

2019 St Gabriel's Year of Invitation

St Gabriel's Church, Aldersbrook

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Weekly Newsletter
Sunday 15th December
Advent 3

8.30am Holy Communion
Celebrant Fr. Martyn Hawkes

10.00am Parish Eucharist
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(282, 613, 646, 83, 687)

This Week

Wednesday

11am Holy Communion

Morning & Evening Prayer

Morning prayer 11am Monday and
8.30am Tue – Thur
Evening prayer 5pm: Mon – Thur

Monday

9am – 10:30am Stay and Play

Tue – Fri Aldersbrook School

Christmas concerts from 9am –
10.30 and 1.30 – 2.30pm.

Thursday

10 – 11.30am Connections Coffee

Thursday

No Tai Chi this week

Advance Date Update

The 2020 Burns Night will be on
the 18th January. Please let
Caroline Ferguson know if you
would like to reserve a place –
more details will follow.

Extra Carol Singing: We've been
welcomed back to Hayter Court to
sing carols with them on
Wednesday 18th December at
3.30pm. For those who can't
manage the evening, or those who
just like singing, do come along!

Carol Singing round the Parish

Wed 18th and Thu 19th December
7pm – please sign up to come and
sing with us as we raise funds for
the Children's Society and bring
cheer to the neighbourhood.
Collectors and singers needed and
children most welcome too!

Christmas Services

Christingle Service

6.30pm Friday 20th December

Carol Service

6pm Sunday 22nd December

Nativity Service

4.00pm 24th December

Midnight Mass

11.30pm 24th December

Christmas Day

10.00am 25th December

Refugee Welcome

St Gabriel's has agreed to support
a Home Office scheme providing a
new start for a Syrian Refugee
Family in Wanstead. This is a
major community venture and
requires a core group of volunteers
to prepare the ground. We need 2
volunteers for the group who will
meet monthly to plan and progress
the scheme.

Foodbank Update

Many thanks for all the
contributions to our special
Christmas collection for the
foodbank. We have 4 boxes round
the font during Advent, but if you
would prefer to make other
donations then there is a box in the
porch as usual. Helen and the
team.

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

Christmas Market

Another big thank you to everyone
involved. We raised over £4,500!
with money still trickling in.

Flowers for Christmas

All welcome to come along on
Christmas Eve from 10am to help
arrange flowers for Christmas.
Bring your own flowers in
Christmas colours. As Claire B
will be away Anne Bertrand will
be leading this for the last time.

Deanery congress

Bishop Peter has invited all
interested church members, as well
as Deanery synod members, to
attend a meeting setting out the
challenges and opportunities of the
financial situation of Chelmsford
Diocese. The meeting is tomorrow
Mon 16th December at 7.30pm at
St Margaret, Ilford

For Our Prayers

Those who are sick:

Madeleine Arnold, Mark Arnold,
Frances Bonnick, Ann Brown,
Victor Christie, Pauline
Duncombe, Peter Ellis, Eileen
Galer, Phyllis Lehreman,
Jacqueline McNie, John Mitchell,
Comfort Owusu Ansah, Christine
Shannon, Bill Starling, Norma
Stevenson, Revd Pat Wallson,
Cynthia Williams, Jean Winstone
& Johnno Woods

For the recently departed

Evadne Muirhead

and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time:

Arthur Filer