

2019 St Gabriel's Year of Invitation

St Gabriel's Church, Aldersbrook

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Weekly Newsletter Sunday 10th February

8.30am Holy Communion
Celebrant Fr. Martyn Hawkes

10.00am Parish Eucharist
Celebrant Fr. Chris Smaling
Preacher Fr. Mark Kenny
Deacon Fr. Martyn Hawkes

11.40am PCC meeting after church
upstairs in the hall today.
If anyone can help out with coffee, a
couple of PCC members are down to
do that & would be grateful for help.

5pm Evensong
Preacher Fr. Martyn Hawkes

This Week

Wednesday

11.00 am Holy Communion
Church will be open from 10.45am
by main doors

Morning & Evening Prayer

Morning prayer in the vicarage:
Mon 10 am & Tue – Thu 8am
Evening prayer in church:
Mon - Thur 5pm

Church Painting Continues

We're pleased with the work done
so far – hoping that they may have
completed by the end of next week.
Hopefully this will be the only week
we'll need to worship in this
configuration.

Access to the church will be limited
to the following:

Monday morning stay and play 9 –
10.30am: entrance from the vicarage
garden

Wednesday for the service only –
see above

Thursday Connections for older
people 10 – 11.30am: entrance from
the vicarage garden

**Any other access please speak to
Fr Martyn to arrange**

Items for weekly notices need to
be submitted by Thursday evening.
(sarabertrand47@gmail.com)

Tuesday 12th February

7pm – Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament followed by Eucharist.

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8pm – Communications – a brief but
important update meeting in church.

Saturday 16th February

St Mary's Church, Wanstead –
monthly open house –all day. See
poster for details - includes a vocal
masterclass, so do pop in and enjoy.

Parish Retreat at Pleshey

3rd to 5th May – numbers are low at
the moment. Do please sign up to
come ASAP, so we know how many
places we need to fill.

Book Club

The book club will meet next on
Thursday 28th February at 8pm to
discuss *Their Eyes were watching
God* by Zora Neale Hurston

Saturday 2nd March

Charity Coffee morning in Church
Any local charities or community
groups that might like a free table to
raise funds and/or their profile
please put them in touch with Ron.

Sunday 3rd March

Transfiguration service at 5.30pm -
contemporary worship songs &
liturgy for all ages with musicians
from our MMU. St Mary's,
Woodford. Give it a try! Any
interested musicians welcome –
rehearsals on 17th, 24th February &
before the service on 3rd March but
let Martyn know.

Saturday 16th March

7.30pm – Quiz night in the bowls
club to raise money for Contact the
Elderly and Friends of Wanstead
Parklands. £6 per person, tables of 8
– see Ron if you'd like to join a St
Gabriel's table.

Foodbank Update

Thank you again for your continuing
generosity. Redbridge Foodbank
have updated their website with
plenty of information, including a
'real time' list of items that are
particularly needed & other ways
you can help - keep checking each
week as the situation changes! Helen

Spring Magazine Time

We'd like to get the magazine out
earlier this year, so please talk to
Anne Dixon about articles you
would like to write? Deadline is 23rd
March, 200 or 400 words. Thanks!

Lent... is not for a while, but just to
whet your appetite:

Book club: *Celtic Lent* by David
Cole (discussion in Easter season)
Lent Groups will explore the small
group studies by Inclusive Church
on themes including mental health,
disability & ethnicity. Sign up sheets
next week.

The first Youth Lent group on
Sundays after church, 12 noon over
pizza starting a bit before Lent on
Sunday 24th February exploring the
film *The Greatest Showman*
A Lent Quiet Day: Saturday 23rd
March 10 – 3pm at St Andrew's,
Leytonstone
Lots to look forward to (Ash
Wednesday is March 6th this year)

Social Events

Hold the Date – **Saturday 11th May**
for a Gala Evening in Church. Plans
still being hatched for this and more
information to come but it will be
fabulous. If you are able to help in
the planning there will be a short
meeting in the Vicarage 8:30pm
Monday to flesh it out further.

Martyn has been invited to take on
the role of Area Dean for Redbridge.
Please pray for him (and the
deanery!). His induction will be
Monday 25th February at Deanery
Synod, St Mary's Ilford.

For Our Prayers

Those who are sick:

Shirley Adshead, Madeleine Arnold,
Mark Arnold, Frances Bonnick,
Pauline Duncombe, Peter Ellis,
Maureen Kenyon, Phyllis Lehreman,
Jacqueline McNie, John Mitchell,
Comfort Owusu Ansah, Carol
Perryman, Maija Pettit, Christine
Shannon, Norma Stevenson, Prue
Tribe, Cynthia Williams & Johnno
Woods

For those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time:

Oliver Joseph, Ellen Galer