

# CHRIST CHURCH HIGHBURY

**March 19 2017 – The Third Sunday of Lent**

## ***Welcome to Christ Church***

If you are new to Christ Church or need to tell us of any change of address, please fill in a white card from the pew chair pockets and hand it in at the Welcome Desk in the Fellowship Room, where coffee is served after the 11am service.

### **9.00am HOLY COMMUNION**

**Leader:** Tania Witter

**Preacher:** Jonathan Brewster

**Reading:** John 12. 1-11

### **11.00am HOLY COMMUNION**

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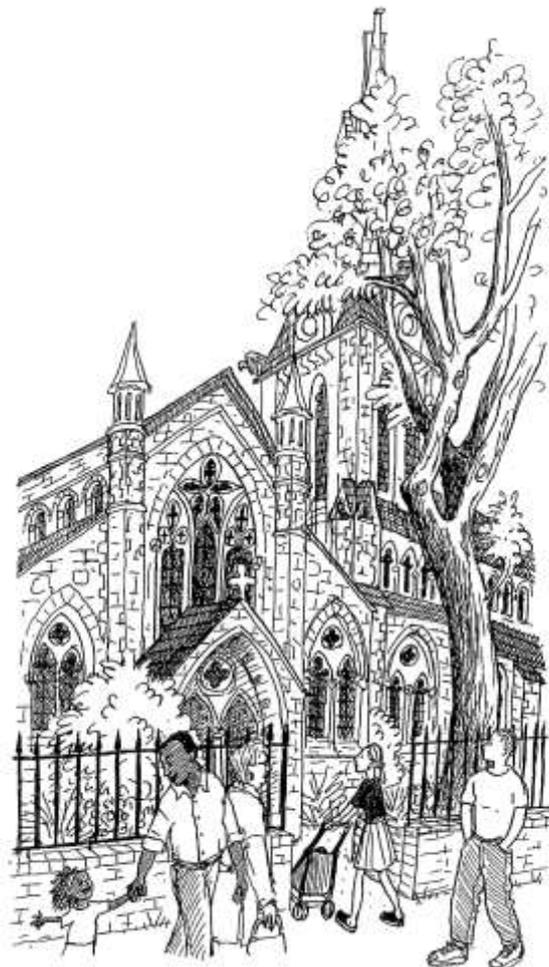
**Preacher:** Jonathan Brewster

**Reading:** John 12. 1-11

*\*If you would prefer to receive non-alcoholic wine, please bring this noticesheet with you to the altar-rail*

### **6.30pm CHRISTIAN MEDITATION**

**Leader:** Mary Cook



**PLEASE PRAY FOR** – Eva Newnham, Christopher, Catherine and Clifford Browne, Gary Toye, Pat Woodward, her mother and family, The family of Amy Downing, Oliver Evans, Tony, George Ort, *(Names of people to be prayed for appear for four weeks)*

**and also our five Mission Links** – Cambodia Action, Church Mission Society in the Middle East, Church Army (UK), Potential Edge (Uganda), and the Delhi Bible Institute.

**Prayer Ministry:** Members of the team will be in the Prayer Corner after the 11am service to pray with anyone who would value this.

**MORNING PRAYER** –Monday 9am (except Bank Holidays), Tuesday 9am, Wednesday 10.30am, Thursday 9am.

**VISITS** - if you would like a visit from one of the visiting team, call the office on 7354 0741.

**VESTRY HOUR** – Mondays, 5.30-6.30pm, in the Vicarage Basement. Please come to Vestry Hour if you would like to talk to one of the clergy. No appointment required.

*You are welcome to take this noticesheet away with you*

## *CHRIST CHURCH news*

**HIGHBURY YOUNG SINGERS:** There will be a free concert by HYS to celebrate their 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. This will be held this afternoon at 3pm here at Christchurch with refreshments afterwards. All welcome.

**OFFICE HOURS:** The office will be closed from Monday 20<sup>th</sup> – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March and will reopen on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March.

**ANNUAL DAY OF PRAYER:** Westminster Abbey, Saturday 8 April 2017. A day of quiet reflection, entitled, Cleave the wood and there I am, carvings and music, led by Canon Christopher Lewis. Participants in the day of prayer will have free access to the Abbey and to the Shrine of Edward the Confessor and St Faith's Chapel all day. Full details on the flyers on the welcome desk, or talk to Tania.

**HELP WITH LANGUAGES:** Do you have a language other than English? Help on Your Doorstep needs occasional help in talking to non-English speakers' both on the doorstep and in the office. Would you be willing to give HOYD your phone number for them to contact you in case of difficulty in understanding? You might be asked to speak to the client, but they would never be given your number. If you have a foreign language and would be willing to do this, please let me know (Turkish especially useful). Please call on 0207 226 6908, 07717221819 or email [tania.witter@btinternet.com](mailto:tania.witter@btinternet.com).

**UPDATE FROM THE PARISH REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:** Thanks so much to everyone who came along to the public consultation meeting a week or so ago. We had an excellent turnout of around 50 people including representations of key local residents' groups. 33 people filled in feedback forms and 31 were in favour of the proposed community centre (2 were not sure). We wanted to let you know that the PCC has now approved us applying to the council for planning permission and looking at how the current interior might be remodelled (a suggestion from the congregation). Thanks so much for your support in getting us to this point. We will keep you posted but do ask any of us if you have any questions in the meantime. Thanks Rosie

**BOOKING NOW OPEN:** Christ Church Highbury **Parish Weekend Away 2017 14-16 July 2017** at High Leigh Conference Centre. The theme is 'Going Deeper'. The weekend is a great opportunity to get to know each other, have some fun and explore your faith. Please pick up a brochure and booking form or download from [www.christchurchhighbury.com/parishweekendaway](http://www.christchurchhighbury.com/parishweekendaway). Completed booking forms can be dropped in the box at the Welcome Desk or returned to Becky Osborn [beckyandquy@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:beckyandquy@blueyonder.co.uk). Please contact Anna Dixon [d1xonanna@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:d1xonanna@yahoo.co.uk) or Liz Clutterbuck if you have any questions about the weekend.

**ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING:** Our annual APCM will be held on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2017 during the 11am service. Please can you check Christ Church's electoral roll in the Fellowship Room to ensure that you are on the roll. To vote at the APCM or serve on the PCC you must be on the roll. If not, application forms are on the Welcome Desk. Please return to Jules in the Office or to Ann Wilsdon the Electoral Roll Officer by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

**HOW TO GIVE** - Giving from the congregation is our major source of income - over 70% of the total - and vital to the mission of the church. Thank you to all those who continue to give so generously. If you would like to discuss further please talk to the clergy or Evelyn Thomas, the Giving secretary. Leaflets explaining the giving process are available on the welcome desk or go to [www.christchurchhighbury.com/involvement/financial-giving](http://www.christchurchhighbury.com/involvement/financial-giving)

## MORE NEWS...

**A VERY ADVANCE NOTICE:** A week-long pilgrimage trip in eastern Turkey, '*Following in the footsteps of St Paul*', is planned for 29 April to 6 May 2018. If you think you might be interested, please keep this week free. Full details and booking forms will be available in September this year. Tania Witter

**ISLINGTON CENTRE FOR REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS** – The Centre is continuing to rebuild itself after the loss of its major funding in 2014. As of the time of writing, it is anticipated that in 2017 the Centre will be able to provide its services for a third day a week. Thanks to the generosity of the congregation I passed on a travel cot, a handmade double bedcover, the entire Harvest Festival, the weekly Sunday gifts of food/toiletries and other donations including cash. In September 2016, the Centre's choir took up Christ Church's offer of free space to rehearse. This was thanks to the Men Shed's initiative which also organised, in December, a music/choir workshop with the Centre's choir and a Syrian group followed by a convivial lunch in the Fellowship Room. For information: [www.islingtoncentre.co.uk](http://www.islingtoncentre.co.uk). Thank you Christ Church for your support. Christine O'Brien.

## NEXT SUNDAY AT CHRIST CHURCH...

<b>March 26<sup>th</sup> 2017</b>	<b>9.00am</b> <b>11.00am</b> <b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Holy Communion with Thanksgiving</b> <b>Morning Worship with Baptism</b> <b>Jazz Vespers</b>
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*Notices for this sheet should reach the Church Office by 12 noon on Thursday. Thank you*

