

## 2019 St Gabriel's Year of Invitation

### St Gabriel's Church, Aldersbrook

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#### Weekly Newsletter

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March  
Mothering Sunday

8.30am Holy Communion  
*Celebrant* Fr. Martyn Hawkes

10.00am Parish Eucharist  
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(739, 382, 631, 939, 37)

We warmly welcome the uniformed groups and families to the service this morning. Please do take a postcard home with the Holy week and Easter services at St Gabriel's.

12 noon - Young people's Lent group upstairs

This Week

#### Wednesday

11am Holy Communion

#### Morning & Evening Prayer

Morning prayer:

Mon 10.45am & Tue – Thu 8am  
Evening prayer: Mon - Thur 5pm

#### Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April

Stay and Play 9 – 10.30am:

#### Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April

Connections for older people 10 – 11.30am.

#### Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April

The South West Essex Choir  
Concert here in church at 7.30pm.  
Rossini - petite messe solennelle.  
Tickets £14 in advance, see Margaret Filer, or £16 on the door.

#### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April

Passiontide Evening Service – choral devotion. Time TBC.

#### Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April

7.30pm in the Church Hall. Film screening of After the Flood – to open a discussion about climate change, and to what we can do.

#### Electoral Roll Revision

Today is the last opportunity to fill in an electoral roll form before the roll is temporarily closed before the APCM. Regular attenders who live outside the parish and those who reside in the parish and feel that this is their church are eligible to join. Forms can be returned after today but will not be added to the role until after the 14<sup>th</sup> April.

#### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April

Annual Meeting after church. We need to appoint new PCC members to the committee to help oversee church life & direction. It's open to everyone on the electoral roll... so sign up and join up!

#### St Gabriel's Charity Giving

There is a sheet explaining our charity giving which is being reviewed for the coming year. Do please nominate charities and place the forms in the box by the door asap.

#### Confirmation

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 4pm at Christ Church Wanstead. We are planning to run a youth group after Easter. Adult classes will run after Easter separately. See Fr Martyn for more details.

#### Foodbank Update

Not long now till Easter, so let's crank it up a gear! If you buy an Easter egg for someone this week when you're out shopping, can you put another one in your trolley for the foodbank? Thanks! Helen and the team.

#### Save the dates:

Christian Aid Week 12th - 18th May. House to house collection raising money while reaching out to our community & neighbours. Circle the City 19th May - London 1pm to 5.30pm. A family friendly fundraising walk.

For more details see Sue Mutter

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

#### Banking change

The PCC has proposed changing banks. Could all current PCC members speak to Ken and fill in a form as trustees for this important change asap.

#### Postcard Delivery

Please take a bundle for your street (or a street you are willing to do), if you can, and sign against it on the sheet so that we know we have covered the parish.

#### Lent course

The 2 Lent courses continue on Wednesday at 12 noon and Thursday at 7.45pm, both at church.

Each week has a different topic so you can attend as many as you can.

#### St Gabriel's Celebration Dinner

This is confirmed to be taking place on Saturday 11th May! Tickets will cost £25 for a delicious meal: home-cooked pie, mash and vegetables, selection of desserts – music through the evening & a band to dance to at the end.

Please do invite people & get tickets as soon as possible to assist with our planning. A sign-up sheet will be at the back of church and in the hall.

#### For Our Prayers

##### Those who are sick:

Madeleine Arnold, Mark Arnold, Frances Bonnick, Ann Brown, Victor Christie, Pauline Duncombe, Peter Ellis, Maureen Kenyon, Phyllis Lehreman, Jacqueline McNie, John Mitchell, Comfort Owusu Ansah, Carol Perryman, Pat Pratley, Christine Shannon, Norma Stevenson, Prue Tribe, Cynthia Williams, Jean Winstone & Johnno Woods

##### For the recently departed:

Audrey Vernell

##### and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time:

John Bertrand, Michel Glautier, Kathy Christie, Joe Watts