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> Weekly Newsletter Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June

10.00am Parish Eucharist Celebrant: Rev. Canon Martyn Hawkes 105, 281, 29, (56), 572

11.30am PCC meeting upstairs in the church hall

#### This Week

#### **Evening Prayer**

5pm Monday to Thursday on Zoom & in church. No evening prayer on Friday this week.

Aldersbrook School year 6 performance rehearsals in church: Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 9am - 3pm

# Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June

10-12 Open Church 1.30pm-3.30pm Afternoon Social Group in church 7pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

7.30 for 8pm Swearing in of the new churchwardens at Christ Church Wanstead.
Rachel and Kevin are legally sworn in for the coming year, and David officially steps down.

#### Wednesday

9.30am Prayer Group 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. (<u>sarabertrand47@gmail.com</u>)

### Christian Aid 2024 Update

Updated figure now over £1,800 raised this year. Well done everyone.

# **Parish Magazine**

The new parish magazine is out! Many thanks to Chris, Teresa, & Nick for bringing this to us and to all the contributors. If you are able distribute to a street in the parish please take a bundle & sign against the street you are taking it for.

# Tuesday 11th June

7.00pm Bereavement Group at Christchurch Wanstead, for those experiencing loss who would prefer an evening meeting

### Saturday 15th June

Aldersbrook Jumble Trail 10am-4pm. Fr Martyn has to be at Diocesan Synod next Saturday morning, so any help setting up & staffing the St Gabriel's stall will be essential. Please speak to Martyn today if you can offer time, in particular between 10 & 2pm. We are also taking the opportunity to do some clearing away of unneeded items in church - if you are available Mon or Tues this week to help sorting and sifting please also let Martyn know.

#### Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

Open Garden Event Caroline Ferguson is opening her garden at 16 Tennyson Avenue, E11 2QN, from 12 noon to 3pm Entry will be £1, which includes one tea/coffee/soft drink. Then refreshments of tea/coffee/soft drinks and a selection of cakes will be available for folks to buy.

### Monday 8th July

The next book that the Book Club will be reading is 'Silence' by Shusako Endo. We'll be meeting at the vicarage on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July. Newcomers are welcome.

#### **Foodbank Update**

Thanks to all at St Gabriel's for your generosity each week. Your donations to the Foodbank are so vital and give hope to those who are struggling at the moment. Helen and the team.

# Next Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June

1.15pm Summer Pupils' Concert. Please support this concert so we can maintain our lovely organ. Donations can be made after the concert or in advance if you cannot make it on the day. Thank you. Amy, Kerry & John.

### Saturday 19th October

Quiet away-Day at The Friars, Aylesford Priory A sign-up sheet to indicate your interest in a day away on the theme of 'life in all its fullness'. Cost £22, to include a buffet lunch and tea and coffee. Transport will be car-share, or public transport.

#### Holiday Club 2024.

July 23<sup>rd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>. This years' theme is Joy! We are looking for volunteer leaders & young leaders as well as members of the steering and creative groups to start working on the event. If you can help, please speak to Anthony or Clare, wwa.families@gmail.com / 07986180230 for more information.

#### For Our Prayers

Julie and Ian, following the death of Julie's father Keith this past week.

Archdeacon Elwin and his wife Sue, following his announcement this week that he will be retiring in September.

#### For those who are sick:

Mr Ali, Eva and Peter Baker, Joyce Demetriou, Peter Ellis, Margaret Filer, Eileen Galer, Martin Griffiths, Kelly Harmsworth, Sylvia Hawkes, Faye Jackman, Janis Lalor, Jack Lewis, Olive Macauley, Milosh, John Mitchell, Marie Norman, Bibi Rahman, Mary Watts & those on the Prayer Board

**For the recently departed:** Keith Robinson

and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Ron Spicer, Edith Smeed, Geoffrey Galer