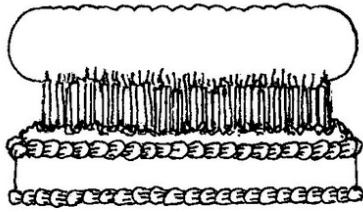
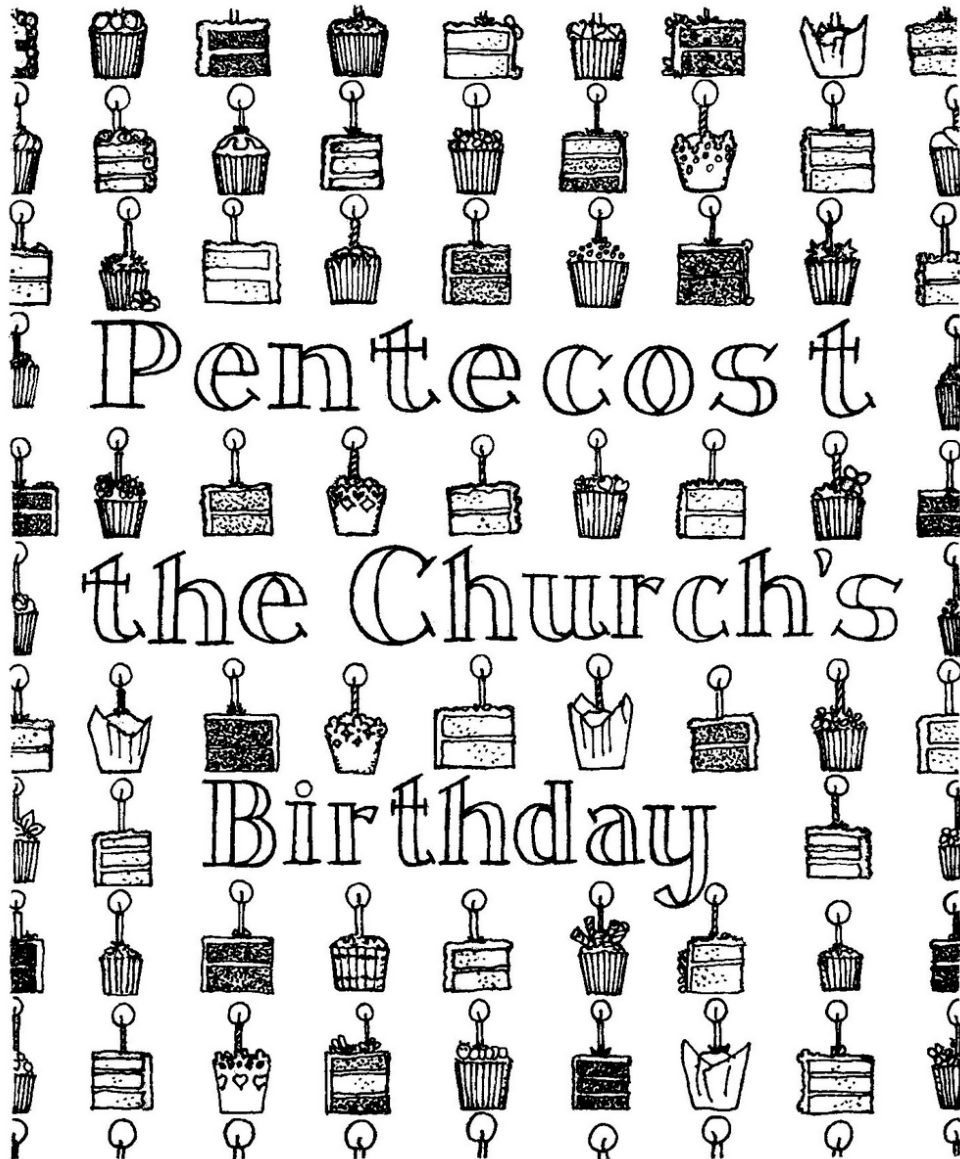


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Chaplains Letter

Dear Friends in Christ:

This June we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, remembering the sending of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples as promised by our Lord, it is the birthday of the Church. The following Sunday is Trinity Sunday and our calendar enters the second half of the Church's year – the season of Trinity. The liturgical colour is green, symbolizing growth and new life, because our readings will focus on our growth in the spiritual life.

In the raising of a child we focus not only on learning new things – language, science, art, history – but also on teaching them how to do new activities and acquiring skills – bicycle riding, drawing, building, games, playing an instrument. Likewise, our growth in the Spirit is both about certain knowledge – of our souls and of God, and thus what love is – and also about being engaged in activities of loving service in the world – willing the Good that we have come to know.

When Jesus walked among us he did miracles in our midst – he gave sight to the blind and he healed those who were crippled. John describes these miracles in his Gospel as signs. They point to Jesus' divine nature as the Son of God, fulfilling Old Testament prophesy (e.g. Isaiah 29:18-19; 35:5-6; 61:1-4), but also to a promise Jesus fulfils in each one of us as we come to know more fully the truth (we are less blind) and are made more able to love (we are less crippled or broken in heart).

When we *know* the Truth, and *will* the Good that we know (love), we become a better person, our *life* is enlarged. Knowing, willing, being. Augustine saw in these activities of the soul an image in us of the Holy Trinity – God the Son (Knowing – the Logos or Divine Reason behind all things), the Spirit (Willing – the Wind that blows where it wills, active Love), and the Father (Being – the great “I am”, Source of all life). (Jesus says God is “the Way, the Truth and the Life”!)

In God the Trinity, the Father is not greater than the Son or the Spirit but “the Glory equal, the Majesty co-eternal. Such as the Father is, such is the Son: and such is the Holy Spirit.” (from the Creed of St Athanasius, p. 27 BCP). There is a wonderful lesson here for us. If we are to become more like God in Trinity season, our *knowing* must bring about a *doing* or our personality will be distorted (not in the image of God). But if we act on the good we know, our life is likewise enlarged. The more we come to know Jesus, the more we are moved to act on that knowledge, the more we become. And when we are more alive, we in turn desire to know God more and that leads us to act...

I pray that we might all enter more fully in Trinity season into this spiral of ascent into the heart of God. Jesus says, *I am come that (you) might have life and that (you) might have it more abundantly!* [John 10:10]

In the love of God the Holy Trinity,

David



The Diocesan Bishop Designate

The next Bishop of Gibraltar in Europe will be the Reverend Canon Dr. Robert Innes, currently Senior Chaplain and Chancellor of the Pro-Cathedral of Holy Trinity, Brussels.

Pictures of the bishop designate and a video interview with him can be found, with a fuller version of this news release on the diocesan website:

<http://europe.anglican.org/>

Canon Innes was educated at Cambridge University and is an engineering graduate. He worked in electricity power stations and a major international business consultancy before training for ministry at Cranmer Hall, Durham in 1989. He served his title in the Diocese of Durham whilst also working as a lecturer at St. Johns College, Durham(1995 to 1999) after which he spent six years as Vicar of St. Mary Magdalene, Belmont.

He moved to the Diocese of Gibraltar in Europe to become Senior Chaplain and Chancellor of the Pro-Cathedral of Holy Trinity, Brussels in 2005. He was additionally appointed a Chaplain to Her Majesty the Queen in 2012.

Canon Robert Innes is 54 and is married to Helen. They have three daughters and a son. He will be commissioned and consecrated on the 20th July 2014 at Canterbury Cathedral.

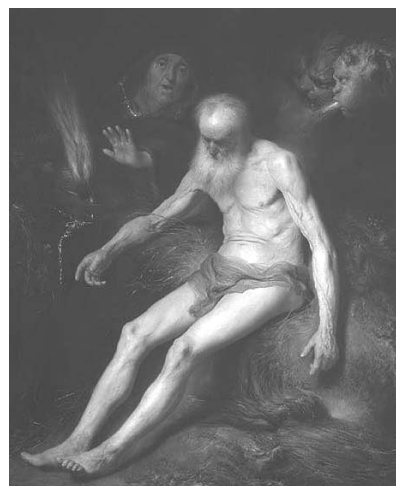
The new bishop will be based in Brussels and work closely with the Diocesan Office in London. He says it is timely that news of his appointment comes on the twentieth anniversary of the opening of Eurostar adding:

‘It links Britain and mainland Europe in a very physical way. My job as a bishop will be to build links and bridges, between England and the continent and between the different parts of our huge European diocese’

Drinking from the Well of Life

These daily readings are meant to augment and fit with the Sunday readings used at the services of Holy Communion.

In the week of Trinity Sunday, we begin reading through the book of Job. Job is one of the Wisdom books of the Old Testament. It deals with the question of theodicy – if God is All Loving and All Powerful, as Christians and Jews believe, then why do the righteous suffer? It is a book which is given to counter a too simplistic interpretation of the Law, where one might think that following God’s ways will necessarily lead to earthly prosperity. There are no easy answers given in the book of Job to the question of suffering, but too quick and faulty reasoning on the part of Job’s comforters is laid out as clearly defective. Job has been seen by the Church as a type or prophecy of Jesus Christ, who was without sin, yet suffered terribly and he is also an example to us of patience and faithfulness (e.g. James 5:11, Ezekiel 14:14, 20, Ecclesiasticus 49:9). (Painting of Job is by Jan Lievens, 1631, National Gallery of Canada)



The Week of Ascension Sunday – June 2 to 7

	<i>Morning Prayer</i>		<i>Evening Prayer</i>	
<i>Monday</i>	Judges 6:1-35	Hebrews 5:11--6 end	Judges 6:36--7:23	Hebrews 7
<i>Tuesday</i>	Judges 7:24--8:28	Hebrews 8	Judges 8:32--9:24	Hebrews 9:1-14
<i>Wednesday</i>	Judges 9:26-end	Hebrews 9:15-end	Judges 10:17--11:28	Hebrews 10:1-18
<i>Thursday</i>	Judges 11:29--12:7	Hebrews 10:19-end	Judges 13	Hebrews 11
<i>Friday</i>	Judges 14	Hebrews 12:1-13	Judges 15:1--16:3	Hebrews 12:14-end
<i>Saturday</i>	Judges 16:4-end	Hebrews 13	Deut.16:9-12	Acts 18:24--19:7

The Week of Whitsunday – June 8 to 14

	<i>Morning Prayer</i>		<i>Evening Prayer</i>	
<i>Whitsunday</i>	Joel 2:28-end	Rom. 8:1-17	Isaiah 11:1-9	Rom. 8:18-end
<i>Monday</i>	Ezekiel 11:14-20	Acts 2:12-36	Wisdom 1:1-7	Acts 2:37-end
<i>Tuesday</i>	Ezekiel 37:1-14	1 Corinthians 12:1-13	Wisdom 7:15--8:1	1 Cor. 12:27--13 end
<i>Wednesday</i>	1 Kings 19:1-18	1 Corinthians 2	Wisdom 9	1 Corinthians 3
<i>Thursday</i>	2 Samuel 23:1-5	Ephesians 6:10-20	Exodus 35:30--36:1	Gal. 5:13-end
<i>Friday</i>	Numbers 11:16-29	2 Cor. 5:14--6:10	Jeremiah 31:31-34	2 Cor. 3
<i>Saturday</i>	Numbers 27:15-end	Matthew 9:35--10:20	Isaiah 61	2 Tim. 1:3-14

The Week of Trinity Sunday – June 16 to 21

	<i>Morning Prayer</i>		<i>Evening Prayer</i>	
<i>Monday</i>	Job 1	James 1	Job 2	Mark 1:14-31
<i>Tuesday</i>	Job 3	James 2:1-13	Job 4	Mark 1:32-end
<i>Wednesday</i>	Job 5	James 2:14-end	Job 6	Mark 2:1-22
<i>Thursday</i>	Job 7	James 3	Job 8	Mark 2:23--3:12
<i>Friday</i>	Job 9	James 4	Job 10	Mark 3:13-end
<i>Saturday</i>	Job 11	James 5	Job 12	Mark 4:1-34

The Week of Trinity I – June 23 to 28

	<i>Morning Prayer</i>		<i>Evening Prayer</i>	
<i>Monday</i>	Job 13	1 Peter 1:1-21	Job 14	Mark 4:35--5:20
<i>Tuesday</i>	Job 15:1-16	1 Peter 1:22--2:10	Job 16:1--17:2	Mark 5:21-end
<i>Wednesday</i>	Job 17:3-end	1 Peter 2:11-3:7	Job 18	Mark 6:1-29
<i>Thursday</i>	Job 19	1 Peter 3:8--4:6	Job 21	Mark 6:30-end
<i>Friday</i>	Job 22	1 Peter 4:7-end	Job 23	Mark 7:1-23
<i>Saturday</i>	Job 24	1 Peter 5	Job 25 & 26	Mark 7:24--8:10

The Week of Trinity II – June 30 to July 5

	<i>Morning Prayer</i>		<i>Evening Prayer</i>	
<i>Monday</i>	Job 27	2 Peter 1	Job 28	Mark 8:11-9:1
<i>Tuesday</i>	Job 29:1--30:1	2 Peter 2	Job 31:13-end	Mark 9:2-29
<i>Wednesday</i>	Job 32	2 Peter 3	Job 33	Mark 9:30-end
<i>Thursday</i>	Job 38:1-21	Jude	Job 38:22-end	Mark 10:1-31
<i>Friday</i>	Job 39	1 John 1:1--2:6	Job 40	Mark 10:32-end
<i>Saturday</i>	Job 41	1 John 2:7-end	Job 42	Mark 11:1-26

Ecumenical affairs

Because of the approaching summer holidays things tone down a bit, even ecumenical events. Of course we still go on with the preparations for next years *Kerkennacht*, and the care we have for the elderly people. We continue to pray for our brothers and sisters of other denominations, but we will meet them less frequently. For you the summer may be an opportunity to visit a different congregation. I have learned that it could enrich your own way of worship. There is always something new to learn, in particular when you discover that our Lord was not an Anglican....

On Friday evening 20th June you are cordially invited to meet migrant Christians at the multi cultural musical event in the Triumfatorkerk, Utrecht. About ten migrant churches come together. Their choirs and musical groups will praise God in their own languages. We will hear hymns from the Surinam and the Coptic Orthodox churches; the Philippian Christians share their worship songs with the audience. A wide variety of languages will be spoken like English and Dutch, Indonesian and Oromo, Assyrian, Arabic and Aramaic. All congregations will offer delicious food to each visitor.

It is an excellent opportunity to learn from fellow Christians why they came to the Netherlands and discover in what way they praise the same God as you do.

Participating churches are Lifeword Christian Centre, the Philippian, Armenian & Ethiopian Churches; Evangelische Broeder Gemeente; Assyrian Church of the East; Karen Congregation (Burma) and Perki (Indonesian).

Come along, there is no admission charge to this wonderful event on 20th June that begins at 7pm. The Triumfatorkerk is located at the Marco Pololaan 185. There is ample free parking space.

In April there was a meeting about the subject *Youth in the Church*. Representatives of many churches gathered in the Dom for this dedicated topic. The subject concerned congregations consisting of mainly elderly people. They were eager to learn how to get young people into their worship. Some of the congregations loose teenagers and with them we shared one or two ways how to keep them. Successful congregations with many youth and young adults in church employ professional youth workers.

On invitation of the USRK they shared their experiences. However the given methods are no guarantees whether they work in other communities. Setting up a youth group will take many years before it sees fruition. The congregation should give full support to the people working with youth, but above all they have to pray for them.

While you are praying, would you do so for the ecumenical work in Utrecht?
Thank you.

Henk Korff



Searching for a house to rent

Many of us may remember Menno and Edith Rasch. Menno was our treasurer for a number of years. They have recently sold their house in Leidse Rijn and have to move out by July 1st.

If anyone has or knows of a house or apartment they can rent for 6 months please let them know. You can contact them via mail@mennorasch.nl

Sent to the editor from the Standing Committee

Since the last Annual General Meeting and the election of the Churchwardens, a change has taken place. Wijnand van Rossum has for personal reasons resigned from his position and Adrian Los has come back as acting Churchwarden to temporarily fill this position. As of writing this (in the beginning of May) we are looking for a new Churchwarden to complete and strengthen our team. Please continue to pray that God will lead us to a new candidate.

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TURNING GREY TODAYS INTO COLOURFUL TOMORROWS

Charity Concert for Imibala at Holy Trinity Church on June 7

Imibala is a non-profit organization whose primary purpose is to raise money to sponsor children who cannot afford to attend school:

Imibala Sponsor a Child programme assists needy children to attend primary school. R900 / 70 Euros - will buy a school uniform and encourage them to attend school for a year. Since 2002 Imibala has helped over 8500 children, giving them the chance in the future to enter the workforce and earn a living. 100% of contributions goes to the children.

The Imibala Trust was started by Gaynor Rupert in 2002. Since then, it has changed the lives of many underprivileged children and their parents alike. Imibala's main focus is providing a primary education for children in schools serving the underprivileged communities of the Helderberg area located just outside of Cape Town. Imibala, in Somerset West, has a Restaurant and an Art School as well as an Art Gallery which showcases the work of local artists. The Imibala Restaurant was established to help achieve the aims of the Imibala Sponsor-a-Child programme. The profits from the restaurant pay for the administration costs of Sponsor-a-Child. Photos of the children can be viewed in the restaurant. The Sponsor A Child programme, the third leg of Imibala, also supports computer classes and dance classes for children from the schools it works in.

Since its inception in 2002, Imibala has facilitated more than 10,400 sponsorships of primary school learners. In 2013 alone over 2,351 children in the Helderberg Basin were sponsored. Additionally, Imibala provides training in painting, crafts, pottery, paper maché, poetry, drama and life skills for approximately 40 children from three local schools.

Art Classes

The Art Centre established by Donna Downie in 2000 has grown in size and volume. Children selected from 6 of the schools on the Imibala Sponsor A Child programme visit the art centre as an extra mural activity where with the help of competent volunteers instruction on all forms of art takes place. In addition, senior learners that have proved to have a keen interest and ability in art attend a special senior class with a more intense focus on technique. As opposed to formal art training, the art centre acts as facilitator for art, self esteem, interaction and group work.

Once every 2 months an exhibition of children's art work from the centre is displayed. We pride ourselves on inter action and having youngsters believe in themselves.

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Dance Classes

For 6 years, Imibala has been paying the dance class fees for a group of up to 20 pupils who are taught by Amanda Peaceful Dance Company. The pupils come from the Somerset West Methodist Primary School which is located in town. Many pupils have talent. Some are still supported by Imibala even though they have gone on to High School. Our most newsworthy pupil is Jocelyn Solomons who is in Grade 9. In August 2010 she went to Reunion as a member of 2 teams of dancers representing South Africa and competed against 100 other entrants. In the individual sections she won the Latin Section as well as the Classic Section and she was awarded Silver for the Energy Section.

Computer Classes

Computer classes are offered to one Grade 6 class and one Grade 7 class from a school in the township which does not have its own computer facilities. They learn all the basics of computers and various programmes which will help them as they continue their studies in High School. As with the art pupils who come from the township schools, our Imibala bus fetches them and returns them back to school at the end of the afternoon. Imibala has also taught school teachers themselves.

Xhosa Classes for interested friends of Imibala

Xhosa classes for adults. The class leader is Thuliswa Skotshi. This class is more conversational than grammatical, the idea is to master pronunciation and tenses, and then build up a vocabulary. Cost for an hour and a half session will be R50.00 including a cup of tea or coffee and a snack, with all proceeds to IMIBALA.

I hope we can consider this charity to help the children realize the possibility of a more colourful future.

More information can be found on the internet: imibala marketing film: you tube

The reason for this introduction is the upcoming concert which will be given by Mofish on June 7 at Holy Trinity Church. Concert starts at 7pm and ends at 8:45pm, doors open at 6:40pm. Come and have fun and help the children!

As part of a competition some of the art students have designed a poster for the forthcoming concert- all of them really exceptional – featuring some of the works below – for more information please contact:

Alison Cooney

Bible Study between Pentecost and Summer!

Normally we have two sessions per month

. In June there will be another approach.

Tuesday June 10 – in the parsonage hall:

Introduction to Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit.

Starting at 20.00, end at 21.45. Tea and coffee at 19.45

Saturday June 21 during the "Away day" different activities will be organised related to the nine fruits of the Spirit. In this way we intend to grow the interest of the HTU church members for Bible Studies

. The fruits are

Love

Joy

Peace

Patience

Kindness

Generosity or Goodness

Faithfulness or Trustfulness

Gentleness

Selfcontrol

Everybody is welcome

Let us be united as the disciples were in studying the Bible

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Sunday School Rota of leaders

June 1st	No Sunday School			
June 8th	Young Group	Gonny	Old Group	Kristen
June 15 th	Young Group	Ingrid	Old Group	Edwin
June 22 nd	Young Group	Danielle	Old Group	Gonny
June 29 th	Young Group	Kristen	Old Group	Edwin