

CHRIST CHURCH HIGHBURY

August 27 2017 – Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

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: Polly Arthur

Reading: Isaiah 51: 1-6

Gospel: Matthew 16: 13-20

11.00am MORNING WORSHIP

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

6.30pm JAZZ VESPERS

Leader: Janet Gilbert

PLEASE PRAY FOR – Ryan Doyle, Martha, Alderman Walker, Inez Smith, Stefan Karas, Leroy Gyles, Sylvestre and Florence Price and family, Carmen Binns and Eva Newnham ***(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 – There will be no Morning Prayer in August

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

VESTRY HOUR: There is no vestry hour in August, but from September and for the duration of the vacancy we will not be holding our usual Monday evening vestry hour. Instead, please contact the office regarding baptisms, weddings, banns and any other queries and Jules will put you in touch with a member of clergy.

You are welcome to take this noticesheet away with you



CHRIST CHURCH news

FLOWERS: Today's flowers were donated by Bob Smith – *To the loving memory of my sweet lady, Norma Joan Smith on the occasion of our 53rd Anniversary.*

OFFICE HOURS: The office will be closed until Tuesday 29th August. The office will be open Tues 29th, Weds 30th, & Thurs 31st August and closed Fri 1st September.

MENS BREAKFAST: Put the 16th of September at 9am in your diaries and expect a quality full English breakfast and a good discussion. For more details, email Nick Witter at nandtwitter@btinternet.com or Andre Bernal at andrepopplewell@hotmail.com. We hope to see you there! All men welcome!

INTERCESSORS WANTED: Would you be like to lead prayers at the 11am service? There will be full training and guidance for anyone who would like to be a part of this team. Please contact Tania at tania.witter@btinternet.com. 0207 226 6908 or 07717 221 819

HIGHBURY LIFE FESTIVAL - 2ND TO 9TH SEPTEMBER 2017, 11AM – 7.00PM: Come and join us for this fun-filled, family-friendly festival, right in the heart of our own parish! Life Festival is being organised by the local churches as a celebration of culture and diversity. From music, to food, story-telling to dance, there really will be something for everyone.

WOULD YOU LIKE SOME SAND?: We have about 18 kilos of clean soft sand to give away to anyone who would like it (for your sandpit, perhaps?) Apply to church office.

TREASURER NEEDED: We are currently looking for a volunteer treasurer to join the Christ Church PCC. You don't need to be a member of the PCC but would be required to attend some of the 6 meetings which happen throughout the year. For a more detailed description of the role please visit <http://www.parishresources.org.uk/resources-for-treasurers/the-treasurers-role/>. If you are interested or would like to have a discussion about this role, please speak with Michelle or Janet or alternatively email the office.

SPIRE AND HERITAGE PROJECT UPDATE: Many thanks to everyone who participated in our thank you and launch event in July. We also appreciated the excellent support from the wider community. The project continues. The next steps will include training volunteers to use the audiovisual resource and to guide visitors in using it. We will need a volunteer rota for Open Days. As the same time we need to think how best to generate publicity in order to meet our visitor targets for the coming year. New banners, posters and leaflets could be useful, as well as social media. Liaison with local schools and community groups will be essential. The Highbury Heritage content will be amazing: there are 40 new short films and over 80 narrated stories illustrated with historical images. However, there is much still to do on the technical side. We have requested an extension to the Heritage Lottery Fund deadline, to enable the heritage work and evaluation report to be completed before we request the remaining grant money. Volunteers interested in helping with Open Days and publicity please contact janetgilbert58@gmail.com

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/giving

MORE NEWS...

YOUR DISHES: Could people who so kindly brought contributions of food for Jonathan's farewell party, please check in the kitchen to see if your dish is still there. There are many fine plates and dishes waiting to be collected.

HIGHBURY OPERA THEATRE: HOT production of **FEVER PITCH**, based on the book by Nick Hornby and conducted by Scott Stroman, will be on at the Union Chapel 22nd – 24th September 2017. To book tickets go to www.highburyoperatheatre.com.

LONDONS CHRISTIAN HISTORY: This short course of 6 Thursday evening sessions will look at the twists and turns of Christian history through the lens of the Church in London as we start to understand more about the Church we have inherited today. Starting 21st September from 7.30-9.30pm at Stepney Centre for Training & Development. For more information see the poster in the Fellowship room or contact Christopher at stepney.admin@london.anglican.org or 020 3837 5235. Full cost is £25 per person.

PARISH REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE: Thanks again to all members of the congregation who contributed to the consultation on the proposed church centre, offering fresh ideas, feedback and support. The PCC recently approved the committee's proposal to apply for planning permission and the application has now been submitted. We would expect to hear sometime this summer. If permission is granted, this would be valid for three years - the PCC would then need to approve the project moving ahead. Please take a moment to look at the plans on the welcome desk - these include new features as a result of the consultation. If you have any questions on the proposed plans, please do speak to one of the committee. We would be happy to hear from you. We are: Tania, Verity, Matthew, Rosie, Guy, John Edwards, Andrew Marshal and Evelyn.

ISLINGTON CENTRE FOR REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS – Is celebrating its twentieth anniversary this year. Fundraising has been successful and since the beginning of March the Centre has been able to open for 3 days a week in term time. Since September the Centre has enjoyed the benefit of free space to rehearse at Christ Church. In addition to the teaching of English, advice, support and practical help is given to students. The Centre welcomes the generous donations by the congregation. Tea, coffee, lunch are provided and food supplies are distributed. Non-perishable food such as instant coffee, tea bags, milk (UHT), sugar, rice, pasta, sauces, tinned meat and vegetables, cereals, tins of tuna, tomatoes, beans, cooking oil and toiletries can be brought in to Christ Church on Sundays (clearly marked for the Centre) and either left on the table to the right of the kitchen hatch, or handed to me. All contributions very welcome. www.islingtoncentre.co.uk. Facebook and Twitter (Follow @IslingtonCentre) - Thank you, Christine O'Brien.

NEXT SUNDAY AT CHRIST CHURCH...

September 3rd 2017	9.00am 11.00am 6.30pm	Holy Communion Holy Communion No Service
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Notices for this sheet should reach the Church Office by 12 noon on Thursday. Thank you

TIME TO PRAY AND READ ...

God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

MONDAY, August 28	Psalm 80	Acts 6
* For our clergy, lay leaders and church wardens * For those who work in the media and the arts		
TUESDAY, August 29	Psalm 89:1-18	Acts 7:1-16
* For more affordable homes to be built or made available * For all who are sick in body, mind or spirit		
WEDNESDAY, August 30	Psalm 119:105-128	Acts 7:17-43
* For teachers, students and parents preparing for the start of the new term * For the social services		
THURSDAY, August 31	Psalm 92	Acts 7:44-53
* For safety on our streets and in open spaces * For local government and community leaders		
FRIDAY, September 1	Psalm 88	Acts 7:54-8:3
* For the people of Yemen * For the Queen, members of parliament and the armed forces		
SATURDAY, September 2	Psalm 97	Acts 8:4-25
* For Islington Life festival * For our homes, families, friends and all whom we love		
SUNDAY, September 3	Psalm 119:17-32	Philemon
* For us all as we come together to worship today * For bishops, synods and all who lead the Church		

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