St Gabriel's Church,
Aldersbrook
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Weekly Newsletter
Sunday 18th October

10am Parish Eucharist
Celebrant: Revd Amy Taylor
Preacher: Fr. Martyn Hawkes
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After Church: The Pastoral Network meets upstairs in the hall
First communion class meet in the choir vestry.

6.30pm Forest Philharmonic concert

This Week

Morning Prayer
9am Monday, Wednesday & Thursday. In person.

Evening prayer
5pm Monday, Wednesday & Thursday. On zoom and in-person

Monday 19th October
8pm Book Club meeting at the Vicarage. The book is "Hotel Avocado" by Bob Mortimer. All are welcome!

Tuesday
10:00am – 12 noon Open Church
1.30pm Get-together group in church - chair yoga, chess, jigsaw, chat, tea and cake, meditation - something for everyone.

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 25th October
12 noon Da Capo Brass and friends present a concert of 20th century brass & wind chamber music. They will be performing B. Tovey's brass quintet: "Santa Barbara Sonata", C. Ball's wind quintet: "Scenes from a Comedy", & Stravinsky's wind octet. Free admission (no booking required).

A big thanks to the team that have prepared for the Black History month event in church.
At time of writing we await the great celebration, but if you're reading this in church we'll be basking the glow of another important and wonderful addition to life at St Gabriel's.

Saturday 31st October
Light Party in church between 4-6pm. Join us at St Gabriel's alternative to a spooky Halloween; a celebration of love and light. Enjoy dancing, games, mocktails, rainbow toast, crafts and a light trail. Please publicise this new venture for us. The Light Trail will be a series of A4 posters hung on trees & front room windows with key words for families to spot. Please contact us if you live on the same "block" as the church & wouldn't mind some eager spotters looking at your front window between 4 and 6pm. Thank you in advance!

We have a new church user group. The Aldersbrook Horticultural Society will be using St Gabriel's for their monthly gathering on the 2nd Tuesday of the month from November onwards. This will mean that the silent adoration service will shift to the 1st Tuesday of the month, starting on 3rd November

Sunday 1st November
Grandparents Group. We're meeting after the All Age services every other month. Come & join us if you are a grandparent or fulfil this role for a family in another way & might enjoy some specific fellowship & support. We do a fun & engaging activity & have a guided discussion each time. Bring your tea and cake!

Saturday 14th November
Quiz Night in the hall
Ella Wilcox is raising funds for a Guide trip to Canada next year
Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30 start,
Tickets £8. Maximum teams of 8.
https://www.ticketsource.com/chris-wilcox/t-ldxlvkx
Bring your own drinks. Cakes and snacks available.

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

Next Sunday 25th October
Don't Forget The Clocks Go Back!

Monday 30th November
2-4pm The Soul Group are taking a trip to the National Gallery to enjoy some Slow Art.
We will be led by Liz Waldy from the London Jesuit Centre as we take some time to learn and reflect on the practise of praying with art.
If you would like to know more or to attend, please speak to Revd Amy

St Gabriel's Charitable giving
Did you know that the money from tea/coffee & cakes goes to support 3 charities nominated by St Gabriel's? We are renewing our charities this autumn for the next 3 years and welcome nominations from the congregation, from which the PCC will select. The remit is broad but we choose 1 Local, 1 National and 1 International charity. Nomination forms are in church & the deadline is Sunday 1st November.

Saturday 14th November
Messy Church - Rejoice! We will be getting festive early, thinking ahead to winter & Advent. Clare would be grateful to hear from those interested in getting involved – all talents embraced! All are invited to join this all-age event & enjoy our most relaxed & creative worship opportunity for all. Please publicise this for us. Posters available.

For Our Prayers

For Henry and Lucy along with our prayers for Gigi and her healing.

For those who are sick:
Saadia Akmal, Michelle Baker, Joyce Demetriou, Jennifer Hale, Nicky Hooper, Faye Jackman, Doreen Karsondas, Gigi Kwong, Janis Lalor, John Mitchell, Angela Ng, Judy Scrivener, Muhammad Shah, William Starling, Ian Thomson, Jean Umoh, Julie Waite-Wilson, Anita Watts, Mary Watts, Shirley Yick & those on the Prayer Board

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Jennifer Wright, Aaron Nash, Margaret Frost. Sylvia Parris