

'Broken hosts.' An up-dated note from last week. For this Sunday (and possibly on one or two others) those receiving the Blessed Sacrament at the side chapel at the 0930 Eucharist will be receiving a small piece of a larger wafer, the sort used by the priest, and shown to the people at the consecration elevation. The simple reason for this is that we have a larger stock than usual of priest's hosts, and they need to be used up. Some churches normally use broken hosts in order to stress the 'one bread' aspect of the Eucharist, but there are no plans to do this here. It is simply a case of sorting out our stock of bread; it is not 'some new thing.' Those receiving at the High Altar will probably find that they are receiving a normal, round individual host.

The Faculty Notice in connexion with the formal application to have our Stations of the Cross is on display in the Welcome Area, and also outside on the small new notice-board by the Tower Door. Any queries to the Vicar or the Administrator.

Children's Society boxes. These are now due for collection. Please could holders bring them to church as soon as possible. Many thanks. S.H.

The summer season of **Lunchtime Organ Recitals** at 1245 on Tuesdays will be starting next week (28 June). The first recital will be given by the Organ Scholar of Southwark Cathedral.

Looking ahead. There are two special features on *Sunday, 3 July*, and it would be very helpful if 'personal publicity' were added to what we do officially by way of EPN, the Notes, posters and the like. At 1100 there will once again be the service entitled '*All creatures great and small*', an occasion which draws to St Mary's many people who would not otherwise be here. If the person next door has a dog or a cat (or whatever), please do not hesitate to do some over-the-garden-wall inviting. Similarly in the evening, for all music-lovers, there will be a splendid occasion of music and worship, when we shall be welcoming once again the excellent choir of *Emanuel School*. They will be singing Choral Eversong first (this should last about half-an-hour), and will then be giving a recital of the sort of music which really ought to have a pretty wide appeal: the *Requiem* by *John Rutter*, and *Vaughan Williams' 'Five Mystical Songs'*. Again, please spread the word. This is, of course, the choir of our own Sub-Organist, *Jonathan Holmes*, and so I hope that many St Mary's folk will also see this both as a treat, and, by supporting it, as an occasion for saying thank-you to Jonathan for the way in which he has enhanced our worship here in recent years with his magnificent handling of our mighty instrument

Next Sunday. A normal Sunday morning at St Mary's. In the afternoon there will be Eversong and Holy Baptism at 1630. Once again, we would be grateful for some support at this service from members of the morning congregations: the new Christians need all the welcome, support and prayer that we can offer them. They themselves may not be much aware of it, but their parents and godparents will be. Quite apart from any theological factors, the simple fact of finding a warm welcome in church at a christening can mean very much to those who bring their children to baptism.

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WEEKLY NOTES

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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

The readings at the Eucharist today are not a little heavy-going, and for once the extract from the Epistle to the Romans is perhaps easier to grasp than some of the harder bits of the usually very readable St Matthew. Such things occasionally happen. Whether Bishop Randolph decides to expound the scriptures of the day or not remains to be seen, but although I do not normally fight shy of such things I suspect I would have been glad to take advantage of the possibility of an alternative topic. Anyway, we shall see.

It is, of course, a great delight to welcome the Bishop of Guyana to St Mary's once again. Over the years he has become a familiar figure, and it is good that we can be regularly kept in mind of the very different situations which confront the Church in other parts of God's vineyard. We have been twinned with the parish of Corriverton, on the Surinam border, for some years, and there is a distinct possibility that Fr Marcus Simon, the parish priest, will be able to visit us in August. Bishop Randolph will no doubt tell us something about Corriverton, but he has a whole country as his diocese. He will doubtless have much to tell about a country where there has been much politically volatility and a history of unrest, and how the Church grapples with the many problems facing it. It is good to see him again. W.R.H.

Our prayers today. We pray for our church and parish, In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Church in Guyana, for Bishop Randolph and his clergy and people, especially for our twinned parish of Corriverton, and Fr Marcus Simon the parish priest; in the diocese we pray for the University Chaplains at Guildford and Egham; and in the parish we pray for the Tuesday House Group, and for the people who live in St Mary's Close.

*Welcome to any visitors or newcomers to St Mary's today.
Please make yourselves known, and join us for coffee in
the church hall across the road between the 0930 and 1100
services. Bishop Randolph will be speaking at about 1115.*

0800

HOLY COMMUNION

Order 1: page 167.

Eucharistic Prayer E: page 196

SUNDAY SERVICES

Common Worship rite

Collect of the Day: page 410

We are using mainly the **West Indian rite** at the Sung Eucharist today. Wayfarers in the Parish Room; Children's Hour in the hall; Crèche available in church.
The black copies of *Common Worship* are not needed at this service.

Setting of the Eucharist: *Britten, Missa Brevis in D*

Introit hymn: 483

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL:

And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Blessed Lord and Father, we have assembled in your Name and in fellowship with one another. Enable us by your grace to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; to proclaim and respond to your holy word. Teach us to pray for your world and your Church. Grant that we, confessing our sins, may worthily offer to you our souls and bodies as a living sacrifice and eat and drink of your spiritual food in this Holy Sacrament. Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison
Lord, have mercy: Christ, have mercy: Lord, have mercy.

Gloria in excelsis: *Merbecke* melody; **hymn book: page 830 (or 559)**

Collect of the Day:

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy, that with you as our ruler guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; 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.

Readings, as usual, on a separate paper.

New Testament Reading from St Paul's Letter to the Romans

Gradual hymn: 114

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew

Other events and notices

Monday	2000	Meeting of the Internal Affairs Committee.
Tuesday	2000	Meeting of 'Pro Musica.'
Wednesday	1030-1200	Coffee Morning in the Church Hall. 'Have a break; have a coffee.'
Thursday	0930	The Coffee Morning outing to Brighton (see below)
	1600	Vicar at Church House, Westminster, for farewell gathering for the Chairman of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission.
	2000	'A time of Prayer and Worship' at Bourne Hall, organized by <i>Churches Together in Ewell</i> . This is a follow-up to the Prayer Walk on 27 April, when a hundred or so stayed on to pray at St Clement's, when the walkers converged. All are welcome. It is in Room D at Bourne Hall.
Saturday	1100	The wedding of Julia Scott and Arthur Mathews.

The hatchment, which recently came to light, and which is propped up in the north aisle, has been the subject of eager investigation. We should have something to report quite soon.

The acting Archdeacon. Two clergymen have recently taken on the temporary posts of acting-Archdeacons of Surrey and Dorking. In our own case the Ven. David Gerrard was going to hold the fort until Canon Henderson takes up the post in the autumn. Unfortunately he is now in hospital, having suffered a brain haemorrhage, so he is no longer able to act as interim archdeacon.

A new priest has been appointed to **All Saints, West Ewell**. The Reverend Ian Witham will be licensed there on Tuesday, 6 September.

'**Echoes of Eternity**'. Someone has very kindly given me a copy of this excellent book of poems of faith and doubt, written by a former curate of this parish, the Reverend Barry Preece, who is now Rector of The Clandons. It may be a 'senior moment', but I have forgotten who it was, or indeed whether it was just a loan. Would the person concerned please let me know? Fr Preece's poems are thought-provoking and challenging. It is good that other St Mary's clergy write poetry, at least it is a change from hymnody! My own poetry over the years has not been extensive, not least because I have found that in the real world of being Vicar of Ewell such things as hymnody, paraphrasing and revising are quite enough to do on this side of things; but, having produced two hymn-books here, perhaps I shall ease off a bit and revisit the world of 'straight' poetry. Although it is reasonably common knowledge, I am not sure that it is all that well known here that the Archbishop of Canterbury is (in addition to all his many other accomplishments) a highly accomplished poet, who writes with great sensitivity and depth of feeling. W.R.H.

Brighton-bound The Coffee Morning outing to Brighton takes place on Thursday. The coach will leave from the lych-gate at St Mary's at 0930, and arrive back in Ewell at around 1800-1830.

Sermon by **Bishop Randolph George**
 Nicene Creed: *Merbecke* melody; **hymn book: page 833 (or 562)**
 Intercession.
concluding Collect:

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Prayers of Penitence.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

A period of silence shall be kept.

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and one another, in thought, word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are sorry and repent of all our sins. For your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, 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, 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.
ALL. Amen.

Then all stand for the Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ. By the one Spirit we were all baptized into one Body, and have all been made to drink of the one Spirit.

ALL

Let us then pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL: And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: 484; Collection.

Through your goodness, Lord, we have this bread and wine to offer, the fruit of the earth and the work of human hands. They will become our spiritual food.

ALL

All things come from you, O Lord, and of your own do we give you. Blessed be God for ever. Amen.

Lord God of truth, we have seen with our eyes, and touched with our hands, the Bread of Life; strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you and for each other; we ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Bishop's Blessing and the Dismissal:

The Blessing begins:

Bishop: Our help is in the name of the Lord

All: Who has made heaven and earth.

Bishop: Blessed be the name of the Lord.

All: Now and for ever. **A-men.**

The Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn 361

[Version of tune at OEH 249 ii (with Amen)]

1100

CHORAL MATTINS *Book of Common Prayer rite*
 [Short service today to enable the congregation to hear Bishop Randolph afterwards.]

Responses: page 8

Music: *Field*

Venite (shorter version)

Psalms 93 In honour of the majesty of God the creator. Page 249

Blue book: page 653

First Lesson from the Book Deuteronomy.

Benedictus: page 11

Second Lesson from the Gospel according to St. John. Blue book: page 654

Hymn 149 (ii)

The Lord's Prayer, the Collect of the Day, and the Grace.

1115 **Bishop Randolph gives us an update on the Guyana scene.**

1800 **Evening Prayer** in the Parish Room.

In church this week.

Tuesday	1000	Holy Communion
Friday	1100	Nuptial Mass

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.
Lift up your hearts.
And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God:

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Choir:

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus,

Dominus Deus Sabaoth,

Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.

Osanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. *Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest*

Osanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you Lord our God,
for the goodness and love you have made known
to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets:
and above all in the Word made flesh,
Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent Him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.

In Him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.
In Him, you have brought us out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

Therefore, Father, according to His command,

LL: We remember His death; We proclaim His resurrection; we await His coming in glory.

And we offer our sacrifice of praise
and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation,
this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts
that they may be the sacrament of
the Body of Christ and His Blood
of the New Covenant.

Unite us to your Son in His sacrifice
that we, made acceptable in Him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

PEOPLE Amen.

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:
ALL

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name;
your kingdom come; your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

This is the true bread which comes from heaven
ALL

Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

The Invitation:

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

ALL

Our souls will feast and be satisfied, and we will sing glad
songs of praise to Him.

After the Invitation: Hymn 284

During the Communion: *Agnus Dei*

Anthem: Hymn to the Virgin.

Julie Ainscough

The words of the anthem, the music of which is an 'early work' by our own
Director of Music, are printed on a separate paper, since they would take up
too much space. The medieval macaronic text (English-Latin) is perhaps more
familiar to us at St Mary's from the well-known setting by Benjamin Britten.

Then all stand after the Anthem for the Post-Communion Prayer

In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your sons
and daughters;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation:

By whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
Almighty Father, now and ever.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those
who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and forever.
Amen.