

# ST HILDA'S ASHFORD



# TRINITY SUNDAY

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# THE GATHERING

## Introit Hymn

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,  
Only thou art holy, there is none beside thee  
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name,  
in earth, and sky, and sea;  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

*[Reginald Heber]*

## The Greeting

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**All Amen**

Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

**All and also with you.**

*Words of welcome are said.*

*Junior Church are in the Hall for Messy Church*

## **Prayers of Penitence**

God the Father forgives us in Christ  
and heals us by the Holy Spirit.

Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness,  
all slander and malice,  
and confess our sins to God our redeemer..

**All Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us, forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life  
to the glory of your name.  
Amen.**

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen**

## **Gloria in Excelsis**

**Glory to God in the highest,  
All and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.**

## **The Collect** - *The Collect for the Week is said after a moment of silence*

**Holy God,  
faithful and unchanging:  
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,  
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,  
that we may truly worship you,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.**

**All Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading – Isaiah 40 vv 12 - 17, 27 - 31

Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand  
and marked off the heavens with a span,  
enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure,  
and weighed the mountains in scales  
and the hills in a balance?

Who has directed the spirit of the Lord,  
or as his counsellor has instructed him?

Whom did he consult for his enlightenment,  
and who taught him the path of justice?

Who taught him knowledge,  
and showed him the way of understanding?

Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket,  
and are accounted as dust on the scales;  
see, he takes up the isles like fine dust.

Lebanon would not provide fuel enough,  
nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering.

All the nations are as nothing before him;  
they are accounted by him as less than nothing and  
emptiness.

Why do you say, O Jacob,  
and speak, O Israel,

‘My way is hidden from the Lord,  
and my right is disregarded by my God’?

Have you not known? Have you not heard?

The Lord is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.

He gives power to the faint,  
and strengthens the powerless.

Even youths will faint and be weary,  
and the young will fall exhausted;  
but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary,  
they shall walk and not faint.

*At the end the reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

### **New Testament Reading** – 2 Corinthians 13 vv 11 - 13

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

*At the end the reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Reading – Matthew 28 vv 16 - 20**

Alleluia, Alleluia.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, who was, and who is, and who is to come, the Almighty.

**All Alleluia.**

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

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **The Sermon**

## **The Creed – *We stand***

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**



**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen**

## **Prayers of Intercession**

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,  
let us pray to the Father

*The prayers end with the following:*

Merciful Father,  
**All accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

## **THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT**

### **The Peace – All stand**

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.  
Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace.  
Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.  
The peace of the triune God be always with you.

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**All and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace.*

## Offertory Hymn

*During this hymn a collection will be taken*

**My God, how wonderful thou art,  
Thy majesty how bright,  
How beautiful thy mercy seat,  
In depths of burning light!**

**How dread are thine eternal years,  
O everlasting Lord,  
By prostrate spirits day and night  
Incessantly adored!**

**How wonderful, how beautiful,  
The sight of thee must be,  
Thine endless wisdom, boundless power,  
And awful purity!**

**O, how I fear thee, living God,  
With deepest, tenderest fears,  
And worship thee with trembling hope,  
And penitential tears!**

**Yet I may love thee too, O Lord,  
Almighty as thou art,  
For thou hast stooped to ask of me  
The love of my poor heart.**

**No earthly father loves like thee,  
No mother, e'er so mild,  
Bears and forbears as thou hast done  
With me, thy sinful child.**

**Father of Jesus, love's reward,  
What rapture it will be,  
Prostrate before thy throne to lie,  
And gaze and gaze on thee!**

*[F. W. Faber]*

*The table is prepared, and bread and wine are placed upon it.*

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,  
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;  
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

**All All things come from you,  
and of your own do we give you.**

## **Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you

**All and also with you**

Lift up your hearts.

**All We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For with your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit  
you are one God, one Lord.

All that you reveal of your glory,  
the same we believe of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit, without any difference or inequality.

We, your holy Church, acclaim you,  
Father of majesty unbounded,  
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,  
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

Three Persons we adore,  
one in being and equal in majesty.

And so with angels and archangels,  
with cherubim and seraphim,  
we sing for ever of your glory:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
All God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
*Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.*

In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
*Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.*

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:  
**All Christ has died:  
Christ is risen:  
Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,

and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company of Hilda and all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.

*All* **Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Awaiting his coming in glory,  
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

*All* **Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

## **Breaking of the Bread**

*The president breaks the consecrated bread.*

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

**All** **Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

## **Agnus Dei**

**Lamb of God,  
All** **you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
grant us peace.**

## **Giving of Communion**

*The president says the invitation to communion*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**All** **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*The president and people receive communion.*

## Communion Hymns

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
Fill me with life anew,  
That I may love what thou dost love,  
And do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
Until my heart is pure,  
Until with thee I will one will,  
To do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
Till I am wholly thine,  
Until this earthly part of me  
Glows with the fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
So shall I never die,  
But live with thee the perfect life  
Of thine eternity.

*[Edwin Hatch]*

I bind unto myself today  
The strong name of the Trinity,  
By invocation of the same,  
The Three in One, and One in Three.

I bind this day to me forever,  
By power of faith, Christ's incarnation;  
His baptism in the Jordan river;  
His death on cross for my salvation;  
His bursting from the spiced tomb;  
His riding up the heavenly way;  
His coming at the day of doom;  
I bind unto myself today.

I bind unto myself the power  
Of the great love of Cherubim;  
The sweet "Well done" in judgment hour;  
The service of the Seraphim,  
Confessors' faith, Apostles' word,  
The Patriarchs' prayers, the Prophets' scrolls,  
All good deeds done unto the Lord,  
And purity of virgin souls.

I bind unto myself today  
The virtues of the star-lit heaven,  
The glorious sun's life-giving ray,  
The whiteness of the moon at even,  
The flashing of the lightning free,  
The whirling wind's tempestuous shocks,  
The stable earth, the deep salt sea,  
Around the old eternal rocks.

I bind unto myself today  
The power of God to hold and lead,  
His eye to watch, his might to stay,  
His ear to hearken to my need.  
The wisdom of my God to teach,  
His hand to guide, his shield to ward;  
The word of God to give me speech,  
His heavenly host to be my guard.

Christ be with me, Christ within me,  
Christ behind me, Christ before me,  
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,  
Christ to comfort and restore me.

Christ beneath me, Christ above me,  
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,  
Christ in hearts of all that love me,  
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.



**I bind unto myself the name,  
The strong name of the Trinity;  
By invocation of the same,  
The Three in One and One in Three.  
Of whom all nature hath creation;  
Eternal Father, Spirit, Word:  
Praise to the Lord of my salvation,  
Salvation is of Christ the Lord.**

*[St. Patrick tr. Mrs. C. F. Alexander]*

**May the grace of Christ our Saviour,  
And the Father's boundless love,  
With the Holy Spirit's favour,  
Rest upon us from above.**

**Thus may we abide in union  
With each other and the Lord,  
And possess in sweet communion,  
Joys which earth cannot afford.**

**To the God whose wisdom made us,  
To the Son who set us free,  
To the sanctifying Spirit,  
Glory, endless glory, be!**

*[John Newton]*

## Prayers after Communion

*Silence is kept after which the post-Communion prayer is said.*

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith,  
that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever.

**All** Amen.

**All** Almighty God,  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory.  
Amen.

Notices

## THE DISMISSAL

### Blessing

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love,  
defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**All** Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**All** In the name of Christ. Amen.

## **Recessional Hymn**

**Let all the world in every corner sing,  
My God and King!**

**The heavens are not too high,  
His praise may thither fly;  
The earth is not too low,  
His praises there may grow.**

**Let all the world in every corner sing,  
My God and King!**

**Let all the world in every corner sing,  
My God and King!**

**The church with psalms must shout,  
No door can keep them out;  
But, above all, the heart  
Must bear the longest part.**

**Let all the world in every corner sing,  
My God and King!**

*[George Herbert]*

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## SERVICE TIMES

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 11am

with Mothers' Union

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 10.00am

The Sunday service is livestreamed and can be viewed later our Facebook page

**Please remember in your prayers this week:**

### **THE SICK:**

Ann Biliias

Don Dunbar

Ray Nation

Michael Brown

Vicky Hall

Barbara Warne

Lizio Cassar

Melvyn Jansen

Christine

Ros Clifton

Pat Kyle

Elaine

Saffi Cobham

Grace Mannagh

Nic

Joan Davies

Pauline Milton

Solange

*If you would like a name added to the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office.*

### **THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:**

Alan Hatchman

Diane Owen

Delphine Scrivener

Percy Sibley

Fr. Stephen Blood

### **THOSE IN OUR MEMORIAL BOOK THIS WEEK**

Reginald Geoffrey Stevens

Doreen Alice Staples

Susan Anne Whittle

Doris Haswell Alexander

Alan Tunstall

William Kent

Walter Ratcliffe

Robert "Bob" Cooper

William Hebdon Rogers

Leslie Noel Sims

Stephen John Jones

May Bullough

**Please pray for our ALMA twin Parish, Holy Cross Murrupula**

## NOTICES

The Parish Office is available by phone or email. Visitors by appointment only.

*Following the teaching of 'Loving thy Neighbour' - If you feel unwell, we ask that you do not attend so that we can maintain the health and safety of all who attend the services.*

### **Community Lunch - Wednesday at 12 noon**

Join us in church for the Community Lunch at midday

If you are able to come forward and help, even once a month, please do liaise with Bobbie.

### **Bible Study Group – Wednesday at 7.30pm**

We meet in Church on most Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm.

We are looking at Christian Community for the next few weeks.

You are very welcome to come and join us.

### **JUMBLE SALE AND AUCTION - Saturday 10th June at 2pm**

Admission £1

Proceeds to Church Funds

Helpers and Donations of goods welcome at the church from 10am.

*Helpers are also wanted to move tables and stored jumble into the church on Thursday 8th June at 8pm.*

### **St. Hilda's Breakfast - Saturday 17th June at 9:30am**

Do come along and enjoy good food and fellowship.

Speaker to be confirmed. Please book via the Parish Office or Ticket

Tailor (link on the Church web site), so we know how many to cater for.

Suggested donation £5, payable on the day.

Next month's Breakfast will be on Saturday 15th July.

### **Feed My Sheep - Tuesday 27th June at 2.30pm**

Do come and join us .We meet on the 4th Tuesday from 2.30pm – 4pm in Church with tea, coffee and cake, to explore topics on Christian themes. A donation of a £1 is welcomed to cover the cost of the refreshments.

June 27th Jargon Busting

July 25th<sup>th</sup> Popes – part 2

### **Ambling through Acts course –Thursday 6th July at 7.30pm**

Everyone is very welcome to attend. There will be refreshments at the end. We finish by saying Compline (Night Prayer) together round about 9pm. I hope to see you there. Please bring a bible – ideally the NRSV, but any version will do.

### **\*\*\* St Hilda's Newsletter \*\*\***

We have a new Editor! Sara Lee has agreed to take on this role.

The aim is to produce the newsletter monthly, to be available on the last Sunday of the month, with the deadline for contributions as the first Sunday of the month.

The deadline for items for the July issue will therefore be **Sunday 4th June** .i.e. **TODAY** This will be your magazine - so start writing!

Please send your contributions to: [saralee7@btinternet.com](mailto:saralee7@btinternet.com)

### **Parish administrator**

Our parish administrator is Laura Goodman. Her office hours are:

Monday: 3.30-5pm

Wednesday: 3.30-6.30pm

Friday: 3.30-6.30pm

Saturday: 9.45-11.15am

Any appointments in person must be booked.

### **Food Bank Donations**

Please use the wooden chest at the rear of the Church to place any donations for the local food bank, such as tinned and dried goods (well inside their Best Before date, please) and toiletries.

**\*\*\* WANTED: Willing Workers! \*\*\***

Do you appreciate having clean carpets and a clean toilet in church?

They don't stay that way if left alone!

Currently four people vacuum, dust, empty the rubbish and recycling bins and attend to the toilet every week, mostly on Thursday mornings.

They would appreciate more helpers.

If you can spare the occasional hour to help, please speak to Frances Forsbrey

**\*\*\* WANTED: Door Wardens \*\*\***

St Hilda's Church is open during the week for people to call in for solitude, private prayer or to have a look around. Thanks go to Bobbie and Frances for making this happen but we need more volunteers to open the church in the morning (between 8.30 - 9.30 am) and to lock it again in the afternoon/early evening (4.30 - 5.30 pm). The timings are flexible depending on your availability. There is no need to remain in the Church during these hours.

If you are willing and able to join a rota to help with this please speak to Liz Brian, Chris Brown or Paula Gething or contact the Church office on [office@sthilda.org](mailto:office@sthilda.org).

**\*\*\* WANTED: a Fair Trade rep \*\*\***

We are looking for someone to replace Carolyn as our Fair Trade representative, to promote the use of Fair Trade products in church and by the congregation at home. If you are interested please contact one of the Church Wardens.

**Mother Helen Calner**

Please pray for Helen and those who will be made priest with her by Emma, Bishop of Kensington at St. Paul's Church, Hammersmith at 2pm on 17th June.

Helen will offer her first Mass on Sunday 2nd July at 10.30am at St. Philip's Church, Earls Court: all welcome!

# Contact Information

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*Vacant*

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