HOLY INNOCENTS FALLOWFIELD

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September begins with some farewells:

Anna, Sam, Sarah and Emma are off to Australia on an 'open-ended adventure' and will be heading for Adelaide on Tuesday 4th September very early in the morning. They will be leaving their house on the Monday and coming along to church for a farewell tea, before making their way to the airport. All are welcome - please let us know if you might be attending, just to have an idea of numbers. Jamil is cooking - so bringing plastic boxes for leftovers might be a good idea! The Standing Committee will fit in a meeting sometime during the gathering...

On September 9th, Andrew Dawson sets off on an adventure as well - he is going to take up a two year posting as the sole social worker on the remote Atlantic Island of Tristan da Cunha. He will be back for a holiday in July next year. Tristan is one of the most isolated communities in the world, only reachable by eight boats a year from Capetown. Sunday September 2nd will be his last Sunday with us.

Thanks to modern communication technology we will be able to keep in touch with all of them - and they go with our love and prayers for the future.

If you have seen the news in recent days, you will have learnt of the dreadful accidental death of two teenage boys in a lake in Austria. They were two children from the Mar Thoma Church which meets in this building each week. Jason and Joel were probably baptised and confirmed here. Please pray for them and for the comfort of their families and gathered communities across the North West. The funerals will take place in Bolton where they lived and went to school.

Sunday September 2nd Trinity 14, Proper 17

President and Preacher: The Rector

Readings: Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-9; Psalm 15; James 1:17-end; Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

Hymns: All my hope on God is founded; Gospel Alleluia; For the beauty of the earth; O Jesus I have promised

Other music: If you but trust in God to guide you; You are salt for the earth, O people

Sunday September 9th Trinity 15, Proper 18

President and Preacher: The Rector

Readings: Isaiah 35:4-7a; Psalm 146; James 2:1-10,14-17; Mark 7:24-end

Hymns: The voice of God goes out to all the world; Gospel Alleluia; All

for Jesus, all for Jesus; O God of earth and altar

Other music: My soul there is a country

Sunday September 16th Trinity 16, Proper 19

President and Preacher: The Rector

Readings: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 116:1-8; James 3:1-12; Mark 8:27-end

Hymns: O worship the King; Gospel Alleluia; Light of the minds that

know him; The spacious firmament on high

Other music: The eternal gifts of Christ the King

Sunday September 23rd Trinity 17, Proper 20

President: The Rector

Preacher: Abigail Ogier

Readings: Jeremiah 11:18-20; Psalm 54; James 3:13-4:3,7-8a; Mark

9:30-37

Hymns: O Lord our God arise; Gospel Acclamation; And now O Father;

Ye servants of God

Other music: *And can it be*

Sunday September 30th St Michael and All Angels

President and Preacher: The Revd Mark Hewerdine

Readings: Genesis 28:10-17; Psalm 103:19-end; Revelation 12:7-12; John

1:47-end

Hymns: Christ the fair glory of the holy angels; Gospel Acclamation; Let

all mortal flesh keep silence; How shall I sing that majesty

Other music: Prayer to St Michael (Koerber)

Other dates to note:

Wednesday September 12th: PCC

Saturday September 22md: Golden Jubilee Celebration of Ordination for the Revd Bill Wilson, 12.00 at St James, Sussex Gardens.

Among other things, the PCC is focusing on our communication with the rest of the world, particularly people who used to be members of this congregation and have moved on, or people who we would like to keep in touch with.

And while there is lots of social media out there, sometimes people like to receive more friendly traditional post. It occurred to us that if we could get together a group of people who would fill envelopes with various bits of church related literature every couple of months, this would be a useful bit

of ministry and mission. We're not talking anything too glossy, but a chance to remind people that we are here. Please talk to the wardens if you would be interested!