St Gabriel's Church, Aldersbrook www.stgabrielsaldersbrook.org.uk

> Weekly Newsletter Sunday 6th October

8.30am Holy Communion

10.00am All-age Harvest Festival service and parade service Celebrant Rev. Canon Martyn Hawkes

We welcome the uniform groups & hope to provide an extra boost to our foodbank giving.

From 10 - 4pm today there is volunteer work going on in the hall to continue the work of renovation.

Anyone able to offer time to support this work is welcome to drop in after the service, or any time this afternoon to help out as needed.

2.30 - 4.30pm Lego in Church All ages welcome to come in and play this afternoon - refreshments available.

This Week

Evening Prayer

5pm Monday to Thursday on Zoom & in church

Tuesday 8th October

10-12 Open Church
1.30pm Afternoon Social Group
7 - 7.30pm Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament
7.45pm Deanery standing
committee in church

Wednesday

No prayer hour until further notice. 11am Holy Communion 12 noon The 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 Magazine

We are collecting articles for the next parish magazine. Please send articles to teresasmith@me.com. The closing date for articles is today Sunday 6th October.

Next Sunday 13th October

PCC meeting 11.30 upstairs in the hall

Sunday 20th October

Planning meeting after church for Christmas Market – all welcome as many hands make light work.

100 Years of St Gabriel's Hall

The Friends of St Gabriel's are working with local film maker Tessa Oldham to produce a short film about 100 years of St Gabriel's Church Hall to help with fundraising efforts.

Do you have any old photographs or film footage of events or activities at the Hall? Would you like to be on camera talking about what the Hall has meant to you? If so, please contact friendsofstgabriels2021@gmail.com by 18th October 2024.

Christian Aid Vigil

As we approach the one year anniversary of the 7th October attacks on Israel, Christian Aid are encouraging us join us online for a time of prayer and silence.

Together, we can pray for all those who grieve the lost and we can pray for peace and wisdom. Peace in our homes, in our neighbourhoods; peace with our global neighbours. To join this vigil follow the link below: https://www.christianaid.org.uk/events/gaza-appeal-vigil

Foodbank Update

An urgent plea for breakfast cereal and toiletries from the foodbank organisers over the next few weeks as stocks of those items are running very low.

Thank you. Helen and the team.

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

Saturday

Saturday Open Church will take a break until 12th October.

Bible Reading Plan

Plan for the last quarter of 2024 starts with the Gospel of John Next Meeting: 11.30am 3rd November at Church. More details available from Gigi.

Monday 21st October

The Book Club's next book is The Stranger in the Lifeboat by Mitch Albom to be discussed on at 8pm at the vicarage. All welcome.

Saturday 9th November

2-4pm Messy Church.
Before a call for volunteers, a call for ideas please! To complement our theme of Giving we'd like to run a session where people take nothing home & make/do things in the Advent spirit of giving. Do you have ideas and contacts for us? Pet shelters needing toys? Residential homes that would appreciate drawings or letters? A Christmas Market stall needing handmade goods? Please chat to, email or call Clare with your ideas 07986 180230 /www.families@gmail.com

For Our Prayers

For those who are sick:

Eva and Peter Baker, Ann Brown, Joyce Demetriou, Peter Ellis, Eileen Galer, Martin Griffiths, Kelly Harmsworth, Sylvia Hawkes, Faye Jackman, Janis Lalor, Henry Lau, Jack Lewis, Olive Macauley, John Mitchell, Marie Norman, William Starling, Mary Watts & those on the Prayer Board

For the recently departed

Denise Keating, Jill Goddard, Monica Crawford

and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Sam Fallowfield