# CHURCH NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2016



Church of St. Peter & St. Paul King's Sutton

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# A Ring and a Centre and a Hope

The ring belonged to Pope Paul VI and 50 years ago in looked like what а spontaneous gesture but was actually well-planned, the asked visitor. his pope Michael Ramsey, Archbishop of Canterbury to take off his episcopal ring; it was replaced by the papal ring. The Archbishop wore that ring till his death and it



remains in the possession of successive archbishops. It was an extraordinary gesture, for officially Rome does not recognize our Holy Orders, but this was a sign of a new age in ecumenical relationships and it was Pope Paul VI who called us a "sister church".

Michael Ramsey was in Rome to inaugurate the Anglican Centre. This is housed in a part of the Palazzo Doria Pamphilj. This is just off the Piazza Navona. The ancient Roman family still lives in the Palazzo and part of it is an art gallery with a wide range of art including Velasquez' portrait of Pope Innocent X who was a member of the family, and there are paintings by Filippo Lippi, Memling Guido Reni and many more. But for Anglicans it is where our Centre is housed. The Centre is the base for the archbishop's representative to the Vatican – once held by Canon Bruce Ruddock of our Cathedral and Bishop John Flack. It is a place where people can study Anglicanism and our relationship to the Catholic Church.

In October this year there is to be a Colloqium which will include pairs of Catholic and Anglican bishops from around the world talking about how they work together, and to take stock of where the various initiatives between our churches have reached. The Church of San Gregorio al Celio will host a special joint service of Evening Prayer at which Archbishop Justin and Pope Francis are expected to be present. This is a very special place for our two churches, for it` was founded in 575 by the man who would become Pope Gregory the Great, and who in 597 sent S Augustine from Rome to England to convert the English, and Augustine duly made his HQ in Canterbury. It is in the south of the city high on the Celian Hill. It remains a Benedictine monastery and set among woods.

Locally our relations with the Catholic Church are good. They use the parish church in King's Sutton for their Sunday Mass at 9am and for the occasional baptism and funeral. And I count Fr. James among my friends. But we must all long and pray for the unity of our two churches. And that is our hope that in Christ we will one day find unity and peace.

If you want to know more about the Anglican Centre the contact in the UK is Mrs Bridget Moss and her email address is: <u>development@anglicancentre.it</u> and her address 6 David's Close, Sidbury, Sidmouth, Devon EX10 0QS 01395 597767.

Fr. Roger

#### From the Registers:

#### Funeral:

June17thEileen HarrisJuly14thJune Violet Daniel

#### **Celebration of Light**

Since the last newsletter, the floodlighting has been sponsored to remember:

June	21 <sup>st</sup>	Alec Lovell
July	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Jacqueline Ward
August	9 <sup>th</sup>	James Barber

If you would like to sponsor the floodlights of the church to remember an anniversary or other significant event in your family, please either contact Stephen Allday (811473) or take a form from the ledge just inside the church.

## Update regarding Father Roger

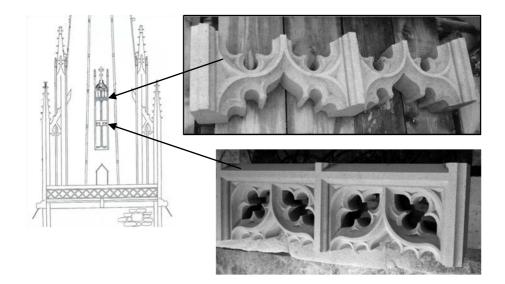
Father Roger went to the Churchill Hospital on 28<sup>th</sup> June for what he thought was going to be cycle 5 of his chemotherapy treatment. He had been experiencing some loss of vision in his left eye in recent weeks and he wanted to make sure that this was not directly related to his chemo treatment. The specialists at the Churchill decided not to give him his next infusion and instead undertook lots of tests, blood, ECG, blood pressure, etc. etc. the results of which all proved to be satisfactory.

However he was advised to see an ophthalmologist, which he did on 29<sup>th</sup> June. That consultation did not throw up any abnormalities either and nothing that was connected to his chemo treatment.

The momentary loss of vision was said to be because of the drip and if that is so then it is a very rare side effect.

The consultants therefore decided to be cautious and defer his next dose of chemo treatment which is now expected to start again on 19<sup>th</sup> July. This would mean that his treatment overall would therefore last longer than he was originally expecting, but there is still optimism that he will make a full recovery. In the meantime he is planning another holiday to Mallorca starting on July 31<sup>st</sup>!

#### **SPIRE UPDATE**



Although the conservation and restoration work on the spire and tower parapet continues to move forward, there have recently been a couple of steps backwards. The pencil line drawing you see above represents one of the spire 'lucarnes' which is one of the open 'windows' that can be seen from the ground. The two pieces of stone carvings have been sculpted out of large blocks of stone at the Sally Strachey workshops and have been transported here intact to then be hauled up the spire and fitted into the correct position. The carvings are guite incredible and show exactly what fine craftsmen there are in this company and that exist in today's conservation world. There is no doubt that when completed they will be in place for a very long time, and future generations will not need to worry about further restoration work on the spire. One of the four pinnacles has also found to be in a more serious state than was at first thought so further reconstruction is to happen with that. All this is extra time, and cost. The project is not now expected to be completed until round about mid-August and will raise the actual cost by about a further £10000. In the guality world of conservation and preservation that would not be too unreasonable, although it is an extra £10000 which will have to be found from somewhere.

Meanwhile news of our next project follows!

#### **ROOF PROJECT**

The Listed Places of Worship (LPOW) Roof Repair Fund is for urgent repairs to public places of worship across the UK. The Government-sponsored fund was set up to help make the UK's listed places of worship weather-tight, safe and to enable them to remain open for use. It is administered by the National Heritage Memorial Fund (NHMF) on behalf of the Department of Culture, Media and Sport.

Your Parish Church, here in King's Sutton is a Grade 1 Listed building, which is the highest category and is regarded as an outstanding example of one of the finest Churches in the country. It therefore qualifies for funds under this LPOW Roof Repair Fund. The south-facing roof of the Chancel, (the front bit of the Church you can see from the road), is in urgent need of re-tiling to make it watertight and based on the Church Architect's costings of £61,000 an application was made for £38,700.

Applications for the second round of funding under this scheme had to be made by 26<sup>th</sup> February 2016 and the results were announced on 6 July 2016. There was a pot of money amounting to £25 million, yet all the applications when added together came to £89 million. There were over 800 applications. A total of 401 places of worship received between £10,000 to £100,000 to meet the costs of urgent repairs to roofs and rainwater disposal schemes; also for structural investigations, specialist reports and bat surveys.

#### CONCLUSION

All this is just to whet the appetite and to inform you that our application was successful, and that in due course we shall be able to claim £38,700 from the Roof Repair Fund. That is the only bit that is clear-cut at this stage. The Architect has been instructed to put the work out to tender and when those estimates come in they will almost certainly be in excess of the original figure of £61,000. The Architect has said that work should start at the beginning of 2017 and will not be as big a project as the Spire and Tower parapet.

So this is *GOOD NEWS* that we have managed to get funds out of the Government but this represents just a small amount towards the overall Restoration Appeal Fund. So fundraising for the Appeal will continue, and with the help of the whole community, we will keep going until the Restoration programme is completed. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP SO FAR.** 



Many thanks to all those who either helped or came and supported the Royal Summer Fete held in June. Your support was really appreciated, and the superb total of £1685 was raised for church funds.

### FUTURE SOCIAL EVENTS DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

**10<sup>th</sup> September**: Traditional tea party @ Bell House
3.00 – 5.30pm. Entrance £5.00
Just come, eat, relax and chat.
Proceeds to Restoration Appeal Fund.

**11<sup>th</sup> September:** Celebration and Thanksgiving event for the completion of the Spire and Tower Parapet project. 3.00pm in Church. Representatives from the Acanthus Clews Architects, Viridor grant making body; Sally Strachey contractors and their workforce, Sponsors and Generous benefactors will all be there but it will be for everyone. Tea and cakes to finish! To think about.....

'The most significant achievement of our age is not that man stood on the moon, but rather that God in Christ stood upon this earth.'

(US Astronaut, James Irwin, on his return to earth after standing on the moon.)

# **Children and families**

**PARENT AND TODDLER WORSHIP** is at 9.30am every Friday during term time. We are in church for a short simple service and then play and chat in the Church Room. Please note there will be no PTW in August.

**FAMILY SERVICE:** this is normally held in the chancel of the church in the choir stalls. This will be on August 28<sup>th</sup> at 10am this month, and led by Stephen Connelly and Dee Thobourne.



The Catholic Congregation meets for Mass at 9am each Sunday in the Parish Church. Fr James Evans is the parish priest: 01295 660592 www.sacredheart.btck.co.uk

#### Services at Newbottle in July at 9.30am:

August	7 <sup>th</sup>	Trinity 11
August	$14^{th}$	Trinity 12
August	21 <sup>st</sup>	Trinity 13
August	28 <sup>th</sup>	Trinity 14

Sung Eucharist		
Matins		
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# PROPOSED calendar of Services for August 2016 PLEASE CHECK FOR UPDATES. If in any doubt please ring 01295 810967.

		KING'S SUTTON	
Mon	1		
Tues	2	Mass 9.30am	
Weds	3		
Thurs	4		
Fri	5	S Oswald	
Sat	6	The Transfiguration: Wedding 2pm	
Sun	7	Trinity 11: Sung Mass 11am; Evensong 6pm	
Mon	8		
Tues	9	Mary Sumner: Mass 9.30am	
Weds	10	S Laurence	
Thurs	11		
Fri	12		
Sat	13	Jeremy Taylor	
Sun	14	The Assumption: Mass 8am; Sung Mass 11am; Evensong 6pm	
Mon	15		
Tues	16	Mass 9.30am	
Weds	17		
Thurs	18		
Fri	19		
Sat	20	S Bernard: Wedding 12 noon	
Sun	21	Trinity 13: Sung Mass 11am; Evensong 6pm	
Mon	22		
Tues	23	Mass 9.30am	
Weds	24	S Bartholomew: Mass 7pm	
Thurs	25		
Fri	26	Mass 12 noon	
Sat	27	S Monica: Mass 10am SOLW	
Sun	28	Trinity 14: Mass 8am; Family Worship 10am; Sung Mass 11am;	
		Evensong 6pm	
Mon	29		
Tues	30	Mass 9.30am	
Weds	31		