

St Gabriel's Church,  
Aldersbrook  
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Weekly Newsletter

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> January  
**Epiphany**

10am Parish Eucharist  
*Celebrant* Fr. Martyn Hawkes

This Week

### **Evening Prayer**

Tuesday to Thursday  
in person and on online  
Friday - On zoom only

### **Open Church**

10 - 12noon Open for private  
prayer on Tuesday and Thursday

### **Tuesdays**

Knit and Natter hope to restart on  
11<sup>th</sup> January 2022

### **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January**

7.30pm Standing Committee  
(zoom and in-person)

### **Wednesdays**

9.30 am Weekly Prayer Hour

11am Holy Communion

### **Thursdays**

Tai Chi will resume again in the  
New Year. Please see Amelia for  
restart date

12.30 - 2pm Meditation and  
Reflection in church followed by  
tea and coffee. You are welcome  
to bring your lunch. Contact  
Lesley or Heather for restart date.

### **Pastoral Care**

If there are urgent pastoral care  
needs or concerns please call  
07743 785884 and leave a  
message.

### **Carol Singing in the Parish**

Carol Singing: what an amazing  
response: we have smashed the  
previous record of last year by  
raising over £1400. Together with  
Christingle offering we will be  
donating just over £1,550 to The  
Children's Society. Huge thanks to  
all who participated and supported  
from church & wider community.

### **Children Society Boxes**

If anyone still has a Children  
Society Box then please bring  
them in to Margaret Filer as soon  
as possible. If you would like to  
have one of these Boxes please  
speak to Margaret.

### **Spiritual Book Club**

'The Whole Christmas Story' by Jo  
Swinney is the chosen book for  
Advent. We will be meeting on  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January to discuss it.

### **Burns Night Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> January**

Keep the date free. More details to  
follow.

### **Foodbank Update**

Thank you as always for your  
support and generosity. Helen and  
the team.

### **In memory of Adam Watts**

Many of you will be aware of  
hector and Anita's very sad news  
of the death of their son Adam.  
There is a crowdfunding site set up  
to assist the family at this time:  
<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/InmemoryofAdamWatts>

Recommendation from Fr. Martyn  
and PCC in absence of guidance  
from Church of England  
*Masks are now mandatory for all  
over secondary age in church  
services where social distancing  
cannot be maintained unless  
exempt. This would apply to the  
10am service except when reading  
or leading worship and the choir  
who are able to maintain 2m  
distancing.*

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

### **For Our Prayers**

#### **For those who are sick:**

Mr Ali, Mim Bonin, Frances  
Bonnick, Karl Brooks, Ann  
Brown, Jane Chesters, Ray Dyke,  
Evangeline Ekanayake, Peter Ellis,  
Joyce Filer, Ray Green, Martin  
Griffiths, Gaya Jayasooriya, Philip  
Jones, Phyllis Lehreman, John  
Mitchell, George Moule, Iain  
Palfreman, Jean Salter, Christine  
Shannon, Hasumati Sonagara,  
Thelma Thomas, Revd Pat  
Wallson, Mary Watts, Rubecca  
Williams, Johnno Woods & Karl.

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

Adam Watts, Mary Enright, Farida  
Beverly, Allan Tuffin  
**and those whose anniversaries  
occur at this time**  
Ken Ames, Alan Blanking, Susan  
Garrett, Patrick Brownfield, Harry  
Parkin