

Little St. Mary's, Cambridge
NEWSLETTER

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SERVICES & EVENTS IN AUGUST

- Sun 5th **9th SUNDAY after TRINITY**
Mon 6th **TRANSFIGURATION of OUR LORD**
Low Mass 7.45am Sung Mass 7.00pm
Thur 9th Finance and Standing Committee 7.30pm
Sun 12th **10th SUNDAY after TRINITY**
High Mass 10.30 am
Wed 15th **ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: Patronal Festival**
Low Mass 10.00am
High Mass 7.00pm Preacher: Fr Robert Mackley, Assistant Curate,
Liverpool Parish Church, followed by buffet supper
Thur 16th Requiem 7.45am Prayer for Healing at 6.30pm Mass
Sun 19th **11th SUNDAY after TRINITY**
High Mass 10.30am
Mon 20th Meditation 1.00pm
Wed 22nd Prayer for healing at 10.00am Mass
Fri 24th **ST BARTHOLOMEW, Apostle**
Low Mass 12.30pm Sung Mass 7.00pm
Sun 26th **12th SUNDAY after TRINITY**
Mon 27th Bank Holiday: St Monica. Low Mass 10.00am

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VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

At the centre of this month in more ways than one is our **Patronal Festival**. On Wednesday August 15th, the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we shall be welcoming an old friend, Fr **Robert Mackley**, as our preacher; he is now the Assistant Priest at Liverpool Parish Church. After the High Mass at 7pm, we shall be having a **Buffet Supper**, and the usual list will appear to help us to achieve a balanced menu! A Patronal Festival should be a great day in the life of a parish, and unless we are away on holiday, we should delight in being together to rejoice in the example and the prayers of Mary, so close to Jesus in His earthly life and in the glory and fulfilment of heaven. Early in August (Monday 6th) we celebrate another great festival, that of Our Lord's **Transfiguration**; this is when we celebrate the light of God's glory shining in the human life of Jesus, and recall that, in St Luke's Gospel, Jesus speaks in that mysterious and glorious moment of how He is to accomplish his great work of deliverance ('Exodus') in Jerusalem; the path to the glorious fulfilment of His calling was to be the path of sacrifice, and as for Our Lord, so for us.

Having mentioned these two special festivals, I would like to remind you of the particular contribution which we make to liturgical life here in Cambridge throughout the year, through marking Saints' Days and other festivals with a Sung Mass. Our servers, organists and Parish Choir give generously of their time to make this possible (and indeed so did the Junior Choir on St Peter's Day, as they may do more in the future when festivals fall on Friday evenings), and it would be encouraging to find more of our Sunday congregation working attendance at weekday festivals into the rhythm of their devotional life.

The pattern of Sunday and weekday worship, Mass and Offices, will continue as usual during August, and I am grateful to College and other local clergy for helping to keep the Daily Mass going. If you take note of the daily 'intentions' on the centre page of the Newsletter, you may often find a topic of particular significance for you and come to Mass that day...or perhaps do so on your birthday, or on the anniversary of your Confirmation. As for Morning and

Evening Prayer, I think it would be true to say that all our Lay Pastoral Assistants and the Ordinands who have come here on placement in recent years have commented on the value of corporate prayer at the beginning of the day and in the evening. It's certainly something which has sustained me over the years of my ministry, and it's always a joy when a visitor or a 'Sunday regular' joins us on those weekdays! Here are a few points to note about our programme in **August**:

NO Friday **Compline** this month. Next Compline September 7th.

Saturday August 4th: Guild of All Souls visit to Kettlebaston for Vespers and Benediction at 3pm

Saturday 11th: **Churchyard Garden Working Party** from 10am

Thursday 16th (6.20pm), Wednesday 22nd (9.45am):
Prayer Group for the Sick and Carers before Low Mass
(anointing Wed. 22nd)

Monday 20th 1-1.30pm in the Crypt: **Meditation**

Saturday 25th: 2.30pm: **marriage** of Ricardo and Karen
(who were confirmed at LSM in May)

Wednesday 29th: **Richard Burley** returns to complete his placement (until September 12th)

...and a date to put in your diary for **September**...

Fusae Takahashi will be giving a piano recital on Sunday 23rd: the programme will include works by Mozart, Schumann and Beethoven.

There's not much more to say as yet about the Parish Room project which I mentioned in last month's Newsletter, except that the group of Diocesan Advisory Committee members who came for an informal discussion with the architect and some PCC representatives made generally encouraging noises! The architect is at present checking measurements and making some adjustments to his proposals, particularly in relation to office provision. It is important that this is done before we move on to making contact with English Heritage

and the many other bodies who have to be consulted. Because of the early deadline for the Newsletter in July, I am writing this before the PCC, which is due to meet on July 17th; the Parish Room proposals may well be mentioned then, and there will certainly be discussion of our Mission Statement and objectives for the next 12 months. In the wider world of the Church of England and the Anglican Communion, the recent General Synod which met at York 'affirmed its willingness to engage positively with the unanimous recommendation of the Primates in February 2007 for a process designed to produce a **covenant** for the Anglican Communion'. The process would only be concluded when any definitive text has been duly considered through the synodical processes of the provinces of the Anglican Communion. So it's likely to be a lengthy process! But what lies behind the idea of a Covenant? It is an attempt, in a time of clearly increasing diversity and suspicion between provinces, to provide a common basis on which mutual trust can be rebuilt. The question is whether a written covenant will work more effectively than unwritten 'bonds of affection'. First we have to wait and see how it will be framed.

The 'holiday season' these days is quite lengthy, especially for members of the congregation not tied to school holiday dates. I was aware that many people were going to be away for Gift Day in mid-July, and September too can be a quiet month at LSM. But I'm sure we shall have many visitors over the coming weeks, and I hope that we shall be able to give them a good welcome! When you visit other churches on your holiday travels, do collect ideas for good literature to put at the back of the church; improvement to that kind of material is likely to be one of our 'mission objectives' for the year!

with prayers and good wishes: Fr Andrew

PEOPLE FOR OUR PRAYERS

It seems clear that for the time being **Irene Morris** will not after all be returning to her native Northern Ireland. She now has good arrangements for care at home in her flat, both overnight and during the day, and she has now been added to our Home Communicant round. Another of our Home Communicants, **Joan Wardill**, is now happily settled at a residential home in Waterbeach.



Calendar and Intentions

for

AUGUST

*The list of Thanksgivings and Intercessions offers a focus
for our daily prayer, both at the Offices and Mass,
and in our personal times of prayer.*

*The Vicar would be glad of suggestions for additions
to the list of daily intentions.*

Calendar for August

Wed. 1st	St Peter's Chains
Thurs. 2nd	
Fri. 3rd	NO Compline this month
Sat. 4th	St John Vianney, Priest
SUN. 5th	9th after TRINITY
Mon. 6th	TRANSFIGURATION of OUR LORD: LM 7.45am HM 7pm
Tues. 7th	commem.J.M.Neale, Priest
Wed. 8th	St Dominic
Thurs. 9th	Finance and Standing Committee 7.30pm
Fri. 10th	St Laurence, Deacon & Martyr
Sat. 11th	St Clare of Assisi
SUN. 12th	10th after TRINITY
Mon. 13th	commem.Jeremy Taylor, Bishop
Tues. 14th	St Maximilian Kolbe
Wed. 15th	ASSUMPTION of the BVM: PATRONAL FESTIVAL LM 10am HM 7pm: Buffet Supper
Thurs. 16th	Requiem 7.45am: Prayer for Healing at 6.30pm Mass
Fri. 17th	
Sat. 18th	
SUN. 19th	11th after TRINITY
Mon. 20th	St Bernard, Abbot: Meditation 1pm
Tues. 21st	commem.Richard Crashaw, Priest
Wed. 22nd	Prayer for Healing at 10am Mass
Thurs. 23rd	
Fri. 24th	St BARTHOLOMEW, Ap. LM 12.30pm, SM 7pm
Sat. 25th	
SUN. 26th	12th after TRINITY
Mon. 27th	St Monica LM 10am
Tues. 28th	St Augustine of Hippo, Bp
Wed. 29th	Beheading of St John Baptist
Thurs. 30th	
Fri. 31st	St Aidan, Bishop

Daily Intentions and *Anniversaries* for August

Prisoners of Conscience		1st
Visitors to Cambridge		2nd
Jerusalem and the Middle East	<i>Roma Gill</i>	3rd
Parish Priests		4th
The Parish	<i>Geoffrey Lampe, Pr.</i>	5th
Thanksgiving for the glory of God revealed in Jesus Christ		6th
Thanksgiving for the 'sacred space' of parish churches	<i>Olive Robinson</i>	7th
Friends of LSM		8th
Our Churchwardens and Treasurer		9th
Deacons	<i>Eric Hindley, Pr., Mary Hindley, Norman Clift, Pr.</i>	10th
Papua New Guinea	<i>Arthur Benjamin Dex, Pr., Geoffry Smith.</i>	11th
The Parish	<i>Peter Chamier, Pr.</i>	12th
Christians in Northern Ireland and the Republic		13th
Council for Christians & Jews	<i>David Paton, Adrian Martinez</i>	14th
Thanksgiving for the Blessed Virgin Mary		15th
The Departed/ Addenbrooke's Hospital	<i>Ella Cassell</i>	16th
CAMFED	<i>Richard Wardill</i>	17th
Our Servers		18th
The Parish	<i>Eric Lainsworth, Blanche Poulter, Maurice Fretten, Edwin Wincleatt</i>	19th
Spiritual Guides		20th
Poets and Artists		21st
The sick and those who care for them	<i>John Robinson</i>	22nd
Christian Unity		23rd
Doctors and Nurses	<i>Margaret Hutchinson, Elizabeth Wyngard</i>	24th
Ricardo and Karen being married today		25th
The Parish		26th
Mothers' Union	<i>Thomas Haynes, Bob Bishop</i>	27th
Theologians	<i>Sybil Fleet, Patricia Fleet, Ione Spalding</i>	28th
Courage and integrity in public life		29th
Richard Burley (<i>on placement</i>)	<i>Helen Culverwell, Tom Chalmers</i>	30th
The Church in the North East		31st

***The Assumption
of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
(our Patronal Festival: August 15th)***

***O God most high,
whose handmaid bore
the Word made flesh:
we give thee thanks
that in the sacrament of our redemption
thou dost visit us with thy Holy Spirit
and dost overshadow us with thy power;
strengthen us to walk with Mary
in the joyful path of obedience,
that we may bring forth
the fruits of holiness;
through Jesus Christ Our Lord:
AMEN***

..and FAREWELL TO GEMMA

We wish her well for her well deserved holiday in Spain, and assure her of our prayers and good wishes for her training at Westcott House.

GIFT DAY 2007

These are the provisional results of income from this year's Gift Day held on Saturday, 14th July.

Donations	3656.35
Nonsense & Nostalgia	265.00
Friends Golden Collection	0.00
Refreshments	303.10
Plant Stall	191.57
Teddy Bear Raffle	34.30
Books	267.80
Cakes	202.16
Expenses	0.00
Total for the day	4920.28
Tax to be recovered	757.03
Grand Total to date	5677.31

Thank you to all who contributed in any way

ADVANCE NOTICE



After discussion at the PCC meeting it was decided that our Autumn pilgrimage this year will be a visit to Lincoln, taking place on Saturday 6th October. Book this date in your diary now and watch this space for further details.

A view of Lincoln Cathedral



THE LSM WEBSITE

Our new website, <http://www.lsm.org.uk> was launched on Sunday 1st July, and our grateful thanks go to Diana Galletly, our Webmaster, for constructing this comprehensive site.

	<p><i>Little St Mary's, Cambridge</i> <i>also known as St Mary the Less</i></p> <p><i>"Live, Jesus, live, and let it be</i> <i>My life to die for love of Thee."</i></p> <p>Personal motto of Richard Crashaw, priest at Little St Mary's 1638-1643</p>	
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The issue of displaying pictures of recognisable individuals on a website is a sensitive one, and has been exercising the PCC. On the one hand we can give no representative picture of the life of LSM if the pictures on the site include no images of people; on the other various individuals do not desire their image to be available to the world in this way.

The following protocols have been adopted:

Photographs of those under the age of 16 will be shown only with the permission of their parents and on a part of the website protected by a password.

When a photograph is taken of an individual or group at an event, the photographer will be expected to ask the adults involved for permission to use the photo on the open website.

Where photographs are taken of services/events showing large numbers of people, among whom may be some who do not wish photographs of themselves to appear on the website, the Webmaster must respect the wishes of those people and take appropriate action to doctor the group photographs.

Anyone who does not wish to appear in any photograph on the website is asked to make this known to the Webmaster and to anyone taking photographs at LSM events.

SERVICES AT LITTLE ST MARY'S

Sundays

7.30am *Morning Prayer* 8.00am *Holy Communion*
10.30am *High Mass* 6.00pm *Solemn Evensong & Benediction*

Weekday Services

Monday

7.15am *Morning Prayer* 7.45am *Low Mass* 6.00pm *Evening Prayer*

Tuesday

7.15am *Morning Prayer* 7.45am *Low Mass* 6.00pm *Evening Prayer*

Wednesday

9.00am *Morning Prayer* 10.00am *Low Mass* 6.00pm *Evening Prayer*

Thursday

7.15am *Morning Prayer* 7.45am & 6.30pm *Low Mass* 6.00pm *Evening Prayer*

Friday

7.15am *Morning Prayer* 7.45am & 12.30pm *Low Mass* 6.00pm *Evening Prayer*

Saturday

8.00am *Low Mass* 6.00pm *Evening Prayer*

Festivals

7.00pm *Sung Mass*
Low Mass as announced

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Friday at Noon Saturday 6.30pm
or at other times by appointment

Coffee is served in the Parish Room after the 10.30am High Mass on Sundays and after the Low Mass on Wednesdays.

There is a Charity Lunch, £2, after the Low Mass on Fridays, supporting both home and overseas charities.

LSM Social group/ mailing list

To join: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/LSMsocial/>

Mailing list only: blank email to:

LSMsocial-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Deadline for September Newsletter : **EARLY! Sunday 12th**