

St Gabriel's Church,
Aldersbrook
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Weekly Newsletter
Sunday 16th November

10am Parish Eucharist
Celebrant: Rev. Canon Martyn
Hawkes
Deacon: Rev. Amy Taylor
105, 656, 292, (472), 221

This Week

Morning Prayer

9am Monday – Thursday
In person only and all welcome
Tuesday at Christ Church
Wanstead

Evening prayer

5pm Monday – Thursday
On zoom and in-person

Tuesday

10:00am – 12 noon Open Church

1.30pm Get-together group in
church - a social gathering for
company and conversation.

The group is planning lunch in the
Golden Fleece on Tuesday 2nd
December. Advanced booking and
£5 deposit for this required via
Carol 07811 662297

Wednesday

11am Holy Communion
12 - 1.30pm Preschool Play Group
3.30pm 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.

Next Sunday 23rd November

10.00 Baptism of Zael George
Olakunle Musayayi on the Feast of
Christ the King
5pm Sung Evensong

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

Christmas Market

Friday 5th December 6.30-9pm

Saturday 6th December 12-3pm

Everyone welcome, the more the
merrier. Volunteers always needed
to help with set up, running stalls
on the two days and taking
everything down at the end.
We welcome donations of good
quality items including books,
children's toys, bottles for the
tombola, gifts etc. which can be
brought to church on Sundays or
during Open Church slots. Any
prizes for the raffle would also be
greatly appreciated

Please note: the week of 1st
December there will be no
Preschool Playgroup, After school
club or Tai Chi or Yoga due to
Christmas market preparations.
Wednesday communion and
Meditation will continue that
week.

Saturday 17th January

Advanced notice: Friends of St
Gabriel's event - Comedy Night.
Tickets will sell fast, so do get
your ticket now if you are
interested - in advance only.
[Bit.ly/stgcomedy](http://bit.ly/stgcomedy)

Saturday 24th January

Burns Night - save the date, and
watch this space for update on
getting tickets.

Book Club

The next book club will be on
Tuesday 13th January 2026 at 8pm
at the vicarage. We will be reading
2 books, feel free to read 1 or both.
For advent, we will read 'Listening
to the Music of the Soul' by
Bishop Guli Francis-Dehqani. For
fun, 'An Inconvenient Convent' by
Simon Parke.

Foodbank Update

We're a few weeks early but the
Advent foodbank boxes are out
now at the back of church. Thank
you as always for your generosity.
The last date for Christmas
donations will be 16th December.
Thank you. Helen and the team.

Parish Magazine

The magazine has arrived and is
ready for distribution as soon as
you are able. Please help deliver to
a street near you if you can.

Children's choir for Christmas

begins after church on Sundays
23rd November, 7th December and
14th December for rehearsals after
church. Please let Fr Martyn know
if you'd like to participate.
stgabrielsvicar@icloud.com

Letter to Bishop Guli

St Gabriel's PCC this week agreed
a letter in response to the recent
communications from the House
of Bishops and Bishop Guli. The
letter is attached to our weekly e-
newsletter, or if you would like to
read a copy please ask Fr Martyn
& he will be happy to provide one.

For Our Prayers

Joyce Beasley last week made a
permanent move to live with her
niece near Oswestry. Do pray as
she settles in. If you would like to
contribute to a gift from St
Gabriel's to wish her continued
recovery and our love please speak
to Willa or Fr Martyn. A card is
available to sign today.

For those who are sick:

Saadia Akmal, Michelle Baker,
Joyce Demetriou, Peter Ellis,
Eileen Galer, Philip & Jennifer
Hale, Kelly Harmsworth, Sylvia
Hawkes, Nicky Hooper, Faye
Jackman, Janis Lalor, Jack Lewis,
John Mitchell, Marie Norman,
William Starling, Kamalasan
Vilait, Julie Waite-Wilson, Anita
Watts, Mary Watts, Shirley Yick
& those on the Prayer Board

For the recently departed

Margaret Aske, Stephen Day

and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Christine Yeomans, Joan Lewis,
Joan Seeley