

# CHRIST CHURCH HIGHBURY

**February 11 2018 – The Sunday Next before 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 Welcome Card on the Welcome Desk and hand it in the Fellowship Room, where coffee is served after the 11am service.

### **9.00am HOLY COMMUNION**

**Leader:** Tania Witter

**Preacher:** Tania Witter

**Reading:** Isaiah 58. 6-11

### **11.00am MORNING WORSHIP**

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**Reading:** Isaiah 58. 6-11

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

### **6.30pm NO SERVICE**

**ORDERS OF SERVICE:** If you would like a large print Communion booklet please ask one of the Sides people at the back of the church.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** – For the family of Kathleen Gill, For the family of Ray Cook, For the family of Carrick James, Connie Winder, Shirley Clarke and Family, Samantha Thomas, and Eva Newnham  
*(Names of people to be prayed for appear for four weeks)*

**and also our four Mission Links** – Cambodia Action, Church Mission Society in the Middle East, Church Army (UK) 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.

**EVENING SERVICES** - There will be no Holy Communion and Evening Prayer on Sunday evenings, until a new vicar is installed. However, Christian Meditation (on the THIRD Sunday of the month) and Jazz Vespers (on the LAST Sunday of the month) will continue.

**VISITS** - Please contact the office if you would like a home visit.



## *CHRIST CHURCH news*

**THANK YOU FROM PADDY MARSH:** A very large Thank You for the kind and generous gifts many people gave for my 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Many thanks for the Book Token which I shall greatly enjoy spending (and then reading!).

**OFFICE OPENING HOURS:** The office will be closed Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> and Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February and will reopen on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February.

**ASH WEDNESDAY:** A service of Holy Communion with Ashing will take place at 10.30am on Wednesday February 14<sup>th</sup> in the church. If you are able, do join us for this service that marks the official beginning of Lent. If you are unable to attend, there will be 'ashes on the go' at the bottom of Highbury Fields between 8am and 9am, as a joint initiative between Christ Church and our neighbours, Hope Church Islington.

**LENT GROUPS:** This year our Lent course is 'The Mystery of Everything' - a series of Bible readings and discussions based upon the themes raised in the film 'The Theory of Everything'. Our Sunday sermons will also be following the same themes over the first five Sundays in Lent. Our Home Groups will be following this material and have spaces available for people to join - you can sign up via sheets on the noticeboard in the Fellowship Room. Joining a Lent Group is a great way of going deeper with God during the Lent season, as well as building relationships within the congregation.

**QUIET DAY IN LENT:** Would you like a mini-retreat in London? This is your chance to experience a quiet day near the start of Lent. **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February** at St Saviour's Priory, Queensbridge Road, Haggerston. The day starts at 10 and finishes at 3.30pm with a short time of reflection. The rest of the day is spent in silence. There is a library, two chapels, an art room and a lovely garden in which you can spend time reading, praying and reflecting. If you have never done anything like this and would like to find out more please speak to Anna Dixon or Tania Witter. Sign up at the welcome desk or email [d1xonanna@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:d1xonanna@yahoo.co.uk) to book your place.

**DONATION FOR CHURCH FOOD SUPPLIES:** As the winter sets in we have more callers than ever. We are in desperate need of tinned and dried goods to keep the shelves stocked. It would be very much appreciated if could add an extra item or two to your regular shopping list and bring something along to the church whenever you can or you can drop it into the office during office hours. The sorts of things that we are in most need of are: pasta, rice, pasta sauce, tinned meat, tinned veg, sugar, tins of tomatoes, milk (dried or UHT), soup, fruit, custard, instant coffee and tea bags.

**PARISH REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE:** A short update of work over the last few months on the proposed new Church Centre. Our architects, Matthew Lloyd Architects, have submitted revised plans based on Islington Council's helpful feedback. We now enter a new consultation phase until 14 December. During this time, new plans are available to view on the welcome desk. Do ask Matthew, Pat, Tania or Verity to talk you through them if you wish. You can also see them on Islington Council's website by searching under our application number: P2017/4445/FUL. If you would like to write to Islington Council in support of the scheme, your input would be most welcome - please email our case officer, Emily Benedek, at [emily.benedek@islington.gov.uk](mailto:emily.benedek@islington.gov.uk) quoting the application number above. Most importantly, we ask you to pray for the success of this project to help us put 'roots down, branches out'.

## *mORE NEWS...*

**STEPNEY VOCATIONS MORNING - FEBRUARY 24<sup>th</sup>:** Do you have a sense of calling to a form of authorised ministry in the church? This could include: commissioned pastoral assistants, youth workers, lay chaplains, LLMs or ordained ministry. The morning runs from 9.30am to 1pm and is being held at St Peter de Beauvoir, (N1 4AT). Please book your place via the Stepney Area website: <http://stepneytrainingcentre.org/course/vocations-day> or by emailing: [stepneyadmin@london.anglican.org](mailto:stepneyadmin@london.anglican.org)

**WHO CARES? AN INTRODUCTION TO PASTORAL CARE:** Are you interested in caring for others? This course will give you an insight into what pastoral care is all about and what good practice looks like. This 7 week course is open to all and starts on March 6th @ 7pm @ Stepney Centre for Training and Development, Hemsworth St, Hoxton N1 5LF.

For more information and to book a place contact [polly.arthur@london.anglican.org](mailto:polly.arthur@london.anglican.org) or visit <http://stepneytrainingcentre.org/course/whocares/>

**HOW TO GIVE TO CHRIST CHURCH** – The success of our work at Christ Church depends on planned financial contributions from you, our congregation, with many of you being very generous indeed. You can make regular donations in several ways: by direct debit through the Parish Giving Scheme (preferred), by standing order direct to Christ Church, through Virgin Money Giving, by numbered envelopes and through Give as You Earn. Leaflets with further details are available at the welcome desk and you can find helpful information at [www.christchurchhighbury.com/financial-giving](http://www.christchurchhighbury.com/financial-giving) If you would like to discuss your giving, please contact Evelyn Thomas our giving secretary [evelynthomas196@gmail.com](mailto:evelynthomas196@gmail.com).

**ISLINGTON CENTRE FOR REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS** – Is an independent charity, open 3 days a week. Our students, in most cases, have no income or financial support and in the case of asylum seekers cannot work to support themselves. In addition to the teaching of English, advice, support and practical help is given to students. Tea, coffee, lunch are provided and food supplies 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 (no out-of-date products please) 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](http://www.islingtoncentre.co.uk). Facebook and Twitter (Follow @IslingtonCentre) - Thank you, Christine O'Brien.

## *NEXT SUNDAY AT CHRIST CHURCH...*

<b>February 18<sup>th</sup> 2018</b>	<b>9.00am 11.00am 6.30pm</b>	<b>Holy Communion Holy Communion Christian Meditation</b>
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*Notices for this sheet should reach the Church Office by 12 noon on Thursday. Thank you*

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## TIME TO PRAY AND READ ...

Holy God,  
you know the disorder of our sinful lives:  
set straight our crooked hearts,  
and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

<b>MONDAY, February 12</b>	<b>Psalm 44</b>	<b>John 3: 1-21</b>
* For children and school staff on holiday this week		
* All who are unemployed		
<b>TUESDAY, February 13</b>	<b>Psalm 48</b>	<b>John 3: 22-end</b>
* For our Memory Café		
* All who work in the medical and healing professions		
<b>WEDNESDAY, February 14</b>	<b>Psalm 38</b>	<b>1 Timothy 6: 6-19</b>
* For those who mediate in difficult situations and promote peace		
* Those living in poverty or oppression		
<b>THURSDAY, February 15</b>	<b>Psalm 77</b>	<b>John 4: 1-26</b>
* For our relationships with each other and our community		
* Emergency and rescue organisations		
<b>FRIDAY, February 16</b>	<b>Psalm 3</b>	<b>John 4: 27-42</b>
* For our Winter Night Shelter		
* Prisoners, refugees and homeless people		
<b>SATURDAY, February 17</b>	<b>Psalm 71</b>	<b>John 4: 43-end</b>
* For those who feel alienated from society		
* The worship of the Church		
<b>SUNDAY, February 18</b>	<b>Psalm 77</b>	<b>Matthew 3</b>
* For us all as we come together to worship today		
* The natural world and the resources of the earth		

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