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Sundays:

8 a.m. Holy Communion
10 a.m. Family Eucharist & Sunday
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Mondays:

6 p.m. Guided Meditation (Side Chapel)

Tuesday - Friday

8 a.m. Morning Prayer
6 p.m. Evening Prayer
6.30 p.m. Holy Eucharist

Also on Wednesday:

Holy Communion 12 noon.

Saturday:

Morning Prayer 8 a.m.
Eucharist 8.30 a.m.
Evening Prayer 6 p.m.

Confessions are heard by appointment

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Aubrey Walk, London, W8



Saints Peter and Paul

29th June 2008

WELCOME TO ST GEORGE'S

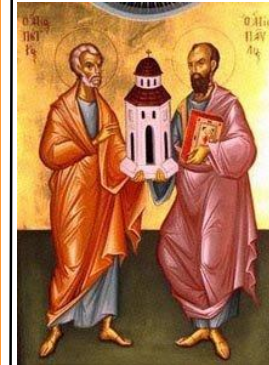
Come, you who have much faith and you who have little, and you who have not been for a long time, you who have been here often, you who have tried to follow and you who feel you have failed.

Come, not because I invite you, but because God does; and, as you are welcomed, go, and welcome others.

We welcome you to our worship this morning.

We hope God's Holy Spirit will touch your heart and that you may be strengthened by Word and Sacrament.

Gospel for Feast of Peter and Paul



Reading from St Matthew 16, 13-19.

The action in today's Gospel reading takes place in Caesarea Philippi – a key turning point in the Gospels: nothing can be the same again after this. The other disciples play it safe.

Only Peter, willing to make the biggest mistake of his life, (although in fact that will come later), risks all, risks blasphemy: "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And so he reveals what a big, risky God he has, God made human – a God who asks us, like Peter, to take extraordinary risks with Him and for Him.

Service at St John the Baptist

Today, this evening at our sister church, St John the Baptist on Holland Road, there is a **celebration of the feast of St John the Baptist**, our patronal festival. All are invited to a special evening Eucharist at **6.30pm**.

The choir will sing Missa Princeps Pacis by William Lloyd Webber. The celebrant and preacher is Canon Michael Boag. Following the service there will be a party.

I do hope that St George's will be well represented at this event.

Comings and Goings!

I suspect many people find change as difficult as I do and so it is with great sadness that I share with you the news of the departure of Caroline Newman as the Parish Administrator.

It's amazing to think she has been here for two years: in that time she has done a great job of trying to get me organised. Having struggled with the PCC to get them to grudgingly agree that I needed more help, along came the answer to my prayer in the form of Caroline.

Now that she has successfully achieved an honours degree she is off to the rural delights of Yorkshire, lucky her!! I want to thank her for her loyal and committed hard work whilst she has been with us and pray for her success and happiness in Yorkshire.

As she leaves us, along comes Piotr Blak to take on the reigns. Piotr (pronounced Peter) is in the throes of completing his MA in Systemic Theology at King's College. He hails from Poland and spent a couple of years training for the monastic life. He joins us as administrator and (very) part time vergar and I look forward to working closely with him.

The Annual Vicarage Garden Party

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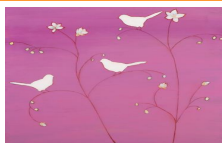
The Date: **16th July.**

The Venue: **Camden Hill Square Garden.**

Please join us! Tickets £10 but do not be put off by the price, come anyhow! You'll be really glad you did!

Sign up **NOW!** on the board at the back of the church... *See you there!!*

We are looking for volunteers: barman, furniture lifters and anyone who can contribute canapés. Please speak to Angela Lascelles as soon as possible if you can help.



Book Readings at Waterstones

Our local branch of Waterstones, the book store is holding a series of book readings by authors.

Our very own prolific author and journalist, Tom Stacey is taking part and he will read on the **3rd July at 7.30pm** from 2 novels: GK Chesterton's THE NAPOLEON OF NOTTING HILL, and his own Fleet Street novel THE MAN WHO KNEW EVERYTHING (both launched next week in new editions). It would be nice if we were able to support him.

£3 a seat redeemable against purchase of either of the books.

The Lambeth Conference is coming soon!

This conference, beginning on the **14th July**, is the meeting of the archbishops and bishops of the Anglican Communion.

A list of all Anglican provinces, is available here, www.lambethconference.org).

For more detailed information visit their website www.lambethconference.org Please pray for this conference and for the Anglican Communion and particularly Rowan, our Archbishop.

Saint of the week – St Thomas the Apostle

Saint Thomas the Apostle, Thomas was one of the Twelve Apostles of Jesus.

The Synoptic Gospels and Acts list this "twin" (Te'oma means twin in Aramaic, as does Didymus in Greek) among the apostles. He teaches us an important lesson about expressing our doubts, this is why he is often referred to as 'Doubting Thomas'.



The term is based on the Biblical account of Thomas the Apostle, who doubted the resurrection of Jesus and demanded to feel Jesus' wounds before being convinced (John 20:24-29). This was one of the first accounts of visions of Jesus and Mary to imply physical contact, although the Bible does not mention if actual contact took place. After seeing Jesus alive and being offered the opportunity to touch his wounds — according to the author of the Gospel of John — Thomas professed his faith in Jesus; on this account he is also, more correctly, called Thomas the Believer.

Christian Aid Week

The results of Christian Aid week, which was amazing, was as follows:

Street Collections £1807.87
Church Collections £5,550.81
Quiz night £2655.00
Concert £714.00
Cake sale £246.32
London Walk £625.00



This makes **the total £11597.00** and we have received a most generous offer to round this up to £12,000. This is before Gift Aid which should add about £1700, as not all the money was gift aided. So let's say **£14,700**, a wonderful result and thank you all again for such wonderful work.