St Gabriel's Church,
Aldersbrook
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Weekly Newsletter Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July

8.30am Holy communion

10am All-age Eucharist Celebrant: Rev. Canon Martyn Hawkes

## This Week

## **Evening Prayer**

Evening prayer at 5pm in church and on zoom Mon, Wed and Thur this week

## Monday 7th July

7pm Standing Committee

Aldersbrook School will be rehearsing their leavers play on Mondays and Fridays during the school day.

## **Tuesday**

No Get-together group as they are booked in for cream tea at Age UK Wanstead on Monday instead

Wanstead Parish pilgrimage to
Canterbury ends with a service in
Canterbury cathedral which Fr
Martyn is attending. Unfortunately
this means that the service of
Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament will be transferred to
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July instead.
Apologies for the inconvenience.

## Wednesday

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.

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

## Curacy at St Gabriel's

We welcome brand new curate Amy to the parish this coming week following her licensing this weekend by Bishop Guli as lay worker. She will join the worshipping community at St Gabriel's next Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July Her ordination, to which all are invited, will be Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September at Chelmsford Cathedral at 2pm.

#### St Gabriel's Pastoral Network

There will be a meeting of our Pastoral Network volunteers after church next Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July."

## Tuesday 15th July

Aldersbrook School year 6 performance on this day so the church will be occupied with dress rehearsal and performances potentially from 9.30am - 7pm. No open church this day, and for arrangements for the Get-together group watch this space.

## Tuesday 15th July

7.30pm PCC meeting in the Choir vestry

Please note: there will be no midweek Eucharist on **Wednesday** 23<sup>rd</sup> July due to the holiday club.

## **Hall Renovation Update**

We are delighted to have received a grant of £12,000 towards the hall renovation works, thanks to the hard work of Rusty, one of the Friends of St Gabriel's. This keeps on track our plan to complete much-needed work to the building over the summer. Please be aware that during school holidays it's unlikely that parking will be available in the car park.

## Foodbank Update

Please remember us when you do your shopping! Folk at St Gabriels have always been very generous & it has not gone unnoticed. Please do continue to do what you can for this important cause. Thank you, Helen and the team.

## Welcome Rota - help needed!

Please do let Rachel know this week if you might be interested in joining our teas or cakes rota (you do not have to bake any cakes, shop bought ones are fine) or as a sidesperson at our monthly All Age Service.

St Gabriel's supports three charities (Chaos, Refugee Employment Network, Practical Action) with monies donated for teas/coffee & cake after our main Sunday service. However, we urgently need cake makers or we may move to cakes after the main service just twice a month, which will impact our charity giving.

# Holiday Club 2025 - Lift! 22<sup>nd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> July

9.30-12.30 Tues-Thurs with a whole day trip & family celebration in church on Friday. We are recruiting for table leaders, young leaders (Year 7 & above), & helpers. Have a chat with Fr Martyn, Anthony or Clare to learn more about this and offer your very kind help. All experience and abilities welcomed, there is a role for you whatever you like doing!

## Monday 8th September.

8 pm at the Vicarage. Our next book club book will be 'The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store' by James McBride.

## **For Our Prayers**

## For those who are sick:

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

# For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Leonard Conoley, Elizabeth Filer, Thelma Thomas, Charles Watts, Frank McKinney