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> Weekly Newsletter 3rd September Back-to-School Sunday

8.30am Holy Communion
The early service is back for
September

10am All-age service Celebrant Fr. Martyn Hawkes Hymns in service book

We welcome all those who are involved in education to be blessed at the start of a new academic year. Wishing you all a good start to the term

This Week

Evening Prayer

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

Mon: Standing committee 7.30pm

Tuesday 10-12 Open Church

Wednesday 6th September

11am Holy Communion

12 noon The Preschool Play Group starts up again this Wednesday with a welcoming hot drink for the carers.

After-school club returns on Wednesday 13th September

Wednesday 6th September 7.30pm Spiritual Growth Group, at

10 Blake Hall Crescent.

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.

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

Thursday 7th September

1.25pm Snaresbrook crown court communion service A number of our members volunteer in the chaplaincy team but all are welcome to attend this monthly service

Next Sunday 10th September Junior Choir 11.30 - 12.15 in church

Tuesday 12th September PCC meeting

Sunday 10th September

We are on the lookout for volunteers to run activities & crafts for Messy Church. Clare will be at church & in the hall afterwards on the 10th to meet with anyone interested. Please join Clare & the team to ask questions & find out more. Clare can also be contacted on 07986180230 or wwwafamilies@gmail.com

Saturday 23rd September Messy Church Harvest

2pm – 4pm. We will be inviting all ages to celebrate Messy Harvest with us! You are all welcome to attend & bring guests and, of course, to volunteer to on the day.

Saturday 23rd September

7.30pm. Redbridge Brass, Showtime, with guest singers. Ticket details on poster.

Saturday 30th September

7pm. All Saints Chorus & Orchestra – Vivaldi Gloria, works of Bach, Franck, Faure & more. Ticket details on poster or call 07541 966720. Early booking advised.

Foodbank Update

The Office for National Statistics reported that 1 in 20 adults ran out of food and were unable to buy more in the previous two weeks, and some groups of people were affected even worse. Thank you for your continued support for the foodbank and other local organisations working with those struggling to cope in the cost of living crisis. Helen and the team.

Sunday 17th September Sidesperson training session

Rachel will be running a refresher session for sidespersons in church at 11.45am. Any members of the congregation who might be interested in joining the sidesperson rota but would like to see what the role involves are also welcome to attend. No previous experience is required!

Sunday 10th September

2-5pm Cream Teas By popular demand the best china is coming out. Please sign up today. Sample menu Finger sandwiches: Brie and cranberry, ham & tomato, smoked salmon & cream cheese, cucumber Selection of cakes. Scones jam & cream. Tea or coffee Tickets from Gaynor £9 Ghenry057@aol.com Funds raised will go to Helping Hands in Balaam St.

Saturday 16th September

7.30pm A Journey into the world of Guitar with Peter Black. Virtuoso Guitar concert with special guest: Fr Martyn. It's going to be a great concert (not just for the duets!), & all profits will support our fabulous organ – still working well, but in need of some love & fairly costly repair. Those who can please do get your tickets in advance! Ticket details on poster. If it's easier to sign up on the sheet for tickets than to purchase online please do use the sheet in church and pay Fr Martyn.

For Our Prayers

For those who are sick:

Aliandra Adelin, Frances Bonnick, Elwin Cockett, Joyce Demetriou, Peter Ellis, Margaret Filer, Eileen Galer, Martin Griffiths, Kelly Harmsworth, Sylvia Hawkes, Faye Jackman, Jack Lewis, Milosh, John Mitchell, Mary Watts & those on the Prayer Board