

Thelma is recovering from her long illness and Neville from his accident. Meanwhile the Newsletter has been taken over temporarily from Thelma by Andrew Cochlin. All copy should be sent to [a.cochlin@libero.it](mailto:a.cochlin@libero.it) until further notice.

**Rebecca Harden writes:**

(Mother's Day Service followed by a Bake Sale organised by Rebecca and Emma) A very big thank you to everybody involved, whether you baked a cake or bought one. I thought you would all like to know we have raised Euro 400 for the Sri Lankan school meals programme. Not much left but what was left over I have put in the freezer and will use for Refreshments on March 11th. Thank You for whatever part you played in supporting this initiative. Thank you to Rebecca and Emma for organizing this!



The 2018 Rice Bowl project supports the School Meals Programme in Sri Lanka which began in July 2003. Building on previous successes, the collaboration between WFP and the government provides daily nutritious meals to over 160,000 students in 958 schools in the five districts of the Northern Province.

- Did you know that our sermons are recorded and can be heard on our website? Do visit [www.allsaintsrome.org](http://www.allsaintsrome.org).
- There will be a baptism on Easter Morning. Gioia, second child of proud parents Narindra and Richard, will be the happy girl. Do come and support them!
- Our concert choir, the New Chamber Singers, will be taking part in a performance of Bach's St Matthew Passion on Palm Sunday at St Paul's Within the Walls at 18.30.
- Today Father David and Jane are representing us at an ordination at the church of Ognissanti (All Saints')
- From mid-March to mid-April the church musicians will be joined by a visiting singer and organist. Aine Kennedy is the first year organ scholar at Keble College, Oxford, and she is in Rome for an intensive course in Italian.
- Today and next Sunday only there will be a sale of DVDs in aid of Rice Bowl. There are some fine films and TV series on offer so don't miss the opportunity!
- The Mothering Sunday service last week was presided over by Father David, who led his Diddy Disciples in some rousing singing, much appreciated by the congregation.
- On Wednesday March 28<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. there will be a Quiet Day in church, a day of reflection which will include a eucharist at 12.45, with prayers for Healing and Wholeness.
- A leaflet with the complete services for Holy Week is available in church.
- The next ecumenical work day at the San Gregorio garden is on March 24<sup>th</sup>. For information please contact Rose Wentz 327 075 1908

## CHORAL EVENSONG

Most cathedrals of the Church of England, from where the service originates, and a number of university college chapels (e.g. in the University of Cambridge, the University of Oxford, the University of Durham and King's College London) offer this service regularly, often daily.

**Even-song.**  
After the 7. lesson, one of  
these that follow.  
Magnificat.



**M** soule doth magnifie the lord.  
And my spirit hath rejoyced in god my saviour.  
For he hath regarded the lowliness of his  
handmaide, for behold from henceforth all  
generations shall call me blessed. For he that is

Canterbury Cathedral is one of the few churches in the country where Evensong is sung seven days a week by their Foundation choir. Most choirs take an evening off or use a volunteer choir for a day every now and then. Aside from the cathedrals and collegiate chapels, Evensong is also sung in many parish churches around England where there is a choral tradition. There may be a choral service each Sunday or less frequently, such as on a monthly basis or only on feast days in the liturgical calendar. Many churches in central London have a professional choir and have a weekly service of Choral Evensong, among them All Saints, Margaret Street, Holy Trinity Sloane Square and St Bride's, Fleet Street.

**Choral Evensong takes place at All Saints' on the fourth Thursday of the month at 19.00. You are therefore invited to attend this beautiful service on March 22<sup>nd</sup>, when the music will be by Henry Purcell. Guest singers are always engaged for the occasion, and we hope the congregation numbers will increase from last month's...three.**



**Shrove Tuesday at All Saints'!**

**Next Sunday is Palm Sunday.**

**8.30 Said Eucharist with Blessing of Palms**

**10.30 Sung Eucharist with Blessing of Palms and Procession.**

**14.00 Palm Sunday sponsored walk in Villa Borghese**

**18.00 Alternative Worship: Service of contemporary music and preaching.**

**This will be followed the next day, Monday March 26<sup>th</sup>, by Sung Compline and address at 19.00.**

**Clocks go forward at 2 a.m. on Palm Sunday!**

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