

**Dates for the Diary: September**

- Thurs. 5th Film Club, Trinity Centre
- Sun. 7th Area Co. Picnic, Dalkeith Park
- Wed. 10th Vestry Meets, 7.30pm
- Sat. 13th After Lambeth Conference, Holy Trinity
- Thurs. 18th Area Co. Meeting
- Sun. 21st St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
- Sun. 28th Harvest Thanksgiving  
(Floral and other contributions gratefully received.)
- Tues. 30th St. Michael and All Saints



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**WEEKLY SERVICE TIMES**

<b>Sundays</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>	<b>8.30am</b>
	<b>Family Eucharist</b>	<b>10.00am</b>
	<b>Eucharist</b>	<b>11.45am*</b>
	<b>*(First Sunday of the month on-ly)</b>	
	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>

**Dear All,**

I'm writing this after only one week at Holy Trinity, but while a week may be a long time in politics, in the Church it is the twinkling of an eye! I have met the Vestry and the Team, and worshipped with you through the week, and a few faces are beginning to attach themselves to names. I am greatly impressed at the range of ability, devotion and hard work that characterize you. I am greatly looking forward to being with you and whatever you may learn from me, I know that I will learn much from you.

The main function of an interim pastor is to assist rather than to lead. This time between rectors is a chance for you all to grow together and think of how individually and together you can best serve Christ in his Church. In his letter in June, Father Paul emphasized the opportunities of the changing seasons of the Church year, and in particular the chance that the warm(?) days of summer give us to relax and reflect. One of my cherished memories of a former Rector of St Columba's-by-the-Castle is a sermon which began, "I always think there's something rather wonderful about the Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity!" And, in case you might otherwise miss it, that "festival" falls on September 14th this year! The point is that any and every day can and should be wonderful, but that rather obvious point is all too easy to forget.

One activity I greatly enjoy is visiting other churches on holiday. Sometimes I learn something new about worship, and sometimes, I'm just grateful that I'm not going to have to go back to that place. I had a week off from our parish in Canada this summer, and had a particularly chaotic experience at a Presbyterian Church where the minister was trying unsuccessfully to get members of the congregation to take a more active role. It was wonderful to come back to a church with many people genuinely sharing in the leadership of orderly, meaningful worship. Over the next few months, I look forward to being a part of that sharing.

May God bless us all.

Bob

Pastoral matters should be referred to a member of the Ministry Team. Phone numbers on front cover.

### **Sunday Eucharistic Readings**

**7th September : Ezekiel 33 7-11,**

**Romans 13 8-14, Matthew 18 15-20**

**14th September: Genesis 50 15-21,**

**Romans 14 1-12, Matthew 18 21-28**

**21 September Proverbs 6 1-6 9(13-18) 2**

**Timothy 3 14-17 Matthew 9 9-13**

**28 September Ekekiel 17 1-7,**

**Philippians 2 1-13, Matthew 21 23-32.**

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**DEADLINES...** You can greatly assist the production process by submitting information and articles as soon as possible and not waiting for the deadline.

**The deadline for the October issue is Sunday 14th September**

Please send all material to Sari:

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Text box

## Daily Eucharistic Readings

Sept 1 Luke 4 16-30  
 Sept 2 Luke 4 31-37  
 Sept 3 Luke 4 38- 44  
 Sept 4 Luke 5 1-11  
 Sept 5 Luke 5 33-39  
 Sept 6 Luke 6 1-5

Sept 8 Luke 6 6-11  
 Sept 9 Luke 6 12-19  
 Sept 10 Luke 6 20-26  
 Sept 11 Luke 6 27-38  
 Sept 12 Luke 6 39-42  
 Sept 13 Luke 6 43-49

Sept 15 Luke 7 1-10  
 Sept 16 St Ninian Mt 9 35-38  
 Sept 17 Luke 7 31-35  
 Sept 18 Luke 7 36-50  
 Sept 19 Luke 8 1-3  
 Sept 20 Luke 8 4-15

Sept 21 Luke 8 16-18  
 Sept 22 Luke 8 19-21  
 Sept 23 Luke 9 1-6  
 Sept 24 Luke 9 7-9  
 Sept 25 Luke 9 18-22  
 Sept 26 Luke 9 43b-45

Sept 28 Luke 9 46-50  
 Sept 29 St Michael and All Angels John 1 47-51  
 Sept 30 Luke 9 57-62



## INTER-REGNUM NEWS

Our Interim Pastor, the Reverend Robert Gould, will, by now be familiar to many of you at our regular services and at coffee afterwards. Bob has also met with Vestry and Ministry Team and arrangements are well in hand for cover of all services until the end of November. The general pattern of Bob's availability will be to preside at the 8.30am and 10am Eucharists on a Sunday twice a month and at other times as the need arises. He will also be in the chair at our AGM in November. We are grateful to him for the level of his commitment and have already benefited from his support and advice

We shall shortly be meeting with the Bishop to set in motion the procedures for the filling of the Vacancy and our most immediate priority is the preparation of our Congregational Profile. We are also in the initial stages of preparing a Holy Trinity website which we hope to have up and running as soon as possible.

At our last Vestry meeting one of the topics under discussion was the importance of keeping the lines of communication open between Congregation, Vestry and Team. This is perhaps a time for reflection on recent events.. Where are we now and where do we want to go? What do we see as the future for Holy Trinity? It may not be the same for all of us so how do we arrive at some kind of consensus? One member of the congregation suggested issuing a questionnaire; another a suggestion box; others a chat over coffee; another a regular feature in the magazine - "The View from the Pew!" Please feel free to speak with any member of the Vestry or the Ministry Team or alternatively send an e-mail to :- [holy\\_trinity@btconnect.com](mailto:holy_trinity@btconnect.com)  
 Davina Briggs (Chair, Inter-regnum Committee)

## HOLY TRINITY SALE

For the results of the  
 August Sale please see the  
 October Gloria.



## FROM THE BISHOP

The Lambeth Conference has happened. It was an excellent event, and one that speaks well for the future health of the Anglican Communion. The Archbishop of Canterbury was given a well-deserved standing ovation for his leadership at the conference. Sue Parks, the conference organiser, likewise was given one for her work. The teams of many volunteers and stewards, who enabled matters to flow smoothly from day to day, were thanked by us all.

The conference was planned to be different from previous conferences. There were to be no resolutions passed. We also quickly adjusted to a method of working, in ‘indaba’ groups, that was new to most of us. A ‘narrative’ of our ‘reflections’ has been drafted and has been issued. It is hoped that all bishops will speak to this document when they return home, owning it as an important record of a significant event. The document does reflect both agreement and disagreement, but my own view is that the Communion is now potentially in a better place than it was before we met.

It was a hardworking conference, with a very full programme. From the time of setting out for morning worship to the end of an evening plenary or other gathering, every moment was filled. You had to keep alert to what was going on. The overall programme responded to developments as they took place. If you missed the notices at morning worship, you might find yourself floundering! Choices as to what one could do abounded almost every day. Possibly there was too much choice, creating the inevitable regret that one could not do everything. On occasions there could be 20-30 options from which to choose. However the overall programme modelled practices from which we could well learn concerning our own life together.

But it was not ‘all work and no play’. There were relaxing moments – an abundance of receptions (these too could clash, and choices have to be made!). We danced the ‘Gay Gordons’ with USPG; we ‘rocked and rolled’ to a (very) ‘big band’ at Canterbury Cathedral. We were entertained at Buckingham Palace and at Lambeth Palace. We had a conference photograph taken.

And throughout it all we tried to keep our eye on the ‘bigger issues’. We began with an excellent retreat led by the Archbishop on the theme “*God’s Mission and a Bishop’s Discipleship*”. This set the tone for our meetings. We walked through London in support of the Millennium Development Goals. Alongside the ‘Lambeth Conference’ there was the Spouses’ Conference, with its own separate programme, including a major focus on the theme of violence against

## ROTA SEPTEMBER

DATE	Coffee & Tea
Sept. 7th	Effie Bowman and Mary Wallace
14th	Felicity Mackenzie and Wyn Williamson
21st	Margaret Fairbairn and Julian Tennant
28th	Diana Dee and Cindy Sykes
	<b>Sidespersons</b>
Sept. 7th	Margaret and Stewart Glass
14th	Jean Blackadder and Effie Bowman
21st	Jeremy Willing and Jim McAndie
28th	Margaret Fairbairn and Eileen Banks
	<b>Chalice Assistants</b>
Sept 7th	Martin Lugton and Sari Salvesen
14th	Jean Fairbairn and Jim McAndie
21st	Judith Wilkinson and Julian Tennent
28th	Margaret Fairbairn and Mary Wallace
	<b>Readers</b>
Sept 7th	Chris. Stephen, Alison Cowe, Felicity Mackenzie
14th	Jim McAndie, Effie Bowman, Julian Tennent
21st	John Elcock, Ena Briggs, Robert Gould
28th	Harvest, to be arranged
	<b>Flowers</b>
Sept. 6th	Margaret and Christine Glass
13th	Margaret and Christine Glass
20th	Liz Wilson and John Elcock
27th	Liz Wilson and John Elcock

## **FORTH ROAD BRIDGE WALK**

### **For Christian Aid**

**This event, postponed from April will now take place on**

**Saturday, 20th September, 2008**

**Sponsorship forms may be obtained from Julian Tennent, 01620 810303**

**In recent years this has been a most successful event, raising good amounts for Christian Aid. You would be welcome to join.**

**To help us as a Church Family with our current reflection, Bishop Kenneth has contributed the following:**

# **CONFLICT**

## **Five approaches in dealing with conflict**

- The TURTLE** -to withdraw from the situation
- The SHARK** -to force one's own way, ignoring relationships
- The FOX** -to compromise, to shove the problem under the carpet
- The TEDDY BEAR** -to smooth & comfort, making the other person happy, but letting go goals and principles
- The OWL-** to look with both eyes into the eyes of the other and face the issues non-violently, in relationship



women. Plenary sessions on evangelism, climate change, and ecumenism also focussed our minds. But perhaps most of all, as we discussed informally together and heard of the issues being faced by bishops in such places as Sudan, Rwanda, Burma, Melanesia..... our own domestic agenda was put in perspective.

It was a good event. Yet the thing that most puzzled us as the conference ran its course, was the fact that much (not all) of the press coverage was so *very* inaccurate. Clearly there are currently two 'Lambeth Conferences' now in the public domain – the one we attended, and the one people who did not attend have read about. Perhaps these two will come together in a creative way when we have the day in Haddington on 13 September and discuss issues 'After Lambeth'.

I do thank you all for your prayers as we met. I only wish you all could have been there with me to share in the experience.

+Brian

## **WHAT HAVE BEEN THE OUTCOMES OF LAMBETH THIS YEAR?**

**Come and hear  
Rt. Rev. Brian Smith and Mrs. Lissa Smith**

**report on the Lambeth Conference on  
SATURDAY, 13TH SEPTEMBER, 2008  
At HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, HADDINGTON  
10am—3pm**

**Registration and coffee from 9.00am  
The day includes responses to the reports and time for  
group discussion. Bring friends and bring your own  
lunch. There is no charge but donations welcome.**

**To book a place please email  
adventures@dioceseofedinburgh.org  
Or phone 0131 538 7033**

Farewell to Paul

Many thanks to all who joined with Paul and his family in Church and at lunch in the Trinity Centre on his last Sunday with us. He was quite overwhelmed by the warmth and generosity of the Congregation and appeared particularly pleased with his hand-made card from Alice and Lucy Craven.

Thank you Alice and Lucy.

Insert picture of Paul

**AREA COUNCIL**

**PICNIC**

**PRAISE**



Sunday 7th September 2008

From 3 pm

Dalkeith Country Park

(Entry free with ticket available from your Lay Rep)

Come along and bring the family and friends. An afternoon of fun in Dalkeith Country Park including a Service of Praise.

Bring your own picnic.

Meet at the Adventure Playground.

Interested in helping with the music?  
Contact Rev. Peter Harris 0131 663 7000

Many of you have asked where to find the poem which Paul read at the end of his penultimate sermon at Holy Trinity. It is

***THE BRIGHT FIELD***

*I have seen the sun break through  
To illuminate a small field  
For a while, and gone my way  
And forgotten it. But that was the pearl  
Of great price, the one field that had  
The treasure in it. I realize now  
that I must give all that I have  
To possess it. Life is not hurrying*

*On to a receding future, nor hankering after  
An imagined past. It is the turning  
Aside like Moses to the miracle  
Of the lit bush, to a brightness  
That seemed as transitory as your youth  
Once, but is the eternity that awaits you.*

**By R.S. Thomas 1913 — 2000  
From “The Nation’s Favourite 20th Century Poems”  
Published by BBC Worldwide Limited**

**Intercessions**

**Some of the people for whom we have been praying are unknown to many of the present congregation. The Ministry Team would, therefore, be grateful if before the end of September you would identify anyone on the list known to you, to any member of the Team . Those still unknown will then be deleted from the list.**

**The Notice board**

**FOREIGN STAMPS AND POST CARDS  
SOLD IN AID OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
IN THE SUDAN**

**Thank you to all who have given me stamps and post cards to send for sale to help the Church in Sudan.**

**A recent letter (July) reported that over £52,000 was realised over the last five years!**

**I am continuing Ian’s dedication to that country, so please let me have your unwanted post cards— used or unused, and Foreign Stamps.**

**Thank you all for your help.**

**Dorothy Watts**



**Film Club**

**Thursday xxxxx  
1.30 pm Trinity centre**

**Tea, biscuits and gossip to follow**

## THANKS

I am writing to thank the Congregation of Holy Trinity for the very generous gifts they gave me when I gave up playing the organ in January.

As I said at the time, there was no need for any gift. I thoroughly enjoyed the 22 years I acted as organist.; the Congregation were always most supportive and sang with remarkable sensitivity. That was reward enough.

However, to receive a beautiful hook on East Lothian, a bottle of Glenfiddich for the Inner Man (or woman) and the breathtakingly large cash gift left me looking for words. In all senses of the words, it was really too much.

Mary too was delighted to receive a beautiful plant of African Violets — a very colourful bonus.

Some seven months have elapsed since I last played the organ; during that time I was desperately ill but I have been greatly strengthened by the good wishes of all our friends and by the prayers of the Congregation at the services in Holy Trinity.

I can never forget all the kindness I have received.

Thank you for everything.

Gordon

## HOLIDAYS 2008

**Many of us travel in the British Isles or abroad, or stay with families and friends during the summer months. It is good to carry greetings from Holy Trinity to Christians who gather in other places of worship and possibly to bring back news items of interest to us.**

## FROM THE REGISTERS:

### Funeral:

**2nd July, 2008 Josephine Elizabeth Sinclair**

**“May they rest in peace and rise in Glory.”**



## CHURCH BOOKINGS

**Requests for Church Bookings should now be made to  
Martin Lugton  
Telephone 01620 825 101**

**Requests for booking the Trinity Centre  
Should still go to the Trinity Centre  
Reception, Telephone 01620 829 354**

