



The Chapels Royal of St Peter ad Vincula and St John the Evangelist
HM Tower of London

Dear Friends,

I am writing to say that I have made the decision to go ahead with our **Patronal Festival**. It will take place on Wednesday July 21st at 6.30pm.

This year it will take the form of Choral Evensong. This is asking a lot of Colm and the four members of the choir who will be responsible for the music and singing. As yet, we don't know if congregational singing will be allowed. Although the service will have a very reduced feel to it, I do feel it's important to mark the occasion, as part of our way back to normality. There will be a glass of wine afterwards. I hope you will put the date in your diary.

With my best wishes, thoughts and prayers for you all, Roger.

Sunday Service Details

1100am Holy Communion St Peter ad Vincula

Collect for the Fourth Sunday after Trinity

O God, the protector of all that trust in thee,
Without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:
Increase and multiply upon us thy mercy; that, thou
being our ruler and guide, we may pass through things
temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal: Grant
this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake our Lord. **Amen.**

Readings

Epistle – Romans 8: 18-23.

Gospel – Luke 6: 36-42.

Email Debbie in advance to be added to the guest list: toweroflondonchapeladministrator@hrp.org.uk

Thought for the Day

From Canon Roger Hall

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kjM6i63w4Fs>

Music for the week, from the Master of Music

Two English Idylls - George Butterworth (1885 - 1916)

Academy of St Martin in the Fields / Sir Neville Marriner

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NZsUoc2vyMU>

Poem

I wonder how many of you know this poem by George Herbert, **The Quidditie**? (The word can also be spelled Quiddity and, as such, has been used both by Shakespeare in *Henry IV Part 1* and by WS Gilbert in *Patience*.) I can assure you it has nothing to do with Harry Potter! So, what does Quidditie mean? It can mean the core or essence of something, that which answers the question *Quid est?* (What is it?). It can also mean a quibble, usually over something pedantic. In the case of this poem, both meanings are there. Here we read about people quibbling over social ladders but also discussing the pursuit of something more profound. I hope you enjoy it.

The Quidditie

My God, a verse is not a crown,
No point of honour, or gay suit,
No hawk, or banquet, or renown,
Nor a good sword, nor yet a lute.

It cannot vault, or dance, or play;
It never was in *France* or *Spain*;
Nor can it entertain the day
With my great stable or demain:

It is no office, art, or news,
Nor the Exchange, or busie Hall:
But it is that which while I use
I am with thee, and *Most take all*.

George Herbert 1593 – 1633

From Tracy's Garden



Historic Royal Palaces in bloom

Pictures taken by visitors to the Palaces last week. Here are a few of our favourite sunny snaps, from moira.willow, jencarse1987, james_maximilian, and neilchauhan01 on Instagram.

As an apology for the recent lack of jigsaw puzzles, all four of the pictures below are jigsaws for you to complete! Enjoy.



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Wordsearch

Here is a Wordsearch with 16 words relating to wood. Print it off and see if you can find them all. Words may run in any direction, including diagonals. You may find other real words in the grid, but you do not get any credit for those! Solution next week.

O	S	Q	U	A	N	G	L	Y	F	E	R	T	C	H
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Y	R	E	K	A	O	B	R	I	N	D	L	O	N	K

ACACIA
 BALSAM
 BIRCH
 CEDAR
 CHERRY
 CYPRESS
 DEAL
 EBONY
 KAURI
 OAK
 OLIVE
 PINE
 SANDALWOOD
 SPRUCE
 WALNUT
 WILLOW

Solution to last week's Wordsearch

Q	U	E	R	B	L	Y	F	U	B	V	E	N	Z	O
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R	O	T	A	L	E	G	U	I	D	A	V	I	N	T
F	P	S	E	R	P	I	B	F	G	G	Y	L	O	Q
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A Prayer

Please continue to remember those on our sick list, some of whom are very poorly:

Trevor, Isabelle, Rory, Lucy, Judy, Neil, Heather, Pat, Lorraine, Sue, Mark, Madeleine and Derek.

RIP

Tony Pratt and Jim MacDonald

Our Coronavirus Prayer

God of love,
We ask for your blessing on
those who are ill,
those who are vulnerable
those who are worried about
themselves and those they love,
and on those who mourn.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

With best wishes and prayers, Roger



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