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> Weekly Newsletter Sunday 19th January Epiphany 2

10.00am Parish Eucharist Celebrant: Rev. Canon Martyn Hawkes 636, 314, 686, (304), 580

Unfortunately, due to a pastoral situation, Fr Alex will need to be at St Peter's this morning, so Fr Martyn will be at St Gabriel's today.

This Week

Evening Prayer

5pm Monday to Thursday on Zoom & in church.

Tuesday

10-12 Open Church

Afternoon Social Group will be at The Golden Fleece this week. Speak to Ron Filer for more details

Wednesday

11am Holy Communion 12 noon The Preschool Play Group 3.30 After School club

Thursday

10:00 - 11:45 am Open Church 10:15 - 11:15 am Tai Chi in church 11:45am – 1pm. Meditation and Reflection in church 1 - 2.15pm Yoga class in church.

Saturday

12 - 1pm Open church Saturday Organ music and an invitation to stay, listen, talk, pray. All welcome!

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

Messy Church is back for 2025!

Our dates are Saturday 1st February, Saturday 10th May, Sunday 7th September (a Sunday for a trial run) and Saturday 15th November.

All volunteers are gratefully welcomed to either lead or help with table activities or with the food. We'd like to offer some art activities tailored more towards adults so if you have ideas or time to share please get in touch with Clare! www.families@gmail.com or 07986 180 230.

Tuesday 4th February

It's back! The Mens' curry club (MCC). starting at 7pm at the North Star and then 7.45pm in the Star of India. Please can you let Kevin know if interested.

All-Age Bible Reading Group

We have started our journey through the Gospel of Matthew. Online monthly meetings will be held via Zoom. Everyone is welcome! Speak to Henry for more information.

1st Sunday All-Age Choir

We love to share the joy of ensemble singing with you! Nonaudition and friendly choir; welcome singers of all voices! Give it a go? Speak to Fr Martyn/Gigi.

Used Stamps

Thank you to everyone who brought in their used stamps. A batch has been sent off now to the animal charity. Please continue to bring your used stamps to church to put in the box at the back. Thank you. Sue Maudsley

Foodbank Update

Thank you for your continued generosity to the foodbank & Tin in a Bin. Please continue to do what you can, knowing every single item is desperately needed. Thank you. Helen and the team.

Next Sunday 26th January

5pm Said Evensong with music for reflection

Saturday 25th January

Don't forget Burns Night
Tickets still available from sumup:
£17 for adults and £10 for primary
school aged children plus raffle
tickets https://st-gabrielschurch.sumupstore.com/products
Doors open 7pm for a prompt
7.30pm start.

Please let Caroline know (07900 516868) if you're available to help with setting up on the Friday evening and/or cooking and mashing potatoes/swede. Bring your own drinks as we don't run a bar at this event.

Spiritual book club

Our next book club will take place on Monday 10th February at 8pm at the vicarage. We will be discussing 'Women of the Nativity' by Paula Gooder and 'Orbital' by Samantha Harvey.

For Our Prayers

For those who are sick:

Martin Anderson, Eva Baker, Michelle Baker, Ann Brown, Ursula Christie, Joyce Demetriou, Brenda Elliott, Peter Ellis, Eileen Galer, Martin Griffiths, Kelly Harmsworth, Faye Jackman, Janis Lalor, Jack Lewis, Olive Macauley, John Mitchell, Marie Norman, William Starling, Mary Watts & those on the Prayer Board

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Albert Beare, William Ferguson, Gladys Pattullo, Aubrey "Ginger" Christie, Bill Starling Snr, Ralph Christian, Noony Teal