

Blessed be God whose generosity is boundless

Who gives us the gift of one another

We thank you for the gift of this community & the joy of working together for the good of all

Bless the work of this church and these charities, that, working among us,

they may bring wholeness and healing and care for the people of this place

Blessed be God, Father, Son & Holy Spirit,

Blessed be God forever.

Craft at Christmas is Coming (shortly)

Planning for the Christmas Fair is already underway **save the date: Nov 26th**

If you would like to be part of the organising committee (not onerous and very small!)

speak to Sara (office@holyspirit-clapham.org.uk). We need as much help as we can to get this entirely church run event to be a success, please contact Judith if you can offer time on the day or Friday before. (javickery13@hotmail.com).

We shall be asking for donations of home baked goods, Jam jars of sweets for kids tombola, bottles and small gifts for adult tombola nearer the time.

Ace of Clubs Harvest Wish List

Tinned food: meat, fish, tomatoes, soup, vegetables, fruit, rice pudding, custard.

Store cupboard Basics: Longlife milk, coffee, sugar, flour, gravy granules, stock cubes, salt, pepper, cooking sauces, coconut milk

Rice (basmati or easy cook)

Olive oil, vegetable oil, soy sauce, dried herbs, spices, curry powder

Vouchers: to spend in Sainsbury's to enable us to purchase meat and dairy products

Household and toiletries

Clothes and sleeping: sleeping bags, blankets, duvets. Socks, pants for men & women (medium size), hats & caps, gloves, men's belts, women's leggings, longjohns.



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Holy Spirit



Sunday 16th October 21st After Trinity

WELCOME

Welcome to Holy Spirit. We have Sunday School for children from Reception age upwards during term time & a crèche all year round. For LARGE print hymn & service books ask the sidespeople. There is a loop system; please adjust the setting of your personal hearing aid.

JOIN IN

Please ALL COME to the Lord's table: whether or not you are used to receiving communion. We all gather as members of God's family to receive bread & wine or a blessing.

Please stay for a drink & a chat after the service

SUPPORT

Make your donation count: Thank you for supporting Holy Spirit. You can make your donation even more valuable by allowing us to reclaim the tax on your gift. To do so please fill in your details on the front of the Yellow Envelopes.

THANK YOU!

READINGS

Genesis: 32:22-31 and Luke 18:1-8

Both of our readings today speak of struggle and persistence in our faith. In Genesis Jacob struggles with his fear which holds him back from following where God is leading him. In the Gospel the widow perseveres in her struggle to obtain justice from the unjust judge.

In the story of Jacob and the angel his struggle is not without pain: he is wounded by his struggle but he is also blessed and more importantly is not paralysed but able to move forward into his future knowing that he has the presence of God with him.

It is interesting that in order to overcome his struggles and doubts he divests himself of all that he has accumulated and accomplished in his life and moves forward with nothing but his travelling staff—just as he was when he first came into god's presence.

Hymns:

238

664

641

827

CALENDAR

Today

9.00am Said Eucharist

10.30am Parish Eucharist

4.30pm Confirmation Service

Mon 17th October

9.00am Morning Prayer

Tues 18th October

9.00am Morning Prayer

9.30am—10.45am Holy Molies

10.30am-12.00pm Silver Socials

7.45pm PCC meeting

Weds 19th October

9.00am Morning Prayer

12.00pm Charleston House sing along

8.00pm Confirmation Class

Thurs 20th October

12.30pm Lunchtime Eucharist

followed by simple lunch

6.30pm Deanery Synod at CHS

Sun 23rd October

9.00am Said Eucharist

10.30am Parish Eucharist

5.30pm Taize practice

6.30pm Taize service



Today we welcome representatives of all charities we support at the Abbeville Fete . Ace of Clubs, Home Start, Kids City, Lambeth Summer Camps and ourselves.

Holy Molies Tuesdays 9.30-10.45am

Everyone welcome to join us for songs and a story, craft and a play! There'll also be coffee and cake, fruit and fellowship. If you have a heart to serve our youngest neighbours and those who care for them, please speak to Helen or Mtr Ruth.

Harvest Festival

Last week we were supporting

Ace of Clubs

our local homeless day centre

Please see their wish list on back

Donations still accepted this week

Please pray for:

Albert Bell, Heidi Bell, Jane Bell, Terry Tait, Tim Grisdale, Nick Lynch, Cassie Williams, Charles Donoghue, Anthony Walker, Sara Carter, Harry Rich, Lynford Esterine, Jean Boxill, Jean Day and Molly Price Owen. RIP Avis Sowels, we pray for her whole family, especially her daughter Anna .

Notices

<http://www.rob.es.org.uk/>. Churches Together in Clapham is about to embark on it's 6th season of Volunteering for the Robes winter night shelter project in Clapham. We shall be hosting at 3 venues through the winter including Saturdays at Holy Spirit from 4 February to 25 March. A CTiC team is currently recruiting volunteers for all the venues and if you are interested in please email claphamrob.es@gmail.com or speak to Sarah Miles.

Sleepout for Robes, spend a sponsored night out under the stars to raise much needed funds for the project. Friday 25th November, 7pm Southwark Cathedral, or sponsor one of our intrepid sleepers, Sarah Miles.

Book Club will be meeting next on 7th November at Eagle House, 2B Narbonne Avenue by kind invitation of Madeline to read *Birds Without Wings* by Louis de Bernieres

Next Sunday evening, 6.30pm, a 30 minute service of prayer, reflection and singing in the rich tradition of the Taizé Community. All are welcome to join in this quiet, gentle and beautiful music. If you play an instrument, please bring it along. We will be practising the chants from 5.30 in the church and all are welcome to join in as soon as they arrive.



All Souls Service to commemorate the faithful departed will be held on Wednesday November 2nd at 6.30pm. We shall hold candlelit prayers and remember our loved ones by name. If you wish family members or friends to be remembered please add their name to the list at back of church



We had a great time making Millionaire's Shortbread on Friday evening. next event is for ALL AGES

Monday 31st October 5.30-7pm in Church

All Hallows E'en

lots of traditional fun and ghostly activities, open to all, invite your friends.

Pumpkin Carving competition, bring your best creation, prizes for originality and creativity. Judging at 6.15pm

