

HolyTrinityNews



The Newsletter for Holy Trinity Church, East Finchley

September 2018

The Church Newsletter - a Celebration

Did you know that we have been fortunate to have a parish newsletter now for four and a half years? It began in April 2014, following a somewhat brief 'discussion' between myself and Fr Gray about whether I was the right person to put the newsletter together, and here we are, 52 editions later!

There has been so much to celebrate and report on over the years, that in this, my last edition as 'editor/chief-cobbler-togetherer' I thought I would summarise some of the highs of our newsletter time together as a parish.

Edition number 1 got off to a great start, with news of Graeme and Sam Hattrick renewing their wedding vows, good news about our Year 6 confirmation group, the book club, diary of events and of course, a request for parishioners to become regular givers!



Hiscock, Sonia Singham, Chinelo Nwajiobi, Me (Paula Quiddington), Sarah Tyner, Simon Woods, Roz Kimani, Stroma Leith, Nic Robinson, Cristina Taran, Fr Marius Mirt, Alex Thomson, Alexandra Denye, Jenny Borst, Tamarin Arden, Wiebke Thormahlen, Sylvia Duthie, Jan Stanway, John Anderson, The lovely, late, Angela Anderson, and not forgetting Michael Stanway, posthumously. Culminating with, Toluwaloju Osoba.

Many thanks to all those who contributed in the spirit in which it was intended, with humour and honesty, to let us delve a bit deeper and discover a bit more about our Holy Trinity family.

Without the newsletter interviews, we may never have known that Chinelo studied medicine, or that Alexandra does stand up comedy, that Fr Marius has met Pope John Paul II, or that Tam lived on the Navajo Reservation in New Mexico. And not forgetting that Simon was once a croupier at a London casino or that Alex Thomson won tickets to the European premiere of the Lord of the Rings! Fascinating!

It is also interesting to note that the majority of the interviewees preferred wine to beer, dogs to cats and spaghetti to chips. How did we function before we knew these facts?

The newsletter has also provided us with important information about up-coming events in the Church and social calendars, such as the Nativity play, Barn Dance and the church autumn fair and provided an insight into the fabric of our amazing church building, celebrating our magnificent stained glass windows, the WW1 graves in our cemetery and the imperfect tiling in the Chancel.

The newsletter has documented many, many happy times at Holy Trinity – weddings, confirmations, Christenings, Christmases, Easters, Holy Trinity School Ofsted success and of course, the licensing of our new vicar.

But, after four and a half years I feel it is time to retire and hand on my pdf collection to a new volunteer. Could that be you? You don't need to have a publishing or design background – I don't – but it would help if you know your way around a computer and perhaps have skills in drawing information out of people for content and putting it together in a readable format. I am very happy to help out with any training or support during the transition period and Fr Marius has suggested perhaps one newsletter a quarter will be sufficient moving forward.

If you would like to know more or are keen to put yourself forward, please let Fr Marius know or email me at newsletter@htef.org.uk otherwise, that's all from me folks!

If you would like to see any of the past newsletters, please let me know, while I still have copies of them all.

Paula Quiddington

From then, we were given a monthly update of services, prayers, community events and our quest to find a full time vicar.

Then in October 2015, I instigated the Church Newsletter Interview. Over the years we have learned a lot about the following contributors:

Fr Gray Featherstone (the first victim), David Smith, Stephen

SATURDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2018

7.00-10.30PM

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Prayer

Almighty God, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption, may have grace to take up our cross and follow him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.

Amen.

Book of Common Prayer

Grange Big Local Fun Palace Sat 6 Oct 12-4pm

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Around and About

Readers will have noted the felling of the Scots pine near the back door of the church. We had no choice but to fell it as it was a potential threat to the lives of all who use the path. We have been told by the local authority to replace the tree with another one in the same location. We will not do this as it would mean digging into a grave. The story continues...

ALSO: we need a few more Members of our Welcome Team. We have recently lost the services of four of the team. If you would like to step forward please contact David Smith at church or by phoning 07944 049 250.

ALSO : It would be good to tidy up the Garden of Remembrance before the centenary of 1918. It was set up by the local branch of The Royal British Legion which has since disbanded. If you can help please let David Smith know.

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Holy Trinity Autumn Fair

SATURDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2018 12-3pm

Put the date in your diary – tell all your friends, family and acquaintances and come along for a fun packed afternoon!

Focussing on children's activities last year worked so well, we're doing the same this year. New games this year are High or Lo and Spin to Win a Beanie Baby.

If you can run a stall, game or activity please let Alexandra, Cristina or Stroma know. If running a stall isn't your thing, there's plenty of other things to do, help set-up, sort through donations, make cakes, distribute fliers, bake cakes (yep we need a lot!) and put posters up – any help will be greatly appreciated.

Donations can be bought in to the church from now on and include bottles, paperback books, children's clothes, toys and games and cakes.

If it's difficult to bring items, we can arrange for them to be collected.

And finally...

A diary of forthcoming events.



September 29th	7-10.30pm	Barn Dance
September 30th	10am	Harvest Festival
November 10th	12-3pm	Autumn Fair
November 11th	10am	Remembrance Sunday
November 21st	8pm	PCC Meeting
November 25th	10am	Christ the King - Parish Eucharist
December 2nd	10am	Advent Sunday - Parish Eucharist
December 5th	8pm	Advent Group
December 12th	8pm	Advent Group
December 16th	5pm	Carol Service
December 19th	8pm	Advent Group
December 24th	4pm	Nativity Play
December 24th	11.30	Midnight Mass
December 25th	10am	Family Eucharist