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> Weekly Newsletter Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April

10am Parish Eucharist Celebrant Fr Martyn Hawkes 9, 475, 408, (82), 503

11.30am PCC Meeting upstairs in the hall after the service

3.30pm Service at Chelmsford Cathedral, where Fr Martyn will be installed as Canon All are welcome.

## This Week

## Sunday 28th April

3pm Brook Brass concert in church

## **Evening Prayer**

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

# Tuesday 30th April

10-12 Open Church 1.30pm-3.30pm Afternoon Social Group in church 7.30pm MMU Meeting at Christ Church, Wanstead

### 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!

## Foodbank Update

Stocks at Tin in a Bin are running very low at the moment, which means it is hard to fulfil the commitments to various foodbanks and charities. If everyone at St Gabriel's was to bring just one tin every week, it would make a huge difference! Please do what you can. Many thanks. Helen and the team.

# Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May

Messy Church - with a theme of Growing. We will be influenced by Spring, nature and the fruits of the spirit from Paul's letter to the Galatians. For more information contact Clare 07986 180 230 or wwa.families@gmail.com

# Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May

8pm Gig Night Big Bad Wolf -'chill out music with verve' £7 on the door.

# Next Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May

8.30am Holy Communion 10.00am All-age Eucharist

# Thursday 9th May

8pm Ascension Day Service for our MMU, this year at St Mary's, Woodford

### Our MMU

We work together in a group of 4 parishes, on things like Crown Court chaplaincy, Bereavement Cafe, etc. Would you like to represent St Gabriel's when we meet? Only 2/3 times a year, but the next meeting is Tuesday 30th April. If you are interested let Fr Martyn know.

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May Friends of St Gabriel's History Talk - Aldersbrook at war.

Tickets will be capped at 200 & are fast selling out, so do get your ticket in advance with the leaflet OR code or the link wnstd.com/flatsatwar Request for contributions to the Refreshment Stall to sell at this event from 4pm - sweet or savoury. Please contact Willa 07986860011. Many thanks.

# Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May

1.15pm Pupils concert in church for the organ fund

# Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May

St Gabriel's Dedication Festival There is a lot going on at the moment, so this will be a 'lighttouch' celebration. After church can we have some bring and share nibbles? Be as creative or basic as you'd like and we'll provide some festive drinks to go with the usual coffee and cake.

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

## Christian Aid week 12th-19th May

All systems go - if you'd like to help in any way: delivering envelopes in the parish, assisting with photocopying & preparing packs for delivery, counting money afterwards etc. please let Fr Martyn know.

## 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.

## Sunday 19th May

Pentecost, Annual Meeting and Confirmation - big day ahead! There are opportunities to join the PCC if you would be interested. There is also a vacancy for Churchwarden. Please speak to any of the current PCC or office holders to know more!

Annual Meeting will take place after church at 11.30am. The electoral roll is open for revision and will close to new members in the lead-up to this meeting.

## **Sunday 19th May Confirmation**

4pm at Christ Church, Wanstead. Last call this week for any people who may like to explore confirmation this year.

### Sunday 19th May

5pm Woodford Singers, with Heron Quartet - fliers in church with more details. Tickets £10

## For Our Prayers

## For those who are sick:

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

## For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Derrick Elliott, Joan Elliott