# 2019 St Gabriel's Year of Invitation

# St Gabriel's Church, Aldersbrook

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Weekly Newsletter Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May Easter 6

8.30am Holy Communion *Celebrant* Revd Dr Liz Horwell

10.00am Parish Eucharist *Celebrant* Revd Dr Liz Horwell (398, 84, 340, 554, 503)

A delight to welcome back Revd Liz who led our parish retreat so well a few weeks back

All the regular clergy are on leave this week!

#### This Week

#### Wednesday

11am Holy Communion *Celebrant* Fr Stephen Pugh

# No Morning & Evening Prayer this week

# Monday 27th May

No Stay & Play during half term

# Tuesday 28th May

8pm Contemplative prayer

# Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May

10 – 11.30am Connections coffee morning

# Sunday 23rd June

Soup Lunch to support Diocesan Lent Appeal

# Sunday 9th June

First communion celebration and parish picnic on Wanstead Flats:

#### **Christian Aid Week**

Many thanks to everyone who supported Christian Aid Week this year. We hope to be able to give you an update on the funds raised this year in the near future.

# **New Envelopes and Gift Aid**

New Planned Giving Envelopes for those already signed up for this way of giving are available for collection at the back of church. If you would like to sign up for the Envelope scheme there are forms at the back of church to complete. If you would like to set up a standing order instead then there is another form for that! In addition we are in the process of refreshing all our gift aid declarations so there are letters with new declarations forms also at the back of church. If you do not find a letter in your name but would like to gift aid your donations to St Gabriel's then there are blank declaration forms available.

#### More forms available.

Anyone who did not complete an electoral roll form prior to the AGM can do so now if you wish. If you do not wish to join the electoral roll but would like us to keep in touch with you then please complete the separate version of the Consent form. This will allow us to include you on future communication plans. At present all forms should be returned to Sara Bertrand. All information on those forms will be treated confidentially.

# Foodbank Update

We took another whole car load to the foodbank this weekend. You people are amazing! Keep up the good work. Thank you, Helen and the team.

# St Gabriel's PCC Update

On Tuesday, amongst other things, the PCC agreed that in the light of Parliament declaring a climate emergency St Gabriel's would commit to exploring with urgency the aim of becoming net carbon neutral by 2030. Look out for opportunities to get involved!

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

#### **New Flower Rota**

A new rota is now available – please add your name to arrange flowers on a week or two.

Thank You.

# Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May Ascension Day

Our MMU service for Ascension is at Holy Trinity, Hermon Hill at 8pm. A mixed choir is rehearsing at 7pm for any who would like to join in.

There will also be a Communion service at Snaresbrook Crown Court at 1.25pm

From Ascension to Pentecost we are called to pray intentionally for the coming of the Kingdom. There is a youth event as part of this season on Friday 7th June at St Laurence Barkingside 8pm. Youth and those with a heart for youth are invited. There is room for two more with Fr Martyn if you'd like to be there. Police rep. and local MP Wes Streeting will be there.

# **Holiday Club 2019**

Forms are now available at the back of church for the week: 30<sup>th</sup> July to 2<sup>nd</sup> August.

# For Our Prayers

#### Those who are sick:

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

# For the recently departed

Lyfos Ambrose

and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time:

Sybil Rigby, Wendy Christian, Edith Spittle