All Saints' North Hillingdon 28th Sept 2025 – Green Trinity 15 / Proper 21



Amos warns out-of-touch leaders 'on their beds of ivory', about injustice, oppression of the poor and God's impending judgement and coming exile. Does comfort and complacency keep me from seeing the needs of others?

Paul writes to Timothy about godliness, contentment, living faithfully, the destructive trap of wealth and harmful desires, to 'fight the good fight', to take hold of eternal life, to be rich in generosity and good works. *Am I using my life to* 'store up treasures in heaven' or to seek worldly comforts?

In Luke, Jesus warns us of heaven and hell, the eternal consequences of how we live on earth; the rich man's life of luxury isolates himself from others' suffering and he ends up in hell. *Are there any "Lazaruses" at my gate, and how do I respond to them?*

10am Guest Preacher: Ros Yates is an ordained deacon for 32 years, serving in local churches in London, Belgium, Moscow and Oman, raising four now adult children, being married to Neil who leads the Antioch Community (West London ecumenical renewal group). She likes to bring art and music into ministry, enjoys Botany and gardening, especially Kew Gardens.

New English Hymnal - 10 O'Clock

THE W ENGINEET YEAR TO CLOCK		
Opening	440	Praise to the Lord
Gradual	387	Jesus good above all other v1 2 5
Offertory	372	He who would valient be
Comm'n	376	I heard the voice of Jesus say
Sending	186	Tell out my soul the greatness

Regular Mid-week Events:

Tues - 7.30pm Men's Bible study @ Vicarage

Wed - 10 am Holy Communion

10:30am Cake, Coffee & Chat in Hall

Diary Dates:

5th Oct - Harvest Festival Sunday LUNCH

12:15 after 10am service.

18th Oct – Quiz night Church Hall 7pm.

2nd Nov – 5pm All Souls Sunday night service with lighting of candles to remember the departed.

9th Nov – 10am Remembrance Service with laying of wreaths.

QR code for giving to All Saints Church: (gift aid forms on side table)



THIS WEEK'S INTERCESSIONS: We lift up to the Lord those who have asked for our prayers; Mark Callaghan, Simon Matthews, David Rance, Hazel & Helen Parris, John Clarke, Mabel and Tony Poon-Jones, James Wills, Lyn Prior, Lynn Taylor, Tony Bond, Pat Szymański, Ann Tutton. May they know the Lord's healing, grace and blessing.

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We remember the anniversaries this week of the deaths of: Frederick Parsons, Mary Demoore, Andrew Cecil, Anne Noble, Roger Bowerman, Eileen Holland, Diane Menike, Hugh William Shaw, Winifred Green, Florence Cooley, Olive Barber and Joan Taylor.

Macmillan Coffee Morning:

We raised a little over £375 last Sunday. Huge thank you to Anne Robinson and everyone who contributed so generously.

Baptism and Confirmation service: The Bishop is coming 10am Sunday 16th Nov. If you are interested, let me know: ulricgerry@icloud.com

Ryefield Court Care Home: Holy Communion Tuesdays 11am on: 7th Oct, 4th Nov, 2nd Dec.

Visits / Home Communion: If you know of anyone who needs a home or hospital visit, or needs prayer, let me know; Rev Ulric Gerry 07909 127 929 ulricgerry@icloud.com

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Sunday 28 September 2025

28 September 2025 Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

COLLECT

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit

upon your Church in the burning fire of your love:

grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you,

they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service;

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

FIRST READING Amos 6:1a. 4-7

A reading from the book of the prophet Amos.

Thus says the LORD, the God of hosts: Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria! Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall; who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music; who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

Or Jeremiah 32:1-3a. 6-15

PSALM Psalm 146

R The Lord shall reign for ever.

Alleluia.

Praise the Lord, O my soul:
while I live will I praise the Lord;
as long as I have any being,
I will sing praises to my God.
Put not your trust in princes,
nor in any human power,
for there is no help in them.
When their breath goes forth, they return
to the earth;
on that day all their thoughts perish. R

Happy are those who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in the Lord their God; Who made heaven and earth, the sea and all that is in them; who keeps his promise for ever; Who gives justice to those that suffer wrong and bread to those who hunger. R

The Lord looses those that are bound; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind;

The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

the Lord loves the righteous; R

The Lord watches over the stranger in the land; he upholds the orphan and widow; but the way of the wicked he turns upside down.

The Lord shall reign for ever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Alleluia. **R**

SECOND READING 1 Timothy 6:6-19

A reading from the first letter of Paul to Timothy.

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time - he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen. As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

GOSPEL Luke 16:19-end

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Jesus told this parable to those among the Pharisees who loved money: "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' The man who had been rich said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house - for I have five brothers - that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' Abraham said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.""

POST COMMUNION

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy;

and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall,

keep us ever by your help from all things

and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.



