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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Prov 8: 22-31; Rom 5: 1-5; John 16: 12-15



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DIVINE OFFICE

Sunday Weekday Saturday **MATINS** 6.00am 6.30am LAUDS 7.35am 7.35am 7.35am VESPERS 6.00pm 6.35pm 5.15pm COMPLINE 8.00pm VIGIL

7.30pm

WEEKDAY & SATURDAY

MASSES 7.00am

(With the Monks) 9.15am 6.00pm (Vigil Mass of Sunday)

CONFESSION:

<u>Saturday</u>: 10am-11am/4pm-5pm, <u>Thursday</u>: 7.45pm-8.15pm

SUNDAY MASS

9.00am (with children's liturgy) 10.15am (Family Mass in Abbey Hall)

(Choral Mass) 10.30am 12 noon (Sung Mass)

(Young people's Mass) 7.00pm

Dear Parishioner,

As a 20-something undergraduate I remember frequently singing out the word's of Don McClean's American Pie which included the words '.....And the three men I admire most, the Father, Son and the Holy Ghost; they caught the last train for the coast the day the music died.' McLean of course was not offering a somewhat distinctive reflection on trinitarian theology but he was talking about the tragic death of Buddy Holly who died in a plane crash in 1959, an event which impacted the lives of many at the time and probably since.

The psalmist had a slightly different take on pain as he screamed for God on his bed of pain, only to hear his pleadings return to him as an echo. His is a stark reminder that when we are faced with the pain of those who long for the comforting presence of God in the midst of suffering we are often reduced to silence. , Such is the misery and paucity of language increasingly highlighted by journalists for example, as they attempt to report on and come to terms with the incessant tragedy that is Gaza.

So on this Trinity Sunday we might well recall our own well-meaning yet feeble attempts to 'contain' the Trinity with shamrocks and equilateral triangles and other visual aids and treat it as a problem to be solved rather a spiritual reality to be entered into.

Thomas Aquinas in the 12th century spoke of the 'misery of language' when speaking about the Trinity. On many levels, the Trinity is most certainly a far cry from human suffering and yet if it is to mean something other than a fourth century game of 'intellectual sudoku' which exercised the minds of the early church fathers it must remain connected to that suffering. The Redemptorist Denis McBride reflects thus: 'What we hunger for is not a new argument about the Trinity, but the experience of a God who loves us.' And the promise of Jesus in today's gospel is that he will share the love between himself and the Father with all his followers. That God will live with us in the power of the Spirit. As Catholic Christians we believe that the Spirit of God is alive within us and it is that same Spirit that experiences our hunger and poverty and loneliness and helps us voice our prayers. We may the take heart and be pleased that God still chooses to dwell with us and groans within us as we struggle towards the peace of His kingdom.

Theologian John McDade reminds us: '.....God's eternal existence (Father) is expressive (Word) and unitive (Love) and when you live out a Christian life with Christ in the Spirit, you're living out the mystery of [the triune] God in a conscious way, folding yourself back into the eternal reality of God, and able to live the most profound life possible. Enjoy! After all, it's what you are made for.'

Deacon Alex

Anniversaries from the week commencing 15th 2025

Elsie Coleman, Honour Dolan, Bernard Nesden, Josephine Ball, Gavin Bissett, Peter McElwee, Christine Nocek, Stephen Healy, Suzanne Conningham-Lindahl, Helen Lusty, Margaret Hickey, William English, Wilhelmina Litwinionek, Antoni Kaminski, Briony Pollock, Mary Hallinan, Derek Carroll, Madeleine Diener, Helen Bem, Marte O'Brien, James Donovan, Victor De Luca (Mansini), Don Nihal Liyanage, Derek Carroll, Janice Lee, Margaret Tighe, Margaret Mahoney, Madeline Blake, Peggy Gaynor, Elizabeth Cooper, Lawrence O'Shea, Mary Hall, Chattergoon BoodooSingh, Alan Hutton

Information & Diary

Sunday 15th June THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Monday 16th June

8-9pm: Bingo in Parish Hall.

Tuesday 17th June

1.00-3.00pm: Senior citizens in the Coffee Lounge.

6.30pm- Meditation: in the Bulbeck Room with Fr. Robin Burgess.

Wednesday 18th June

7.00-8.15pm: Ealing Abbey Lay Plainchant Choir, Maurice Fowler Hall. New members/beginners welcome. For further information, see www.ealpc.org 7.30pm-9pm: Reflection on the papal document 'Laudato Deum' Reading & Study Small Group with Fr Kevin McDonagh. Coffee Lounge. All welcome.

Thursday 19th June St Romuald

40 hours Eucharistic Adoration 10am-10pm

Toddlers will be back next Thursday 26th June in the parish hall. 10.00am: Lectio Divina in the Bulbeck Room with Sheila Rees, refreshments at 11.00am and meditation at 11.15. With Fr Robin Burgess.

Friday 20th June St Anthony of Padua 40 hours Eucharistic Adoration 7.30 am-10pm

Saturday 21st June St Aloysius Gonzaga 40 hours Eucharistic Adoration 7.30 am-9pm

3-5pm: Charismatic prayer group-Coffee lounge.

Finance News

We are deeply grateful for the wonderful financial support we receive. If you would like to make a donation to help us to continue to sustain the mission of the Church, share the Gospel and serve those in need, our Bank Account details are: Royal Bank of Scotland, 49 Bishopsgate, London EC2N 3AS Account No: 19123696 Sort Code: 16-00-15 Account Name: The Trust of St Benedict's Ealing Abbey

Notices

First Holy communion and youth group registration

Registration for first Holy Communion and Youth Group 2025/2026 is now open. See our web site for more details or contact formation@ealingabbey.org.uk

Parish Events June 2025

Thursday 19th - Saturday 21st June: 40 Hours Adoration Please join us for our Eucharistic Adoration 40 hours. We hope you can commit to an hour or more as we prepare for Corpus Christi. There are sheets in both porches for you to choose a slot, along with prayer intentions for you to fill out and leave in the baskets. Please sign up!

> Summer Social - New Date & Venue Now 21st June 2025 at 4pm (not Saturday 12th July)

The Summer Social supporting carers and families with special needs will now be held at 4 Mount Pleasant Road W5 1SG. Please come for a bring and share tea at 4pm

All welcome! RSVP phillycodrington@hotmail.com

Some of the group will go to 6pm mass at Ealing Abbey after, for Corpus Christi. You are welcome to join for both!

Sunday, 22nd June 2025: Corpus Christi Join us to celebrate Corpus Christi Sunday with a procession at the 12pm mass by refreshments in the Parish Hall after mass. All welcome!

What's On at Ealing Abbey

July 2025

Sunday, 6th July 2025: Civic Mass 10.30am Join us for mass, followed by refreshments in the Parish Hall to meet the mayor. All welcome! Scan QR code for a list of latest events, or visit our website

Pentecost Vigil and Parish Social Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who attended, contributed and participated in last Saturday's Pentecost Vigil Mass and International Bring and Share Parish Social. It was a beautiful service brought to life with music, international readings and artwork, followed by wonderful food from around the world, as we gathered to celebrate the Feast of Pentecost as one Parish family. Special thanks to everyone involved in the coordination and preparation for the mass and gathering, including our speakers and especially:

•Our singers and musicians: Fabrizia Boscarelli (music, vocal), Robert Brown (music, piano)

•Our readers: Jane Duncan, Harminder Singh Dadiala, Jolanta Edwards, Laurina Obioha and Wisam Khadouri •Coordination, design, artwork & displays - Chelle D'cruz (Pastoral Coordinator)

•Paintings from the Art & Prayer Group led by Karolina Stolarska

Thank you also to our Pastoral Council members for their help and support and to everyone who cooked, made a dish and to the social committee and Jonny in the Benet Bar for their hospitality!

Reflection on the papal document 'Laudato Deum' Reading & Study Small Group with Fr Kevin McDonagh.

7.30pm-9pm starting 18th June 2025 in the Coffee Lounge for 5 weeks Fr Kevin McDonagh will be running a reading & study group of Pope Francis' Laudato Deum document, programmed over 5 weeks starting Wednesday 18th June in the coffee lounge. If you are interested in social teaching the words of the Church and Justice issues, please do come along.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham: Saturday 20th September 2025 Be part of the Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham, led by Cardinal Vincent on

Saturday 20th September, with the theme in this Jubilee Year of With Mary, we are Pilgrims of Hope, Sharing Mary's Joy'. Timings and the Itinerary available on the Parish Website and on the pilgrimages notice board) - please contact Chelle D'cruz chelle@ealingabbey.org.uk to express your interest.

Ealing Abbey Parish - Pilgrimage to Rome 4 nights 17th-20th Nov with Tangney Tours. Limited places still available! Contact ASAP to book

Led by Greg Smith. Full package price £1025 per person includes half board accommodation £120 single room supplement. BA flights from Heathrow. Full itinerary included. For further details and a booking form please contact Sarah at Tangney Tours, Email: sarah@tangneytours.com Booking forms are also available in the two porches and via Parish office and on the parish website - under Pilgrimages.