

This week's diary

Sunday 16th

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am Eucharist
9.15am Choir Practice
10.00am Sung Eucharist, with S.O.S

Monday 17th

No services today

5.00pm Beaver Scouts
6.30pm Cub Scouts

Tuesday 18th

7.00pm Scouts
7.15pm Eucharist

Wednesday 19th

SS GREGORY & MACRINA

5.30pm Eucharist
7.00pm Youth Group

Thursday 20th

ST MARGARET OF ANTIOCH

10.00am Eucharist
10.30am Mencap Summer Show
7.45pm Badminton Group

Friday 21st

8.30am Eucharist
6.30pm Evening Prayer

Saturday 22nd

ST MARY MAGDALENE

9.30am Eucharist

Sunday 23rd

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am Eucharist
10.00am Sung Eucharist, with S.O.S



THE ORBIT

WELCOME
to St. Edmund's
Sunday 16th July 2017

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Today's Services

8.00am Eucharist

10.00am Sung Eucharist

Prelude: Cantique de Jean Racine – G.Faure

Setting: Rogers (Thorne Gloria)

Anthem: Love is the touch of intangible joy – J.Barnard

Hymns: 237, R44, 407, R40, 415

Postlude: Voluntary No 7 – W.Boyce

*Please join us for refreshments after the 10am Eucharist
in the Hall*

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for your reference and prayers this week**

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Notices

Today's Readings

Isaiah 55.10-13; Romans 8.1-11; Matthew 13.1-9,18-23

Isaiah is prophesying to the people who are still in exile in Babylon, and announcing that God will return them to their homeland. The return will show the whole world that God does not abandon his people.

Paul, in Romans, explores the identity both Jewish and non-Jewish believers have in common. Since both alike are 'in Christ', neither need fear condemnation. Both alike receive life from God, for both alike have the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead living in them.

The life of a peasant farmer is an uphill struggle. With only rocky ground to till, and birds, sun and poor soil to contend with, getting anything out of the ground is an achievement. In Jesus' story, told in Matthew's gospel however, the little good ground produces a massive crop. Matthew's community must often have puzzled about why their message wasn't taken up more avidly by their neighbours. Worse than that, some who had joined them in the early days had, under pressure, perhaps, from the hardening line between Jews and Christians and the desire not to rupture their families, dropped out. Some had even been enticed away. The parable reassures the community that it doesn't really matter, because those who remain will, to different degrees, be immensely fruitful.

MENCAP This Thursday, Harrow Mencap will be holding a Summer Show at St Edmunds. There will be light refreshments at 10.30am followed by a Special Summer Show of songs and sketches put on by the clients of the Day Centre at Harrow Mencap Pinner Green. Then at 12.30pm join us up the road for an Open Day for Harrow Mencap's Special Summer Activities for our 70th Anniversary at Greenways Care Home, 633 Waxwell Lane, Pinner anytime from 12.30-3.00pm where a Buffet Lunch and Activities will be happening plus some very Special Guests. There are no tickets prices for these events but we hope people will come along and make a generous donation for Harrow Mencap Funds. Further details from Jeremy Child 07734 955115 Jeremy.child@harrowmencap.org.uk.

ASSUMPTION A Sung Eucharist followed by House Blessing at the Vicarage and Drinks will take place on the Feast of the Assumption on Tuesday 15th August at 7pm.

CHOIR 9.15am choir practice will recommence on Sunday September 3rd.

For your prayers this week...

The sick: Amy Austin, Julie Bent, Suzanne Cooper, Barbara Fairclough, Bernard Fairclough, Kay Fletcher, Ollie Gardiner, Betty Glass, Iris Golding, Darren Hale, Margaret Messenger, Suzanne Nicholls, Joan Rix, Ian Roberts, Ros Shirran, Charlie Shirran, Fred Webb, Julie Windsor, Rachel Windsor, Nora Wood

Anniversaries of death: Margaret Fairclough, Leslie Harding, Beryl Diggins, Marjorie Martin-Richards, Margaret Dale