring a blanket, jumper, popcorn, bottle and settle down in front of the big screen to watch the beautiful new film:



# ival Weekend

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July**

**10am Patronal Festival**

**Mass** followed by drinks in the Vicarage Garden and Opening of St Thomas' Garden:

**12-3pm inc. Picnic in the Garden, Fun and Games.**



# 15th June

## Evelyn Underhill – mystical writer of the 20<sup>th</sup> century

For anyone interested in Christian mysticism, Evelyn Underhill may be a good place to begin. She died 75 years ago this month (10<sup>th</sup> June 1941) after a life full of remarkable achievements: author of more than 30 books that explored the intersection between the spiritual and the physical, the first woman ever to lecture to the CofE clergy, the first woman to conduct spiritual retreats for the Church, the first woman to establish ecumenical links between churches, and one of the first woman theologians to lecture in English universities. Evelyn was also an award-winning bookbinder.

Born in 1875, the daughter of a barrister from Wolverhampton, and then wife to a childhood friend, also a barrister, Evelyn moved in cultured, educated circles, and travelled widely each summer along the Mediterranean – both her father and husband were keen yachting enthusiasts.

**Evelyn's inner, spiritual journey was more complex: from agnosticism to theism, on to Neoplatonism and then Roman Catholicism she went, until in 1921 she became an Anglican - with a later fascination for the Greek Orthodox church.** Her daily life was one of reading, writing, and doing various forms of religious work, from visiting the poor to counselling people in trouble.

Her spiritual search began in childhood, after a number of "abrupt experiences of the peaceful, undifferentiated plane of reality—like the 'still desert' of the mystic—in which there was no multiplicity nor need of explanation". Trying to understand these mystical experiences sparked her passion and lifelong quest.

Evelyn became one of the most widely read writers on mysticism in the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Her greatest book, *Mysticism: A Study of the Nature and Development of Man's Spiritual Consciousness*, was published in 1911, and is romantic, engaged, and theoretical rather than historical or scientific. While writing it she came into contact with Baron Friedrich von Hugel, who became her spiritual mentor for many years. He gradually steered her away from mysticism and towards a more Christocentric view of reality.

During World War I Evelyn worked in naval intelligence, but in later years became a Christian pacifist.

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## MAY

29th Sun

1st Sunday after Trinity

31st Tues

PCC. 8pm

## JUNE

4th Sat

Churches Together in Hanwell meeting TBA

5th Sun

2nd Sunday after Trinity

11th Sat

The Queldryk Choral Ensemble 7pm

12th Sun

3rd Sunday after Trinity

19th Sun

4th Sunday after Trinity

26th Sun

5th Sunday after Trinity

## JULY

2nd Sat

Parish BBQ and film night from 6pm

3rd Sun

**St Thomas' Patronal day**

Garden Party 12 noon.

10th Sun

7th Sunday after Trinity

17th Sun

8th Sunday after Trinity

26th Tues

PCC 8pm

## SEPTEMBER

3rd Sat

Panto Kick-off BBQ (TBC)

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