

# The Sanctus

All Saints Anglican Church Bolingbrook, Illinois



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### THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS<sup>1</sup>

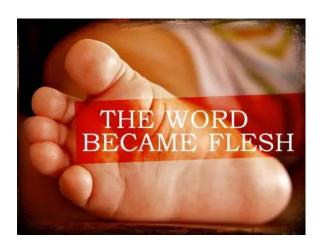
### **INTERPRETATION**

'The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.' - S. JOHN 1. 14

Man is a living spirit clothed in flesh. A word is a living thought clothed in language. When a great person has an idea, which he feels he ought to share with his generation, he clothes it in language, and it becomes something that men can understand, and so his word is given to his generation.

The great God had His thought - His thought about life, about men, about Himself. He willed to express it to us in a word that we could understand, and so the Blessed Son took our human nature, and God Himself was projected into this world in human form. The Word was made flesh. God has really spoken one word to our world. It is all summed up in the Holy Name of Jesus. As we say that Name, which is above every name, to ourselves, or contemplate in any way the Manger and the Cross, we hear the Word of God spoken to us and we know the thought of God. It is the genuine thought of God, clothed in language we can understand, the language of our human nature.

We might, if we were in a foreign town, see something written in a tongue we did not understand. Then if we found a friend who could interpret the unknown writing into our own language, it might be for us the beginning of an entry into a new experience, the understanding of minds other than our own. Our Lord Jesus Christ is the Friend Who has come from a land which has perhaps been foreign to us, the spiritual world. He interprets the language of heaven into our own tongue, and that may be the beginning of our understanding of the things of heaven.



"Meditations for Every Day", p. 248 Rev. Fr Andrew, S.D.C. (London, A.R. Mowbray & Co.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> August 7th

# The Rector's Ramblings



In this issue of the Sanctus, you will see a photograph from the Summer Session at St. Joseph of Arimathea Anglican Theological College. Four of our Postulants from the Diocese of the Atlantic States were able to attend. In addition to Samuel Talabi, there were two other Postulants for the Diaconate, Rich Goodwin and Steve Holley. Deacon Shannon Clark, a Postulate for the Priesthood, was our fourth Postulant. Also, from the Diocese were Bishop John Upham, Canon Ben Jones, and Fr. Greg Koon. While there are currently no students in residence at St. Joseph's, this Summer Session has become one of the main ways to educate men for Holy Orders.

It's hard to think of summer as being over, but with schools starting in August, it won't be long before Sunday School starts again. The start date is September 9, 2018. I want to thank our Church School Administrator, Jennifer Akinyemi, and her teachers for this most important work in training our young people.

The importance of Sunday School was brought home to me at my 50<sup>th</sup> high school reunion. On Sunday morning, 10 of us got together for a Bible Study. While we had a lesson planned, we ended up talking about how we got to be there on that Sunday morning. As one of the women said, "I know you must love the Lord, otherwise you wouldn't be here this morning. You would be in bed." All of us had similar stories, we had all attended church when we were younger. We had fallen away after we graduated high school and went to college. [Except for myself, I continued to go to church, but I was miserable when I was in church and felt guilt when I wasn't. Another guy said he had felt same way, but he didn't feel guilty when he stayed away!] The basic thought was that they knew about God, but they didn't know the Lord. Subsequently, they had been touched by Jesus and were now committed Christians.

At that point I asked for their prayers and asked what I could do as a minister to help my young parishioners to know the Lord since it seemed as if they had not been nourished when they were younger. The common response surprised me. They said they didn't regret any time they spent in church when they were kids. One person said, "That's where I learned the stories of the Bible. I wouldn't have known what they were otherwise." So, you see, Church School is important to the development of our young people as believing and loving Christians.

But here's the scary part. Most of the young people in the United States don't know the stories of the Bible. They have never heard of them. Why? Because their parents don't attend church. At the reunion one guy said, "My son had a roommate in college. They had watched the movie *The Passion of Christ*. After it was over, the roommate said 'No wonder the cross is so important to Christians.'" While it has been true that some parents dropped their children off at Sunday School and then went home. Thereby setting a bad example to their children, at least the kids heard about God. That's no longer true. I think the latest survey said the largest percentage of people identify as 'No religion.' In the Vestry we've talked about how to get new people to attend All Saints. Inviting your neighbors and friends is always a good thing. But, perhaps you should also invite their children to attend Church School. Their children need it.

### For Religious Education

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who hast committed to thy holy Church the care and nurture of thy children; Enlighten with thy wisdom those who teach and those who learn, that, rejoicing in the knowledge of thy truth, they may worship thee and serve thee from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

#### For Children

O Lord Jesus Christ, who dost embrace children with the arms of thy mercy, and dost make them living members of thy Church; Give them grace, we pray thee, to stand fast in thy faith, to obey thy word, and to abide in thy love; that, being made strong by thy Holy Spirit, they may resist temptation and overcome evil, and may rejoice in the life that now is, and dwell with thee in the life that is to come; through thy merits, O merciful Saviour, who with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest one God, world without end. *Amen*.

Until the next Sanctus, may God bless you. +Right Reverend Blair William Schultz Rector, Bishop Suffragan

# **Senior Warden Report**

Greetings from your senior warden.

Please visit the new Church website and take a stroll through all of the different areas. Did we miss something that would entice a visit from someone looking for a Church home? If you have questions or recommendations, please speak to Bob Oschman.

Our trapper has re-established the trap to the front door. Our hope is that we will be able to re-locate the family of skunks soon. Thus far skunks 2 – trapper 0.



You'll notice new latches on the inside of the Church doors to help us improve safety. They look a bit ungainly but will serve to keep unwanted individuals out in the unlikely event that we are waiting for the police to respond.

A reminder that our annual picnic is coming up on 5 August. Please plan to attend and enjoy the fellowship, food and games.

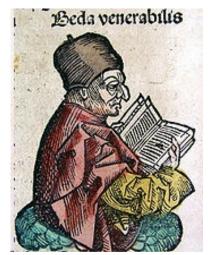
We are developing a new Welcome Package to hand out to visitors and should have the first couple of samples by mid-August. Please take a look at the contents and let us, the members of the Vestry, know what you think. We only get a couple of chances to make a lasting impression on a visitor, this one piece needs your opinions.

I look forward to seeing you all at Church.

Dan Brush Bishop's warden

> I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen: not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else.

> > C. S. Lewis



Depiction of the Venerable Bede (on CLVIIIv) from the Nuremberg Chronicle, 1493

# The Anglican Divines

The Anglican Divine I want to highlight in this issue of the Sanctus is St. Bede, who is commonly referred to as the Venerable Bede. Bede was born around 672 or 673 and died 26 May, 735. He was an English Benedictine monk in the Kingdom of Northumbria. At the age of seven he was given to the newly-founded monastery of Wearmouth. And when the monastery of Jarrow was founded in 682 he transferred to that abbey. Except for brief excursions to Lindisfarne and York, he spent the rest of his life at Jarrow, devoting himself to reading, teaching, and the explication of Scripture. Bede was ordained deacon when he was 19, and priest when he was 30. He died and was buried at Jarrow, but in the 11<sup>th</sup> century he was reburied in Durham Cathedral. His tomb can still be seen today next to the tomb of St. Cuthbert.

Bede's most famous work is the *Ecclesiastical History of the English People*. This work is one of the great works of medieval historiography and the single most important source of our understanding of early England. This work gained him the title of "The Father of English History." His other writings were extensive and included a number of Biblical commentaries. Another important area of study for Bede was the academic discipline of computus, otherwise . . . known as the science of calculating calendar dates. One of the more important dates Bede tried to compute was Easter, an effort which at that time was mired with controversy. He also helped establish the practice of dating forward from the birth of Christ (Anno Domini – in the year of our Lord), a practice which eventually became commonplace in medieval Europe. Bede was one of the greatest teachers and writers of the Early Middle Ages and is considered by many historians to be the single most important scholar of antiquity for the period between the death of Pope Gregory I in 604 and the coronation of Charlemagne in 800.

In 1899, Bede was declared a Doctor of the Church. He is the only native of Great Britain to achieve this designation; Anselm of Canterbury, also a Doctor of the Church, was originally from Italy. Bede was moreover a skilled linguist and translator, and his work made the Latin and Greek writings of the early Church Fathers much more accessible to his fellow Anglo-Saxons, which contributed significantly to English Christianity.

I have four books by the Venerable Bede, not only the *Ecclesiastical History of the English People*, but also *Homilies on the Gospels* (Books One and Two), and his *Commentary on the Seven Catholic Epistles* (*James*; 1 and 2 Peter; 1, 2, 3 John and Jude).

This prayer of St. Bede is from the *Ecclesiastical History*:

"I pray you, noble Jesus, that as you have graciously granted me joyfully to imbibe the words of your knowledge, so of your gracious goodness you will also allow me to come at length to you, the fount of all wisdom, and in your presence to dwell forever."

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# **Christian Proficiency**

In the last article, I went over the things that a Rule is not. To summarize: 1) a Rule is "embraced" not "promised". 2) It is wholly opposed to legalism. 3) It is neither artificial nor a burden, but the principle of civilized life. 4) The Breach of Rule is not sin. 5) The Rule is, and must always remain, variable. Now let's look at how to develop a Rule.

The first thing Martin Thornton says about developing your Rule is that "a private Rule should be made in consultation with a spiritual director. Rule is of essentially corporate significance and . . . according to Catholic [here meaning universal] tradition, a person who lived to his own Rule alone and without anyone else knowing anything about it" could hardly be called a Proficient Christian. At the very least, he says, a person should let another person know about his Rule and occasionally discuss it. Thornton then outlines the practical reasons why one should have a director. I'm not going into those.

Second, a "Rule should be, or should soon become, unobtrusive." The Rule "should 'fit', the soul should 'grow into it,' so that by habitual use prayer in its fullness becomes a solidly established part of life and personality." What this means is, your Rule should be as much a part of your daily life as eating and brushing your teeth. It's not obtrusive. It's part of your daily routine.

Third, "A Personal Rule should be as simple as is compatible with efficiency." In the following table you'll see a Rule set out in three columns. Notice column B is the same as column A, but in greater detail. And column C is but a further elaboration of column B. "The art of composing formal Rule is to omit as much detail as possible while assuring that nothing is left out of one's actual prayer life. In other words, all thirteen items of this table normally come into a balanced, healthy prayer life, but they need not formally be embodied in Rule." This, of course, is not an easy balance and it's a reason why one should have a spiritual director.

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A B C
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- I. OFFICE
- II. MASS
- III. PRIVATE PRAYER: 1. Mental Prayer
  - 2. Colloguy: a. Petition
    - b. Self-examination and Confession
    - c. Intercession
    - d. Thanksgiving ——(almsgiving)
    - e. Adoration
  - 3. Recollection——(fasting)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Martin Thornton, pp. 51, 52.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Thornton, p. 52.

 $<sup>^{3}</sup>Ibid.$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Thornton, p. 53.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Thornton, p. 21.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>Thornton, p. 53.

Fourth, "A good personal Rule should demand creative discipline without burden." Simply put, a "Rule should be neither too difficult nor too easy." A "Rule should be such that it is invariably kept without strain but occasionally makes a definite demand on the will." This will sometimes mean creative thinking on your part to fulfill your Rule. As an example, I have often said Evening Prayer in the parking lot of Allstate Arena before a concert I was attending.

This completes the discussion of the development of a Rule for your Christian life. Let me summarize: Your Rule needs to be based upon the Rule of the Church. There are three parts to the Rule of the Church: the Daily Office, Mass, and Private Prayer. Private Prayer is divided into three different types of prayer: Mental Prayer, Colloquy, and Recollection. All prayer must be done within the frame work of your Rule. You will not become a Proficient Christian unless you attend Mass, say the Office, and participate in Private Prayer. You may need help to formulate your Rule. That is, you may need a Spiritual Counselor, or director. I am available if you wish to discuss the formulation of a Rule of Life.

Fr. Thornton next discusses the topic of prayer. As you can imagine, he has much to say about prayer. In the next article, we'll begin talking about the different kinds of prayer.

<sup>7</sup> Thornton, p. 54.

<sup>8</sup>*Ibid* 

<sup>9</sup>Ibid



# **ALL SAINTS ANNUAL PICNIC**

Sunday, August 5<sup>th</sup>
following Mass
at the

DuPage River Park

**Everyone Welcome!** 

Vacation time offers the unique opportunity to pause before the thought-provoking spectacles of nature, a wonderful "book" within reach of everyone, adults and children. In contact with nature, a person rediscovers his correct dimension, rediscovers himself as a creature, small but at the same time unique, with a "capacity for God" because interiorly he is open to the Infinite.

Pope Benedict XVI

### **Treasurer's Report**

	June 2018	2018 Total
Income	\$15,682.00	\$70,904.00
Expenses	\$15,397.00	\$76,672.00
Difference	\$285.00	(\$5,768.00)

May and June are usually the months with the largest bills and this year has been no exception. In May we paid \$1,900 for mulch and reimbursed \$3,440 in Synod travel and accommodation costs for our delegates.

In June we paid the annual insurance bill, which was \$4,149, and paid \$1,129 to the Village of Bolingbrook for the annual fire alarm monitoring costs.

Pledge income was below average in May, but well above for June, so we currently have a deficit of \$5,768. In comparison at the end of June 2017, we had a deficit of \$2,830. We did not pay to upgrade our website or add mulch in 2017, which combined account for \$3,170 in costs this year.

Thank you for all your pledges, and flower and coffee hour donations so far in 2018.

Paul Drayton Treasurer

# **Anglican Church Women**

The ACW sponsors monthly luncheons/brunches usually held on the third Thursday of each month. The July luncheon was held at Bee Brothers Restaurant in Romeoville on Thursday, July 19. The August luncheon will be held at the Black Rock Bar & Grill on 75th Street in Naperville. The date for the August luncheon is Thursday, August 16 at 11:30. Please see the sign up sheet in the Narthex for date, time and venue for these monthly times of fellowship. All women and men of the parish are welcome to attend these gatherings.

The ACW supported the Ronald McDonald House Outreach Project by donating \$100 in gift cards. The ACW is also supporting the Backpack Outreach Project with a \$200 donation which will be used to purchase supplies for the backpacks.

At the July 8 meeting, the ACW voted to give postulant Samuel Talabi a gift of \$150 to help with expenses he incurred while attending required classes at the APCK seminary in California.

The Anglican Church Women meet on the second Sunday of each month following Mass. All women of the parish are encouraged to attend the meetings.

In His Service, Marcia Wilson ACW President

#### Outreach

School days are right around the corner! Ads for school supply sales are starting to appear in the paper. Fun, right? The Outreach annual Backpack Project is underway. We're asking the parish to purchase backpacks for school children in grades Kindergarten through Fifth. The Outreach Committee will purchase the required school supplies with Outreach funds. If you would prefer to donate toward the school supplies, you may place your donation in the collection plate labeled "Outreach Backpack Project". Last year we filled more than 40 backpacks thanks to your generosity. Please bring the backpacks to church by Sunday, July 29th. We will fill the backpacks on Sunday, August 5th during Mass. We need the assistance of all the children in the parish for this big job.

Our donation to the Ronald McDonald House in Winfield was thankfully received. Your generosity provided much-needed supplies and gift cards for the guests. They were especially thankful because summertime donations are a little sparse.





Outreach information may be found on the bulletin board outside the library. Our upcoming projects include Winter Outerwear, Mitten Tree and the Giving Tree Project. We will provide updates as information is available.

Your Outreach Committee
Deacon Wilson, Libby Bolton, Carol O'Sullivan, Sue Ross and Will Spencer



Attention Children!

Church School
begins
September 9<sup>th</sup> 2018

Bishop Schultz will Bless the children and teachers during Mass

# **Church Library**

The summer reading display is up! A selection of fiction and some other light reading is on display on the top two shelves in the bookcase nearest the door to the library. Just take them from the display and check them out if you would like to read any of them.

If you haven't been to Mitford, or haven't been recently, Jan Karon's series is highly recommended, by members of our own parish. You will fall in love with all of the characters, especially Father Tim. The series is about an episcopal priest living in a small town, Mitford, North Carolina.

Phillip Gulley also has a series set in the small town of Harmony, Indiana about a Quaker pastor. You will laugh, guaranteed!

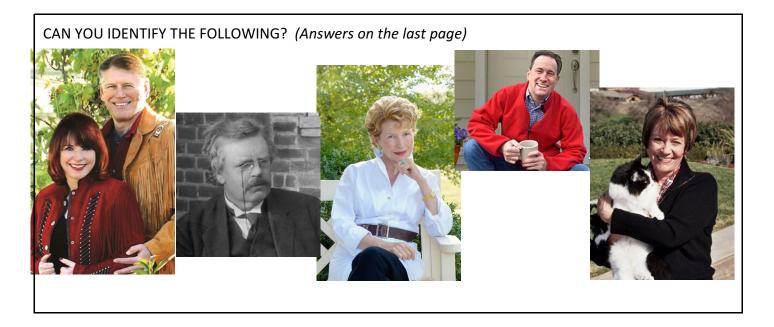
Into historical fiction? Want more intrigue and suspense? Try the two highly acclaimed series surrounding World War II and the establishment of the state of Israel. The Zion Covenant series contains six books and the Zion Chronicle series contains five books. They are by Bodie and Brock Theone.

How about some mysteries? Have you been meaning to read *The Complete Father Brown Stories*? Did you get to *The Magdalene Mystery* by Christine Sunderland? Another book by this author has been added to our collection specifically you this summer: *The Fire Trail*. Like *The Magdalene Mystery*, it leaves you with lots to think about. As a note of interest, Christine Sunderland is a member of Anglican Province of Christ the King.

I love questions, comments and suggestions. Please contact me.

Happy reading!

Sue Peterson
Parish Librarian



# **Summer Session at the Seminary**



Those attending the first week of the summer session (Unfortunately I can't identify everyone in the picture.) Back row, third person from left: Fr. Greg Koon, Bishop John Upham, Fr. Matt Weber, Deacon Shannon Clark, Canon Ben Jones.

Middle row, from left: Postulant Rich Goodwin, Fr. Paul Russell, Postulant Steven Holley, Postulant Glen Karcher, Fr. David Napier

Front row, center: Postulant Samuel Talabi

#### From the Editors

The Sanctus is published six times a year in January, March, May, July, October and November. Contributions from all members of the Parish are welcome. The deadline for submitting articles. photographs, announcements etc is the Tuesday which follows the Vestry meeting (i.e. the third Tuesday usually) of those months.

If you have any questions, comments, suggestions or wish to contribute in any way please contact Sandy Spencer. Announcements, articles and/or photographs for inclusion can be submitted as an attachment or in an email to <a href="mailto:sc.spencer@yahoo.com">sc.spencer@yahoo.com</a> or by hard copy.

Thank you!

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Bishop Schultz, Sandy Spencer and Marcia Wilson

All life is made up of relationships. The very life of God is a pattern of perfect relationships—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. All the beautiful things in life are the beauty of lovely relationships, all the tragedies of life are the tragedies of wrong relationships, and all the problems of life are the problems of relationships. The key and clue to it all is the relationship to God.

Fr. Andrew

### **Dates and Events to Remember**

### **SERVICES**

(except where indicated)
Sunday mornings at 9:30 am - Holy Eucharist
Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm - Mass
Fridays are days of Abstinence

#### **AUGUST**

Sunday, August 5<sup>th</sup> - **Trinity 10** 

**Annual Parish Picnic follows Mass** 

Monday, August 6<sup>th</sup> - Transfiguration of Our Lord

Sunday, August 12th - Trinity 11

ACM & ACW meetings

Thursday, August 16<sup>th</sup>

ACW Luncheon - see Narthex for details

All welcome

Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup> - **Trinity 12** 

Vestry meeting

Friday, August 24<sup>th</sup> - **St Bartholomew** 

Sunday, August 26th - Trinity 13

#### **SEPTEMBER**

Ember Days are days of fasting and abstinence

Sunday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> - **Trinity 14** 

Monday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> - *Labor Day* 

Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>

7:00 Quarterly Healing Mass

Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup> - Trinity 15

Church School begins - Canon Schultz will Bless

the teachers and students during Mass

ACM & ACW meetings

Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> - Trinity 16

Vestry meeting

Thursday, September 20<sup>th</sup>

ACW Luncheon - see Narthex for details

All welcome

September 19<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> are **Fall Ember Days** 

Friday, September 21st - **St Matthew** 

1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of Bishop Schultz' Consecration

Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> - **Trinity 17** 

Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup> - St Michael and All Angels

Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup> - Trinity 18

Morning Prayer followed by Holy Communion

The authors pictured are: (left to right)

Bodie and Brock Theone, G.K. Chesterton, Jan Karon,

Phillip Gulley and Christine Sunderland

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# **All Saints Anglican Church**

All Saints is a parish in the Anglican Province of Christ the King, a nationwide body of traditional Anglican churches dedicated to the Anglo-Catholic Faith and traditional Episcopal liturgy using the 1928 Book of Common Prayer as the basis of our worship.

For more information visit:

www.anglicanpck.org or www.allsaintsanglicanparish.org

If you are seeking a church home we welcome you into our spiritual family as together we seek to uphold our Christian duties to "follow Christ, worship God every Sunday in his Church; and to work and pray and give for the spread of His kingdom" (B.C.P. p 291)