

## 2019 St Gabriel's Year of Invitation

### St Gabriel's Church, Aldersbrook

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#### Weekly Newsletter Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September

8.30am Holy Communion  
*Celebrant* Fr. Martyn Hawkes

10.00am Parish Eucharist  
*Celebrant* Fr. Chris Smaling  
*Preacher* Fr. Martyn Hawkes  
(552, 375, 337, 434, 565)

5pm Evensong

#### This Week

#### **Wednesday**

11am Holy Communion

#### **Morning & Evening Prayer**

Morning prayer 8am Mon – Thur  
Evening prayer 5pm: Mon – Thur

#### **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September**

9am – 10:30am Stay and Play

#### **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September**

10 – 11.30am Connections Coffee morning with free 'Tai Chi' exercises between 10:15 - 11:15am.

#### **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September**

7.30pm Screening of BBC1 documentary Climate Change: The Facts, upstairs in the church hall, followed by discussion. Plenty of ideas to help you decide for yourself how you could engage with the crisis.

#### **Spiritual Book Club**

The meeting on 19th September is postponed. A new date will be arranged as soon as we can.

#### **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October**

Harvest Festival and Environment Sunday  
4pm Pet Blessing Service on the Flats

#### **Next Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**

We will with sadness be saying farewell to our churchwarden and friend Suzanne Thomas who is leaving for the far shores of Antigua. There will be refreshments in church after the service where we can raise a glass and say thanks for all she has contributed to St Gabriel's over so many years.

#### **Next Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**

We also welcome Margaret Sula Veblen McArthur and family friends and godparents for her baptism

**Next Friday** is an international day of action for the climate.

There are lots of ways to be involved, but if you'd like to join a bike ride into London that day see Martyn or arrive at St Gabriel's 9.50am to head off to join the larger ride.

A candle remains lit in the side chapel of church (a broken piece of last year's paschal candle) to encourage us to hold that climate crisis in our prayers.

#### **Study groups on the Environment**

4 week course – starting Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 12 – 1pm and Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct 7.45pm  
Reflection, bible study and action for the Climate.

#### **Foodbank Update**

Citizens Advice say that 45% of households, with children, claiming benefits went without essentials such as food and toiletries in the last 12 months. Reports like this serve to underline how important our contributions to the foodbank are. Thank you for all you do, Helen and the team.

#### **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September**

7.30pm Redbridge Brass Concert  
A Night at the Opera.  
£10 tickets online - see poster.

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

#### **Ride and Stride**

Thanks for those who have sponsored the Ride and Stride which took place yesterday – if you'd like to support St Gabriel's and other churches through this means it's not too late to donate!

#### **Stewardship September**

We continue our season on Stewardship today. Don't forget to reflect, pray and return your responses by Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September when we will bless and give thanks for all our stewardship offerings at St Gabriel's Patronal Festival. Next Sunday will also be a stewardship fair: an opportunity to browse and explore roles and ministries at St Gabriel's and ask questions of those who lead in those areas, or express an interest in finding out more.

#### **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September**

Patronal Festival and Lunch, and stewardship celebration

#### **For Our Prayers**

##### **Those who are sick:**

Madeleine Arnold, Mark Arnold, Peter Baker, Frances Bonnick, Ann Brown, Victor Christie, Pauline Duncombe, Peter Ellis, Phyllis Lehreman, Jacqueline McNie, John Mitchell, Comfort Owusu Ansah, Pat Pratley, Christine Shannon, Norma Stevenson, Cynthia Williams, Jean Winstone Johnno Woods & 7 year old Oliver

##### **For the recently departed:**

Doris De-Vall, Jeanne Thorpe-Tracey

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

Sue Harry, Robert Collings Snr., Roy Plumbley, Emily Starling, John Dixon