

St Gabriel's Church,  
Aldersbrook  
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Weekly Newsletter  
14<sup>th</sup> January

10.00am Parish Eucharist  
*Celebrant* Fr. Martyn Hawkes  
684, 45, 292, (304), 573

Today we celebrate the feast of the  
Baptism of Christ

During the service there is a  
chance to renew our baptismal  
vows and recommit to God's  
calling to us as beloved children  
and offer ourselves in God's  
service to the world.

There will also be prayers for  
healing in the side chapel offered  
during Holy Communion.

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

##### **Tuesday**

10-12 Open Church  
1.30pm-3.30pm Afternoon Social  
Group in church

##### **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!

##### **Next Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January**

In this week of prayer for Christian  
Unity we have a pulpit swap. Our  
preacher and celebrant will be Fr  
James from Wanstead. Fr Martyn  
will be at St Mary's Woodford.

##### **Next Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January**

4pm - 5.30pm Intercessions  
workshop at St Mary's Woodford  
For all who would like to lead  
prayers in our worship - all  
welcome. If you would like a lift  
with Fr Martyn let him know today  
or this week

##### **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January**

7.30 - 8pm Contemplative Prayer

##### **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January**

Next Evening Service -5pm Sung  
Evensong  
This will be a celebratory service,  
offering thanks for the great work  
to renew the choir vestry. There  
will be a blessing, and  
refreshments in the choir vestry  
after the service.

##### **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January**

New Year open table  
We are delighted to welcome  
people to St Gabriel's to explore  
who we are and what we do.  
If you're new, or simply have a  
question you've never felt able to  
ask there will be a table in the hall  
to discuss the weird and wonderful  
world of St Gabriel's for Q and A  
about anything. There is no such  
thing as a silly question.  
There is always an open invitation  
for anyone who would welcome a  
chat with Fr Martyn to arrange that  
with him directly.

##### **Foodbank Update**

Thank you to everyone for all your  
amazing donations over the last  
year. All the Christmas food and  
gifts have now been distributed to  
various organisations around the  
borough. Wishing you all a  
peaceful Christmas and a Happy  
New Year from everyone at Tin in  
a Bin.

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

##### **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January**

8pm Book Club meets at the  
vicarage to discuss the Advent  
book choices, and to choose the  
next book.  
If you'd like to be involved please  
speak to Martyn

##### **All-age Sunday support**

We're hoping to recruit a  
completely new team for these  
Sundays and would love you to  
join in - no previous experience  
required and training offered.  
Please speak to Martyn or Gigi if  
you'd like to know more.

##### **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January.**

##### **Burns Night**

Tickets are now available - Adults  
£16 Children (12 and under) £9.  
Once they are gone, they are gone.  
Speak to Caroline Ferguson to  
reserve a place. Your ticket is for  
main course with dessert. Bring  
your own bottle, bring your own  
glasses. Raffle tickets also  
available - £2 per strip.  
Tickets at: [https://st-gabriels-  
church.sumupstore.com/](https://st-gabriels-church.sumupstore.com/)

##### **For Our Prayers**

18 - 25th Jan is the week of prayer  
for Christian unity.  
Please pray for our MMU church:  
Christ Church and St Mary's,  
Wanstead, St Mary Woodford and  
St Peter in the Forest,  
Walthamstow. Pray also for our  
sisters and brothers at Aldersbrook  
Baptist Church, Our Lady of  
Lourdes RC Church, Wanstead  
URC Church.

##### **For those who are sick:**

Mr Ali, Eva and Peter Baker,  
Frances Bonnick, Kevin Brown,  
Elwin Cockett, Joyce Demetriou,  
Peter Ellis, Margaret Filer, Eileen  
Galer, Martin Griffiths, Kelly  
Harmsworth, Sylvia Hawkes, Faye  
Jackman, Janis Lalor, Jack Lewis,  
Milosh, John Mitchell, Mary Watts  
& those on the Prayer Board

##### **For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:**

Reginald Port, Carol Wragg, Vic  
Joslin, Brian Armstrong, Albert  
Beare