

Holy Trinity Church Tottenham

Parish Newsletter

Week of 14th Sunday after Trinity,
30th August 2026



'Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?'- Matthew 16.24-26

This week's Gospel can be hard to digest. Jesus begins by speaking of his own death, telling his disciples that he is going to suffer. He is going to die. There is no avoiding it. We see in response to this his friends reaction. Peter cannot stand it and he rebukes Jesus, for telling the truth of what is to come. It tells us much about their relationship, that Peter is prepared to talk to Jesus like this, it is a close friendship. Jesus' response to one of his closest friends is quite shocking.

But Peter isn't speaking what is true, he is responding to hearing the truth badly. Because here the truth is hard, the truth is Jesus' suffering and death, but ultimately his resurrection. He is preparing his friends for what it is come, and that is vitally important.

This is followed by Jesus talking to a crowd, where he talks of the cost of following him. There is no doubt for that crowd that it was high - many there would suffer martyrdom. The cost today for us is different, but

Today I am going to leave you with these questions to contemplate. What is the cost of discipleship for us? How do we priorities the Gospel in our own lives?

Yours in faith, Mthr Emma

News and Notices



Children's Bulletins, during the summer break from Sunday School, children's bulletins with activities and colouring sheetings, along with pencils and crayons will be available from the welcome desk. Please ensure the wallets with pencils and crayons are returned for use the following week.

Choir practice, will restart on Wednesday 9th September, 6.30pm in Church.



Foodbank, 9am to 1pm (distribution 12pm-1pm) on Saturday. Volunteers needed, please come and help for half an hour or hour if you can, any time you can give is appreciated. Please arrive before 11.30, help is especially needed early in the day. If you are available during the week to help with collections, please speak to Christiana.



Cleaning, 10am, Saturday, please come and join us to help with church cleaning.



PCC Meeting, Sunday 6th September, 12pm, the Extraordinary PCC Meeting chaired by Archdeacon John Hawkins will take place after the service on the 6th September. The agenda and papers have been sent to PCC members.

Update on Mthr Emma, she is recovering well from her ankle surgery, and will have an update on her return to the parish after her follow up at the hospital this week.

Prayer Diary for week commencing 30th August 2026

13th Sunday after Trinity 30/08	Prayer for the week <i>Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.</i>
Monday 31/08	St Aidan of Lindisfarne We pray for those in need of solitude and company
Tuesday 01/09	St Giles of Provence We pray for those who are isolated from community
Wednesday 02/09	The Martyrs of Papua New Guinea, We pray for those who have died for their faith in war
Thursday 03/09	St Gregory the Great We pray for teachers who inspire God's love in the world
Friday 04/09	St Birinus of Dorchester We pray for evangelists and church planters
Saturday 05/09	We pray for Holy Trinity food bank, all of our clients, donors, and volunteers

Intercessions

We pray for those in need, who are sick, in body, mind, or spirit, and those who have died or anniversaries of death fall during this time.

Please submit names to be added to the list to Mthr Emma, consent must be given by the individual or their next of kin, first names only will be used for those who are sick.

We pray for the sick and those in particular need: Elder Israel, Dorothy, Mthr Emma.

Services Sunday 30th August

9.30 Morning Prayer

Readings

Psalm 107.1–32

Ecclesiasticus 11.7–28

Revelation 3.14–end

Hymn O Lord hear my prayer

10.30 Parish Eucharist

Readings

Jeremiah 15.15–21

Psalm 26.1–8

Romans 12.9–end

Matthew 16.21–end

Hymns at Parish Eucharist/Mass

Great is thy faithfulness 249

For all the saints 177

Mass Setting: Thorne

At the name of Jesus: 54

O Lord, my God 511

Liturgical colours: Green

Services Sunday 6th September Creation in Christ

9.30 Morning Prayer

Readings

Psalm: Psalm 148

Sirach 18.1–14

2 Peter 3.8–13

Hymn Jesus remember me

10.30 Parish Eucharist

Readings

Isaiah 55.12–end

Psalm 96

Colossians 1.15–20

Matthew 8.23–27

Hymns at Parish Eucharist/Mass

Colours of Day 108

Will You Come and Follow Me 752

Mass Setting: Thorne

I the Lord of Sea and Sky 332

You Shall Go Out with Joy 766

Liturgical colours: White

All orders of service are available at: www.holytrinitytottenham.org/oos

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