

From the Priest in Charge

Dear Friends

Supplementary Newsletter 27

Welcome to this Supplementary edition of the Monthly Newsletter for May 2021.

St Botolph's to have a Rector again.



After a gap of about 35 years, St Botolph's is to have an Incumbent again, rather than a Priest in Charge.

Following the expiry of the previous Notice of Suspension of Presentation in October last year and vigorous representations by the PCC, the Bishop has agreed to Institute and Induct Fr Stephen as Rector. This is important because it lifts the cloud of uncertainty about the future which has been hanging over St Botolph's for so long and signals a return to our rightful standing in

the Diocese.

The Institution and Induction will occur during a special Sung Eucharist on Saturday 29th May 2021 at 11am.

Please make every effort to attend this service to show your support to the Bishop for this restoration of good order in the ecclesiastical life of St Botolph's.

Saying goodbye to Will Lyon Tupman as an Ordinand on 16th May



When not required elsewhere, Will has been with us these past couple of years as an Ordinand and preached and served on a number of occasions. Behind the scenes, he has been very willing to help out whenever he could, be it opening the church and remaining there during our open days, or turning up at church to take delivery of items when nobody else could.

Will be ordained a Deacon in the church of God on Sunday 4th July

at the Ordination Service at the Cathedral, before then starting his new ministry later that day at St Neots Parish Church, where he will serve his title as Assistant Curate.

Our thoughts and prayers go with him; and in grateful thanks for all that he has done for us, Fr Stephen presented Will with a Red Chasuble and Stole, hoping that he will have fond memories of his time at St Botolph's. Will replied that he has been grateful for the opportunities of St Botolph's and will cherish and wear this gift from us.



Corpus Christi – Thursday 3rd June

There will be a Sung Eucharist at 6pm for the Feast of Corpus Christi on 3rd June.



We give thanks for the means of grace and hope of glory made present in every celebration of the Holy Communion.

We offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, as the Prayer Book sets out in the Prayer of Oblation, to be taken into the ascended life of Our Lord and returned to us as sustenance for our journey of faith.

We shall use incense liturgically at this service.

Psalm 141.2 Let my prayer be set before thee as incense; and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

Revelation 8.4 ... and the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, rose before God ...

(Image courtesy of Will Lyon Tupman)

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The outcome of the meetings on Sunday 9th May was:

 Sarah Eastwood and Dan Jones were elected as Churchwardens for the Year 2021 – 2022.

The following were elected to the PCC for a 3-year term:

- Colin Greenhalgh CBE DL
- Kit Helps
- David Berry (also PCC Secretary)

In addition:

 George Owers was elected Deanery Synod Representative for a 3-year term. The position carries ex officio membership of the PCC.

They join:

- Jayne Ringrose
- Tamara Sword
- David Eastwood (also PCC Treasurer)
- Tim Brown

who continue to serve the remainder of their 3 years terms of office.

We congratulate those newly elected on their roles and hope and pray for continued good counsel, agreeable discussions and productive outcomes at the regular PCC meetings.

Evensong sung by the Choir of Queens College



I was astonished to find a choir of over 30 people coming from Queens to St Botolph's on Wednesday I2th May to sing Evensong for us. They sang superbly, making full use of our excellent acoustic as the *Amen's* to our prayers and supplications lingered in the air before fading.

If you haven't heard them sing

before, then you are in for a treat. Do join us next on Wednesday 26th May and 9th June at 6:15pm; also, on St Botolph's day, Thursday 17th June at 6pm, when Queens will sing for us again.

In the Collect for Ascension Day, we pray that we may in heart and mind thither ascend into the heavens and with Our Lord continually dwell. Being caught up in the subliminal singing of Queens Choir helps us to do that without any difficulty at all.

Forthcoming services during May and June

Sunday 23rd May - Whitsunday (Pentecost)

I Iam Sung Eucharist Revd Dr Jonathan Holmes preaching

Wednesday 26th May 6:15pm Evensong sung by the Choir of Queens College

Saturday 29th May

I I am Sung Eucharist with Institution and Induction of the Rector.

Celebrant & Preacher - the Lord Bishop of Ely

Sunday 30th May - Trinity Sunday

I Iam Sung Eucharist with Holy Baptism of Arthur Lucian Walmsley Fr Stephen preaching

June - 700th Anniversary month

Thursday 3rd June – Corpus Christi 6pm Sung Eucharist

Ben O'Neill preaching

Sunday 6th June – First Sunday after Trinity

I Iam Sung Eucharist Fr Stephen preaching

Wednesday 9th June 6:15pm Evensong sung by the Choir of Queens College

Sunday 13th June - Second Sunday after Trinity

Ham Mattins with Holy Communion

Fr Tim L'Estrange, Vicar of St Gabriel the Archangel, North Acton and President of the Botolphian Society, preaching

Thursday 17th June – Feast of St Botolph 6pm Festal Choral Evensong Revd Canon Jessica Martin, Canon Residentiary, Ely Cathedral, preaching

Sunday 20th June - Third Sunday after Trinity

Ham Sung Eucharist

Fr Max Bayliss, Chaplain, Queens College, celebrating and preaching

Wednesday 23rd June 9pm Compline by Zoom.

Saturday 26th June – 700th Anniversary of St Botolph's I lam – Sung Eucharist The Lord Bishop of Ely to celebrate and preach.

Light refreshments afterwards (COVID regulations permitting) Special choral programme Local clergy invited.

Sunday 27th June - Fourth Sunday after Trinity

I Iam Holy Communion (said with hymns – as Sunday after Christmas Day) 6pm Evensong sung by St Botolph's Choir

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18th May 2021