

HOLY INNOCENTS FALLOWFIELD

AUGUST 2018

As the Trinity season progresses:

The Rector writes:

August is a quieter month for many, either taking holidays or a break from school or other activities, or just the streets being less crowded with traffic. It might be a good time to think about people we don't see every day, perhaps those who used to come to our church but no longer do, or those who have moved away, who we can pray for or maybe get in touch with. Quieter times can also offer a chance for some rest and recreation, enjoying the fullness of late summer, a chance to find some stillness and a sense of what the future might hold. I hope you all find something good in this lovely time.

Richard Young

The summer of the Church's Year B is the bit where the lectionary, or selected readings suddenly take a quirky turn. There are two possible tracks. (One used to be called Continuous, the other Related – largely because the first selection worked systemically through particular books and sections of books of the Old Testament. The other set had a loose theme.) We have always gone with the Related selection, but for three of

the four Sundays, this works through Psalm 34, three chapters of the letter to the Ephesians and John Chapter 6. It is as if the readings are asking us to stay with the programme, follow the thread and sink into the flow of the narrative...a bit like Poldark, but without the Cornish accents and costumes. Keep the audience guessing from week to week!

It is a challenge for organists and others choosing music to find three different settings

for Psalm 34 and hymns that comment on the continuing themes.

Be assured that “Through all the changing scenes of life” will feature somewhere!

Dates for the diary:

Monday September 3rd: “At home in church” farewell meal and gathering for the Zweck Lench family (off to Australia in the early hours of Tuesday morning) 4.30-6.30pm.

Saturday September 22nd: The Golden Jubilee of Ordination for the Revd Bill Wilson will be celebrated with a Eucharist at St James Sussex Gardens, London W2 3UD at 12 noon.

Sunday August 5th Trinity 10, Proper 13

President and Preacher: The Rector

Readings: Exodus 16:2-4,10-19; Psalm 78:23-29; Ephesians 4:1-16; John 6:24-35

Hymns: *Jesus shall reign; Bread of heaven on thee we feed; Jesu, thou joy of loving hearts; Guide me, O thou great Redeemer*

Other music: *Bread of the world (arr. Bullard)*

Sunday August 12th Trinity 11, Proper 14

President and Preacher: The Rector

Readings: 1 Kings 19:4-8; Psalm 34:1-8; Ephesians 4:25-5:2; John 6:35,41-51

Hymns: *New every morning is the love; Gospel Alleluia; Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour; There's a wideness in God's mercy*

Other music: *Soul of my Saviour*

Sunday August 19th Trinity 12, Proper 15

President and Preacher: The Revd Canon Michael Ainsworth

Readings: Proverbs 9:1-6; Psalm 34:8-14; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58

Hymns: *Awake my soul and with the sun; Gospel Alleluia; We pray thee, Heavenly Father; Give to me Lord a thankful heart*

Other music: *Christ be the Lord of all our days*

Sunday August 26th Trinity 13, Proper 16

President and Preacher: The Revd Canon Michael Ainsworth

Readings: Joshua 24:1-2a,14-18; Psalm 34:15-end; Ephesians 6:10-20;
John 6:56-69

Hymns: *Angel voices, ever singing; Gospel Alleluia; The church's one
foundation; Beyond all mortal praise*

Other music: *Speak O Lord, as we come to you*
