

St Gabriel's Church,
Aldersbrook
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Weekly Newsletter
Sunday 12th January

Baptism of Christ
Today we celebrate Jesus' baptism
and renew our own

10.00am Parish Eucharist
Celebrant: Rev. Canon Martyn
Hawkes
527, 646, 259, (150), 609

This Week

Evening Prayer
5pm Monday to Thursday on
Zoom & in church.

Monday 13th January
7.30pm PCC meeting in Choir
Vestry

Tuesday
10-12 Open Church
1.30pm Afternoon Social Group

Wednesday 15th January
11am Holy Communion
12 noon The Preschool Play Group
3.30 After School club

7 - 7.30pm Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament

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!

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

Next Sunday 19th January
As part of our week of prayer for
Christian Unity we welcome The
Revd Alex Summers, vicar of our
partner parish St Peter in the
Forest as our preacher and
celebrant. Martyn will be at St
Peter's.

Sunday 26th January
5pm Evening Service - details tbc

Good news
We raised over £1000 for the
Children's Society at our carol
singing and Christingle service in
December. Thank you to all who
participated and/or gave.

All-Age Bible Reading Group
We have started our journey
through the Gospel of Matthew.
Online monthly meetings will be
held via Zoom. Everyone is
welcome! Speak to Henry for more
information.

1st Sunday All-Age Choir
We love to share the joy of
ensemble singing with you! Non-
audition and friendly choir;
welcome singers of all voices!
Give it a go? Speak to Fr
Martyn/Gigi.

Used Stamps
Thank you to everyone who
brought in their used stamps. A
batch has been sent off now to the
animal charity. Please continue to
bring your used stamps to church
to put in the box at the back.
Thank you. Sue Maudsley

Foodbank Update
2024 has not been an easy year for
many people but as always St
Gabriels folk have stepped up with
incredible generosity. Wishing you
all a new year full of hope, from
everyone at Tin in a Bin! Helen
and the team

John Light would like to convey
his thanks to the good people of St
Gabriel's for their generous
leaving gift of £365

Spiritual book club
Our next book club will take place
on Monday 10th February at 8pm
at the vicarage. We will be
discussing 'Women of the
Nativity' by Paula Gooder and
'Orbital' by Samantha Harvey.

Saturday 25th January
This year's Burns night
celebrations at St. Gabriel's will
take place on the actual birthday of
the Bard himself!
As our regular piper, Trevor, has
now retired you will be welcomed
this year by a member of The
Epping Forest Pipe Band. We will
also continue to enjoy our local
music students and their teachers.
Tickets are available through
SumUp at £17 for adults and £10
for primary school aged children.
Bring your own drinks as we don't
run a bar at this event. Speak to
Caroline Ferguson for more details
and to volunteer for cooking
duties.

For Our Prayers

For those who are sick:
Martin Anderson, Eva Baker,
Michelle Baker, Ann Brown,
Ursula Christie, Rosemary Dean,
Joyce Demetriou, Peter Ellis,
Eileen Galer, Martin Griffiths,
Kelly Harmsworth, Sylvia
Hawkes, Faye Jackman, Janis
Lalor, Jack Lewis, Olive
Macauley, John Mitchell, Marie
Norman, William Starling, Mary
Watts & those on the Prayer Board

**For those whose anniversaries
occur at this time:**
Vic Joslin, Brian Armstrong