

The Messenger

31st August 2025 *Eleventh Sunday after Trinity*

Services today:

8.00am Said Eucharist 10.00am Sung Eucharist

Today's hymns:

373 How shall I sing that majesty

186 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord

400 Light of the minds that know him

361 Forth in the peace of Christ we go



Medieval Theology Deep Dives -

2025/6 Term Rev'd Canon Dr Giles Fraser

This course takes place at St Anne's Church, mostly on the last Tuesday of every month, after the 7pm Eucharist. It is the fourth year of this series, on the history of Christianity, though newcomers are most welcome. The lecture is usually about 40 mins with questions afterwards, then we go to over to the Coach & Horses for refreshment.

23rd September: Boethius (480-524) - Stoicism and Christianity

21st October (NB date): Anselm (1033-1109) - Why a God-Man?

25th November: **Peter and Heloise Abelard** (1079-1142, 1100-1164) - On Love and Salvation

NB No December Deep Dive

27th January: Bernard of Clairvaux (1090-1153) - Preaching the Crusades

24th February: Hildegard of Bingen (1098-1179) - Girl Power in the Middle Ages

31st March: **Maimonides and Nachmanides** (1138-1204, 1194-1270) - Jewish takes on Medieval Christianity

28th April: Thomas Aquinas 1 (1225-1274) 1 - A Philosophy of Being

26th May: Thomas Aquinas 2 - Proofs of the Existence of God

30th June **Dante** (1265-1321) - Sin, Death and Hell

28th July Meister Eckhart (1260-1328) - Mysticism and Emptiness.

25th August Duns Scotus and William of Ockham (1266-1308) - On Reason



27th September 2025



Join us from 10-5 for a time of reflection and restoration in Kew Gardens and at St Anne's Church with Rev Melanie Harrington, Msgr John Weatherill and Fr Giles Fraser.

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Diary for the Week

Sunday 21st August	8.00am	Said Eucharist
Sunday 31 st August Eleventh Sunday after Trinity		
	10.00am	Sung Eucharist
	2.30pm- 5.00pm	Summer Teas – Parish Hall
	3.30pm	Final Concert of this Summer's Series, in the church - <i>The Dixie Ticklers</i>
Monday 1 st September	8.30am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
Tuesday 2 nd September	8.30am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
	7.00pm	Eucharist
Wednesday 3 rd September	8.30am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
	11.00am	Bible Study – in the Parish Hall
Thursday 4 th September	8.30am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
Friday 5 th September	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	
	8.30am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
Saturday 6 th September		
Sunday 7 th September Twelfth Sunday after Trinity	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Sung Eucharist with Baptism
	2.30pm- 5.00pm	Summer Teas – Parish Hall
	6.30pm	Choral Evensong Leighton responses, Howells Coll Reg, Walton Jubilate, Leighton Paean organ vol Preacher: Revd George Meyrick, Vicar of St Martin's, West Acton
	Readings	: Jeremiah 18.1-11 Philemon 1-21 Luke 14.25-33

Collect

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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.

Readings

Jeremiah 2.4-13

4 Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. ⁵Thus says the Lord:

What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me,

and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves?

⁶ They did not say, 'Where is the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt,

who led us in the wilderness,

in a land of deserts and pits,

in a land of drought and deep darkness,

in a land that no one passes through,

where no one lives?'

⁷ I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things.

But when you entered you defiled my land,

and made my heritage an abomination.

⁸ The priests did not say, 'Where is the Lord?' Those who handle the law did not know me;

the rulers transgressed against me;

the prophets prophesied by Baal,

and went after things that do not profit.

⁹ Therefore once more I accuse you, says the Lord, and I accuse your children's children.

- ¹⁰ Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing.
- Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods?

But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit.

¹² Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate,

says the Lord,

13 for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 81.1, 10-end

- I Sing merrily to God our strength, shout for joy to the God of Jacob.
- 10 'I am the Lord your God, who brought you up from the land of Egypt; • open your mouth wide and I shall fill it.'
- II But my people would not hear my voice and Israel would not obey me.
- 12 So I sent them away in the stubbornness of their hearts, and let them walk after their own counsels.
- 13 O that my people would listen to me, that Israel would walk in my ways!
- 14 Then I should soon put down their enemies and turn my hand against their adversaries.
- 15 Those who hate the Lord would be humbled before him, and their punishment would last for ever.
- 16 But Israel would I feed with the finest wheat and with honey from the rock would I satisfy them.

13Let mutual love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. ⁴Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. ⁵Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' ⁶So we can say with confidence,

'The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?'

7 Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. ¹⁵Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 14.1, 7-14

14On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

7 When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. ⁸ When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹ and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, "Give this person your place", and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰ But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, "Friend, move up higher"; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹ For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.

12 He said also to the one who had invited him, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich

neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion

Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Sick and Departed

Please remember in your prayers: The sick, including Margaret Vince, Michael, David, Juliette and Daphne.

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time: Diana, Princess of Wales, Lorne Charles Gifford, Cinderella Child, Denis Stenhouse and Charles Wollen.

The flowers are in memory of Robert John Dyne.

Notices

Sunday Teas – a big thank you to last Sunday's team who managed without a full team, but with good will! The 'Dixie Ticklers' are winding up the music series today, teas will be busy. This is an opportunity for those of you who have not volunteered this season to join the team, they need some extra help! Check the rota board at the back of the church. We have a full team for the final two Sundays. Any queries or suggestions contact Barbara: abc.cook@btinternet.com.

Kew Theology & Gardening autumn events. Saturday 27th September: Retreat Day for Churches Together in Kew (CTK). Open to all parishioners of the Kew churches. Wednesday 22nd October: Retreat Day for Southwark Diocese. Open to all parishioners across the Southwark Diocese. Tuesday 28th October: Eternity in a grain of sand? - the attention economy and climate breakdown. Lecture in Kew Gardens by Revd Lucy Winkett. For further details and to purchase tickets or sign up for an event go to: https://kewtheologyandgardening.org.uk/events-schedule.

The Friends of St Anne's Church. A Candlelit Recital on Wednesday Ist October 7:30pm at 71 Kew Green. Philharmonia Chamber Players - Mozart Flute Quartets Nos. 1, 2, 3 and Bach Goldberg Variations (String Trio Version). Tickets are available from our website www.friendsofstanneskew.org.uk.

Flowers – would you like to sponsor the flowers? For available dates, please contact Judy Perkins at judyperkins@gmail.com.

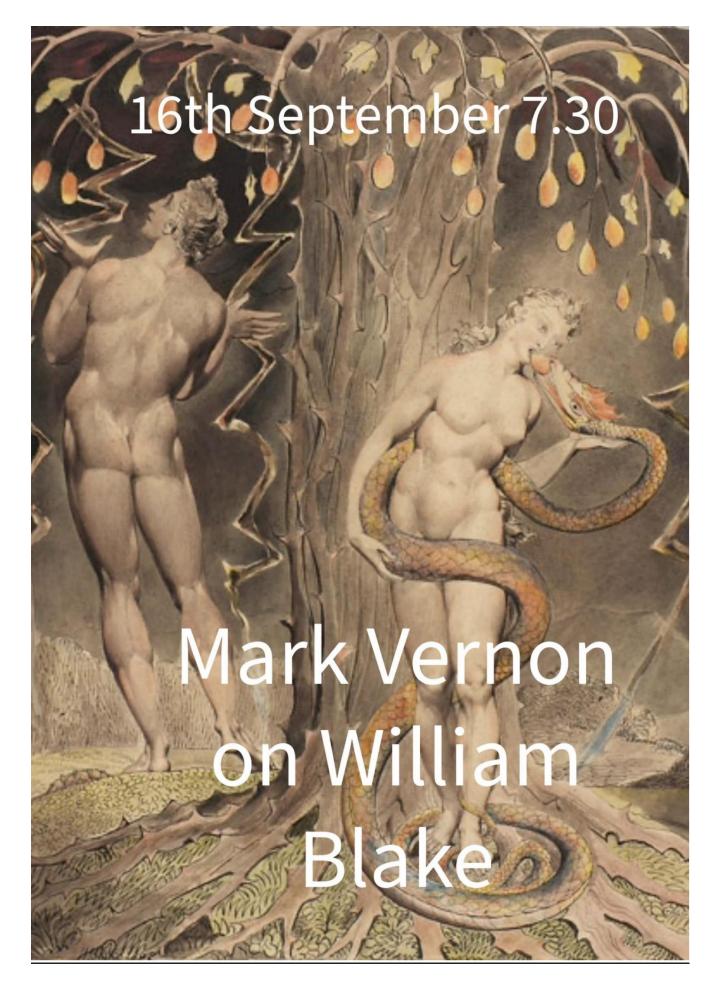
Pastoral Support: If anyone needs pastoral support or knows of anyone that might need this support, please contact the Parish Office or one of the Churchwardens.

Morning Prayer - online. A group from our congregation meets regularly each weekday at 8.30am to say the Daily Office together. If you would like to join us, please contact: catelyon@talk21.com.

Hall hire is available. Please contact the Parish Office on 020 8332 7156.

To join the **Parish WhatsApp** group text Fr Giles on 07811 444011.

For **Safeguarding** concerns, please contact Kristen Anderson on 07791 960000, email: safeguarding@saintanne-kew.org.uk, or contact the Churchwardens. **Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.**



A talk at St Anne's Church - Awake! William Blake and the Power of the Imagination is Mark Vernon's latest book, released in the UK in June. Mark is a British psychotherapist and writer. "The best overall study of Blake I have encountered in a very long time" – Rowan Williams. £10 on the door. All proceeds to the St Anne's Music Fund.



A Candlelit Recital Wednesday 1st October 2025

at

71 Kew Green Richmond TW9 3AH

7.30pm wine, 8.00pm recital

Philharmonia Chamber Players

Samuel Coles – Flute Rebecca Chan – Violin Scott Dickinson – Viola Richard Birchall – Cello

Mozart: Flute Quartets 1, 2 and 3
Bach: Goldberg Variations (String Trio Version)

For details of the programme and to buy tickets go to www.friendsofstanneskew.org.uk

Tickets £50 (non-members) or £45 (members)

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Many thanks!

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