# ALL SAINTS CHURCH BOYNE HILL MAIDENHEAD PARISH NEWS www.allsaintsboynehill.org.uk Issue 228 11 JUNE 2025 NEXT ISSUE 25 JUNE 2025



Dear Friends and Parishioners of All Saints, Boyne Hill,

A couple of weeks ago I put some Cuban Salsa through the church sound system. I promised to play about 30 seconds, but one or two folks noticed that I extended the music to over a minute. This pleased a few but perhaps not everyone! Mind you the upset caused by playing Café Salsa, a spicey mix of hot rhythms with Latin spirit was nowhere near as disturbing as seeing me trying to dance a few steps. Yes, there I was trying a basic step, a cross-body lead and a Suzi q in the aisle of the church instead of focussing on the theme of the Ascension and the church praying for the coming of the Holy Spirit.

To move from level one to level two you need to move to the rhythm of the beat and dance to the steps of your partner. Over two years I failed in both compartments of the dance and hence never made it to the giddy heights of level two. Due to my lack of confidence, I never asked a fellow dancer to practice the moves following the classes. I remained a spectator!

Other interests we may enjoy in life like watching a great sporting event, or watching a classic film or listening to a beautiful musical concert or exploring a beautiful work of art leaves us spectating. However, we can be drawn into the game, the film, the music or even the art in such a way that we move beyond being a spectator to being emotionally changed and challenged by the experience.

The morning, I spoke about dancing I reflected on Luke's gospel and the Acts of the Apostles which tells us of the greatest story ever told. We are challenged to not just be spectators but actors within this story. When Jesus washed the feet of the disciples on Maundy Thursday, he challenged them to go and do likewise. It is servant leadership shown by Jesus that asks each of us to step into the shoes of the other. As members of the Body of Christ we can all play our part as a spirit filled church not just the clergy but all baptised and confirmed Christians.

On Good Friday we hear the words of Christ 'My God, My God, why hath thou forsaken me? Jesus walks with us in our own struggles through life. We are not alone but comforted by the presence of Christ within the suffering of life. From the Cross we experience the resurrection. Jesus then shares the experiences with the early Apostles such as in the Supper at Emmaus. Caravaggio's wonderful painting of this scene invites the viewer into the story just as the early followers of Christ were called to be the early church that shared the Christian faith around the Mediterranean and further afield. Luke is asking us to play our part in the story or if you like to dance to the tune and rhythm of God's Spirit.

Of course, it's tempting not to get involved. We will miss the beat, step on our partners toes! To become a good dancer can take years and spontaneity and creativity come from the base of practising. (This I learned from a former dancer who now teaches dance who was listening to the sermon). We need to be open to the Spirit. 'The dancer needs an openness and awareness. The Latin verb to educate, educere, indicates it is not a question of putting something in but drawing it out, if it is there to begin with.' (Taken from an article by the dancer Martha Graham and shared with me by the dance teacher.)

Luke tells us to pray for the Holy Spirit to discern or bring out the calling and energy that is within us. If we are to dance to the rhythm and the beat of the music in tune with our partner/s we need to discern the plan of the play right, the film director, the music director to play our part. We are not called to dance Salsa but rather the divine community dance as partners with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We must listen and discern the tune and the part in life God is desiring us to play.

This Sunday is Trinity Sunday. We are invited to make communion with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We consider this a circular dance motion that begins with the three persons and we as the partners. We then go into the world to invite others to join the dance.

May you all be blessed by God's love this Ascensiontide and Pentecost,

Fr Jeremy

#### **RESOURCES FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS**

**Thursday 12 June** 3.00pm Open the Book at All Saints School

8.00pm Choir Practice

Friday 13 10.00 am Tiny Saints Toddler Group in the Parish Centre

Sunday 15 10.00am Parish Eucharist for Trinity Sunday – Fr Jeremy

3.00pm Confirmation class for children in the Birinus room – week three

6.00pm Sundays@6 Taize service at St Luke's

Monday 16 9.30am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 17 9.30am Morning Prayer

1.30pm Chapel & Chats at Altwood School

Wednesday 18 10.00am Eucharist Fr Jeremy

3.00pm Open the Book at Larchfield School

6.30pm - 7.30pm Young adults confirmation - - Week 3

**Thursday 19** 3.00pm Open the Book at All Saints School

4.00-5.00pm Wedding rehearsal at All Saints Church

7.30pm Celebration Eucharist for Corpus Christi at St Stephen and St Agnes, Windsor

Friday 20 10.00am Tiny Saints Toddler Group in the Parish Centre

1.30pm Wedding of Matthew Davis and Laura Jones

6.30pm Wedding rehearsal for Sam Wallis and Maria Estrada Fuentes

8.00pm Royal British Legion meeting

Saturday 21 11.30am Baptism service followed by Wedding of Sam Wallis and Maria Estrada Fuentes

Sunday 22 10.00am Parish Eucharist for the First Sunday After Trinity – Fr Jeremy

3pm Confirmation Class for children – Week 4

4pm Sundays @4 Peter & Paul

**Monday 23** 8.50am All Saints School Assembly on Responsibility

9.30am Morning Prayer

7.30pm Sustainability meeting in the Birinus Room

**Tuesday 24** 7.30pm Welcome Group meeting in the Birinus Room

Wednesday 25 10am Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion – Fr Jeremy

11.30am Normanhurst Care Home service 2.30pm Larchfield Care Home service

6.30pm - 7.30pm Young Adults confirmation class - Week 4

#### **FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Saturday 5 July 9.30am – 12.30pm Saturday Morning Get-together in the Parish Centre See p 7 for more details Saturday 12 July 6.30pm Renaissance Voices Concert in church See p 8 and attached flier for more details

#### **PRAYER INTENTIONS**

We praise you, God the Father, life giver and creator of us. We praise you, God the Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. We praise you, God the Holy Spirit, guide and friend. Surround us in your mystery and be with us this coming week. Lord, grant us in our lives a share in the mutual love of the Holy Trinity. May that unbroken harmony be shown in our families, in our work and in all our relationships.

As members of the Body of Christ we partake in the Divine Nature of God. We are not watching; we dance the dance. We join hands with Christ and the Spirit flows through us and between us and our feet move always in the embrace of the Father. May we see the joyful love of the Father through the eyes of the Son, and with every breath may we breathe the Holy Spirit.

We pray for peace in our troubled world of unrest. We continue to hold before you the people of Gaza, Israel, Iran, Ukraine and Russia, Sudan and South Sudan. We pray for the time when weapons of war are turned into ploughshares and nations no longer lift up sword against nation and peace is found. We pray for the work of the United Nations as they seek unity and solidarity in the World.

We pray for our planned day looking at Safeguarding and Stewardship. We pray that we will be guided by the Holy Spirit to fulfil God's mission within our local communities and the wider world. We pray for more people to support ministry in areas of welcome, sustainability, schools and children and families ministry and worship. We pray too for those who support ministry through finance, administration, buildings and other areas of parish life.

We pray for those in need; Daneille, Sylvia Denison, Gordon Kerrison, Sylvia Telford, Barbara Bannister, Hugh Boulter, Scopas Lado, Margaret Ego, Vera Shaw, Nick Kirk, Heidi Webb, Massouma Hassani, Akram Taj-eddin, Mahmoud Tabki, Diana Monari, Abdul Ghader Tajeddini, Barbara Ann- Bourne, Beryl Dorton, David Morgan, Elek Bologo, Edite Zadinane, Catherine, Tadeusz, Lynda, Julie Deane-Williams and Emilia Bolygo. We pray that they may know God's healing presence.

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## WORSHIP FOR SUNDAY 15 JUNE COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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

#### EPISTLE Roman 5: 1 - 5

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

#### **GOSPEL John 16: 12 - 15**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.'

#### **MUSIC**

Prelude Der du bist Drei in Einigkeit J F Alberti
Opening hymn: 276 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! Nicea

Anthem: God so loved the world Stainer

Offertory hymn: 268 Affirm anew the threefold Name Kingsfold (204) Communion hymn 1: 628 Father of heaven, whose love profound Rievaulx

Communion hymn 2: 805 There is a Redeemer Melody Green
Closing hymn: 810 Thou whose almighty word Moscow
Postlude Fugue in E flat Major BWV 552 JSBach

# SUNDAY 22 JUNE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY COLLECT

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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

#### EPISTLE Galatians 3: 23 – 29

Before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ; There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

#### **GOSPEL Luke 8: 26 - 39**

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me' – for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

#### **MUSIC**

Prelude Meditation P Hurford

Opening hymn: 291 Christ is made the Sure Foundation Westminster Abbey Gradual hymn: 591 As pants the hart for cooling streams Martydom

Offertory hymn: 506 The Church's one foundation Aurelia Communion hymn: 428 Broken body for our good Aberystwyth Closing hymn: 563 Jesus Christ is waiting Noel Nouvelet

Postlude: Fugue in G Minor BWV 542 JS Bach

#### SATURDAY MORNING GET-TOGETHER IN THE PARISH CENTRE - 5 JULY 9.30AM - 12.30pm

Do join us for this Saturday Morning get-together — it's a great opportunity to input into the running of the Church and find out more about our Stewardship Group and our Safeguarding at All Saints. There will be light refreshments and also an opportunity to win a prize......

The topics for this occasion will be Stewardship and Safeguarding.

**Stewardship** - we will be revisiting and sharing the results of the survey we ran in 2024 on how people view our Church; some of you contributed to this, and your views and contributions on how things are now will help with moving ahead. We are also keen to get the views from newer members of the congregation.

Safeguarding - I think we all feel All Saints is a safe place and that we are following God's command to protect and support the weak and the vulnerable - children and adults, in our community. We will be sharing exactly how safeguarding works in our church and the Diocese and helping make sure you are comfortable with what you can do if you do come across any behaviour or situation that worries you. Please come and share your thoughts about this and how we can make it our church's mission to make sure everyone feels safe, and that we have safeguarding at the heart of our way of life at All Saints.

Each session will last approximately one hour with light refreshments in between.

There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church; please add your name if you are able to join us, for catering purposes

Jeremy Nordberg, Stewardship Group and Stella Harding, Parish Safeguarding Officer

#### **PARISH NEWS NEWS**

Tanya has very kindly agreed to produce the next two editions of the PN so anything for the 25 June edition please send to her by Monday 16 June

Jan Moss

#### RENAISSANCE VOICES CONCERT 6.30pm SATURDAY 12 JULY Flyer attached

Featuring the choir, instrumentalists and soloists in the ever-popular Gloria by Vivaldi, Concerto for two violins by J S Bach, Beatus Vir by Monteverdi and other choral works. The musicians are directed by Paul Leddington Wright.

Tickets are £18, £16 in advance (renaissancevoices.co.uk or 01628 624429) under 18s are free. The ticket also includes a light supper after the concert. The concert starts at 6.30pm.

Brían Graves



# Renaissance Voices

25th Anniversary Concert

directed by

Paul Leddington Wright

# Vivaldi - Gloria

Bach - Double Violin Concerto Monteverdi - Beatus Vir assorted choral music

### All Saints Chamber Orchestra

Leader - Jonny Hayward Soprano - Kathy Bragg Soprano - Mina Baba Countertenor - Robert Jones

Saturday 12th July 2025 at 6.30pm
All Saints Church, Maidenhead, SL6 4HE

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