



## **Newsletter 8th March 2023**

## Dear Everyone

Greetings to you all in this rather shivery weather. I hope you are managing to keep warm. Why not come and join us in a warm church with coffee and cake on Wednesday mornings, it takes our minds off the cold!

**Please note** that there are two events taking place very soon that are headlined in **Red** to draw your attention to them. One is on Sunday with our bishop, the other is the beginning of the Lent course on Thursday that will continue in each Thursday until the end of Lent.

Bishop Rob's Prayer Walk on 9 March: Bishop Rob has invited everyone to join him on a Prayer Walk on 9th March walking between particular places in the Barnet Deanery. It is expected that the Bishop will arrive at Golders Green Bus Station by 2:30 pm. We will go to the Clock Tower where we will pray for the Golders Green Parish (for people in our parish, the station, the business community and all the places of worship in Golders Green). The Bishop will then come to the church and pray for us after which he will walk to the Child's Hills Parish.

You are welcome to join the Bishop and other clergy in person or in your homes to pray for our parish and the Deaneries. Please do come.

**Our Lent Course:** starts on Thursday evening 9<sup>th</sup> March from 6.30pm. It will take place each Thursday throughout Lent in-person and by zoom. Details of the content are below. Please let Kamran know if you are likely to come straight from work as he will be providing refreshments.

**Word Day of Prayer 2023:** The World Day of Prayer that was held last Friday, hosted in our church, went very well indeed. It was attended by the Mayor of Barnet and a number of guests from different denominations. Pictures and a piece about it are below.

Lecture at St Paul's Cathedral: Professor John Barton, distinguished theologian and Church Historian, will be giving a lecture on his definitive book, "A History of the Bible: The Book and its Faiths". His book is the culmination of a lifetime's work. Professor Barton will explore the Bible's long evolution, how much good translations matter, and what contemporary scholarship reveals about the Bible, including how we understand its place at the heart of our faith.

If you would like to attend this event at St Paul's (or get on the link) please let Kamran know, or, by go to the St Paul's website where all details are given. Email: <a href="mailto:adultlearning@stpaulscathedral.org.uk">adultlearning@stpaulscathedral.org.uk</a> for more information. You can also receive their future programmes and get on their mailing list.

I will be going so if anyone would like to come with me it would be good to have company.

Fairtrade Fortnight: Just to remind you that "Fair Trade Fortnight" continues this week during which we



are reminded of the importance of buying from producers in countries where farmers are supported by receiving a fair deal for their produce and better working conditions. In church our coffee, tea and sugar are all Fair Trade goods. If you cannot see them on the shelves of our supermarkets it is often a good idea to ask where they are – it does remind their staff produce is on the shelves!

**Nigeria:** We continue to pray for Nigeria as the country currently goes through elections to choose new leaders. We pray for peace and tranquility and God's blessing and hope for unity and harmony in the country.

The Night Shelter Project: started on Tuesday 28th February and continues until 18 April 2023. Nehr reported on Sunday that it is going well. It is not too late if anyone wishes to help. Please get in touch with Nehar on <a href="mailto:neharbird@gmail.com">neharbird@gmail.com</a> or at the Sunday Service.

**Birthday Greetings:** How good to see Nwando back from Nigeria and celebrating her 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday. On Sunday we also celebrated the birthdays of Daniel, of Maia, Rose's granddaughter, of Nwadi's son, Junior, and Bilan.









**Wednesday morning coffee:** Finally, please come and join us for coffee, cake and chat in a warm church on **from 10.30am -12.30pm.** It will be so good to see you.

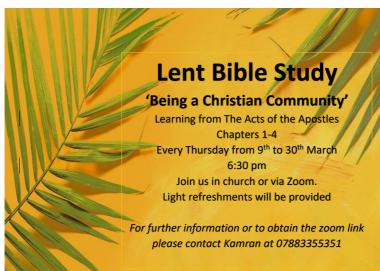
Please note that there will not be a Newsletter next week as I am away in Coventry for a few days.

All good wishes and love

Sally

#### **Our Lent Course**

Kamran is going to take one aspect in turn each Thursday with opportunities to discuss questions and issues that arise.







## Word Day of Prayer 2023: I Have Heard about your Faith.



Every year the Christian women of a specific country have compiled a service for the World Day of Prayer. It is a worship event that takes place all over the world at different times on that day and in a large number of places. It is thought of as a huge wave of prayer going across the world and linking us all together and has been taking place since February 20, 1920 when the first Friday of Lent was established as a joint day of prayer for missions and was celebrated for the first time at that time.

This year the service was written by the women of Taiwan; a country that has had been the centre of superpower struggles and isolated internationally for decades. Only few countries have recognized it as a sovereign country. The service included letters of encouragement for the many women who face suffering and injustice and voices of Faith that resonate with women across the world. It was so good to come together with friends from different denominations, worship together and have tea afterwards being able to spend time talking and catching up. We welcomed the Mayor of Barnet, councilor Alison Moore, who spent a great deal of time with us talking with everyone. How good it was to see Anita after so long. It was a real pleasure and hope we see more of her when she and Simon are able to come. We miss them.

We thank the inter-denominational committee in our area for putting in a great deal of organization and work to make it such a good, prayerful service.













## **Coventry Litany of Reconcillation**

I am off to Coventry for few days this weekend with Anglican-Lutheran Society members from the UK and Europe. Out theme is, "An Ecumenical Response to the Violence of War". There will be speakers who have worked and still are working, in Ukraine and other areas of conflict and natural disasters.

Below is the Litany of Reconcilliation that is prayed in the Cathedral every Friday. Please pray for us as we take part in the day and all suffering countries.

## The Coventry Litany of Reconciliation

All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.

The hatred which divides nation from nation, race from race, class from class,

God of Peace Forgive.

The covetous desires of people and nations to possess what is not their own, **God of Peace Forgive.** 

The greed which exploits the work of human hands and lays waste the earth, **God of Peace Forgive.** 

Our envy of the welfare and happiness of others, **God of Peace Forgive.** 

Our indifference to the plight of the imprisoned, the homeless, the refugee, **God of Peace Forgive.** 

The lust which dishonours the bodies of men, women and children, **God of Peace Forgive.** 

The pride which leads us to trust in ourselves and not in God,

God of Peace Forgive.

Be kind to one another, tender hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

## **Toddlers Club**

The Toddlers club is on every from 9.30-11.30am. It is held in church. There is a £3.00 entrance fee. For further details contact: 0 208 455 1873

#### How We Are

We send all those who are sick our love. Please continue to pray for all who have been unwell that they may gain in strength and good health as well as those who are grieving because of loss of a loved one.

**Sheila**: We send our prayers and love to Sheila who is unwell. We hope she gets better soon and is back with us.

**Sylvia**: We also send our love and prayers to Sylvia who is unwell and hopes she recovers soon.

We pray for Alexis grieving for her mother Alice.

Please continue to pray for **David Agbim**, **Sheila**, **Gideon**, **Rose and Eunice**. We hold them in our hearts that they may be filled with God's healing love.



Please continue to let us know of family members and friends who are sick and would welcome our prayers, either by WhatsApp, email, <a href="mailto:Kamran@gg-pc.co.uk">Kamran@gg-pc.co.uk</a> or by phone, 020 8455 1873

## **Prayers with Kamran**

- from Mondays to Thursdays, Kamran will be in church at 9.00am for a short time of prayer with anyone who would like to join him. This does not have to be compulsory; you are welcome to stay home and pray for the church and the parish each day for 15-20 minutes;
- he will also be in church each day for those who would like to visit and talk with him. Please consider making an appointment to ensure that he will be available to meet with you;

## **Topic: Church Wardens' Personal Meeting Room**

Join Zoom Meeting

https://zoom.us/j/8585545365?pwd=em85aDF5ZmJ5ZkVlb0xDaDhIY2paUT09

Meeting ID: 858 554 5365 Passcode: J4FbKf

Meeting ID: 858 554 5365 Passcode: 400416

Find your local number: https://zoom.us/u/aemYT2p1YY

# Church Bulletin The Parish of Golders Green Parish Notices: 05/02/2023

**Sunday Service with Sunday School**: 10 am - After the service, Prayer ministry is available for anyone who wishes to receive prayers.

Night Shelter Project – 28th February - 18 April 2023. our church will be hosting 17 homeless people.

World day of Prayer Service – Friday 3 March 2 pm. For further information please speak with Sheila and Sally

**Bishop Lent Pilgrimage 9 March –** An invitation to join Bishop Rob's Prayer Walk on 9 March walking between particular places in the Barnet Deanery. Bishop and clergies will be arriving to Golders Green station by 2:30 pm. For further details, please speak with Kamran

**The Community Coffee Morning –** All welcome. Every Wednesday from 10.30am to 12.30pm. Communion Service will follow straight after.

**The Toddler Group** – Every Tuesday from 9.30am to 11.30am. Please join us for song, laughter, play, reading, crafts, tea & coffee, biscuits & fruit.

**For your prayers -** Please remember Alexis and family wo just lost her mother, Anita as she is grieving the loss of her brother, Rose grieving for her friend, Myfanwy grieving for her sister. Please continue to pray for Tony, Mike Houghton, Eunice and Naila for God's healing.

Rota for Sunday 5 March

Reader: Cynthia Intercession: Sally
Hospitality: Rose/Ezim Eucharist Minister: Tony
AV Desk: Thomas

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## **Church Rota**

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Date	Bible Passage	Readers	Intercessor	Refreshments	Eucharistic Minister	Av Desk	Service leader
05/03/23	Isa 2:1-5	Cynthia	Sally	Rose/Ezim	Tony	Thomas	Jenny
	John 3:1-17						
12/03/23	Rom 12:1-3	Sam	Nehar	Catherine	Tim	Onyeka	
	John 14:15-27						
19/03/23	Acts 4:32-36	Nwennaka	Nwadi	Naila	Daniel	Shaniv	Alexis
	John 13:33-35						
26/03/23 Bring & Share	l Cor 12:12-31a	Tatyana	Rose	Nehar/Chinwe	Nwadi	Elizabeth	
	Mark 12:28-34						
02/04/23 Palm Sunday	Isaiah 61:1-3;	Dozie	Annie	Nwando	Tony	Tony	
	Matthew 21:1-11						
07/04/23 Good Friday	Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9	Keith	Alexis	Bilan	Naila	Thomas	
	John 18:1-19:42						
09/04/23 Easter Sunday	Colossians 3:1-4	Abi	Jenny	Ezim	lfeyinwe	Onyeka	
,	John 20:1-18						