

St Gabriel's Church,
Aldersbrook
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Weekly Newsletter
Sunday 14th July

10.00am Parish Eucharist
Celebrant: Rev. Canon Martyn
Hawkes
Preacher Henry Lau
9, 217, 379, (206), 756

This Week

Evening Prayer

5pm Wednesday & Thursday only
on Zoom & in church
Fr Martyn will be taking a couple
of days off at the start of this week.
No evening prayer on Monday or
Tuesday

Tuesday

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

Tuesday 16th July

10.30 am Bereavement Group for
those experiencing loss at Christ
Church Wanstead.

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.

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)*

In today's service we formally
welcome Henry as a newly
licensed lay minister. This is a lay,
rather than ordained role in the
Church of England with a focus on
preaching, teaching, leading
worship and (in Henry's case)
supporting pastorally the ministry
of the local church.

Many congratulations to Henry on
completing the training and being
called to this ministry.

Sunday 15th September

Flute, Woodwind and Organ
Concert at 5pm in aid of the Organ
Fund. Refreshments available.
John will also celebrate 40 years as
organist and music director at St
Gabriel's church this year.
Please support this or make a
donation if you cannot attend.
John & Kerry Light and Amy &
Amelia Tolley

General Synod

This past week the national
decision-making body of the
Church of England finally agreed
to allow services of blessing for
those in same-sex relationships
and civil marriage to take place in
church. As an inclusive church St
Gabriel's PCC warmly welcomes
this development, and will, when
this is authorized in February 2025
be a place where such services can
take place. We remain committed
to being genuinely inclusive of a
diversity of theological
perspectives and seek to be a
church open to all.

Foodbank Update

Your generous response to my plea
in church the other week for more
donations has been amazing! But
sadly it doesn't stop here. Please
continue to do what St Gabriels
does best. Many, many thanks.
Helen and the team.

Holiday Club 2024.

July 23rd to 26th.

This years' theme is Joy!
If you can help, please speak to
Anthony or Clare,
wva.families@gmail.com /
07986180230 for more
information.

Saturday 27th July

Family Fun Day

Volunteers needed on the day from
12 - 4pm to make the most of this
social and fund-raising
opportunity. Sign up on the list to
offer what you can.

We have 1000 fliers to distribute
around the parish to advertise this.
Although not a comprehensive
mail-shot it would be good to
circulate widely, along with our
social media & digital publication.
Many thanks for your help with
this.

Saturday 19th October

Quiet away-Day at The Friars,
Aylesford Priory

Do sign up for the Quiet away-day
in October - Life in all its fullness
Cost, including buffet lunch and
tea and coffee, only £22. Transport
will be car-share, or public
transport.

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, Jack Lewis, Olive
Macauley, John Mitchell, Marie
Norman, Bibi Rahman, William
Starling, Mary Watts & those on
the Prayer Board

For the recently departed:

Thelma Thomas, Pauline
Duncombe, Eileen Freshwater
**and those whose anniversaries
occur at this time:**
Marion Akehurst, Bob Collings,
Jean Sherman, Gladys Cooper