

Newsletter for Sunday 28 January 2024

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This Sunday 28 January

Making Disciples 3 - Just Ask Jesus

10.30am Morning Worship with Holy Communion

In-person, all welcome. with groups for children. Streamed live via YouTube, available shortly thereafter.
To listen live instead, call 020 8191 0680.

6.30pm Evening Worship

In-person only, all welcome.

In The Week

Mon 29 1.00pm Hope Café

January 7.00pm English Conversation Class

Wed 31 9.15am Boogie Angels

January 1.00pm Wednesday Fellowship

7.00pm English Conversation Class

(Beginner)

Thurs 1 7.30pm The Bible Course

February

Next Week - Sunday 4 February



Making Disciples 4 - Putting it into Practice (with Bishop Lusa)

10.30am Morning Worship with Holy Communion, Baptism and Confirmation

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CAP Money Coaching – A free Money Management Course Fully Booked!

This is a brilliant course and we have had record sign ups! Financial pressures continue and we are all feeling the effects. This course helps us to examine our finances, sharpen up our framework for managing them and achieve peace of mind, or work out what help we need. If you missed out on signing up this time, and you would like to register your interest to attend a future Money Course, please email us at moneycoaching@st-gabriels.org to let us know. For participants who have signed up for the current course, the next session is on Tuesday 30 January at 7:00pm.



The Bible Course You can still catch up!

This is a Bible Society course that is all about the Bible! It's an 8 week course full of content to help you be more confident with scripture. The course has started but it's not too late to take part, just <u>visit</u> <u>our website</u> to sign up, don't worry if you miss the first session we can catch you up as needed



Youth News

There is a pause for Friday Night Youth until February, however the next Sunday youth with be on 28 January so see you then!

Prayer Points

Join us as we pray for:

- All who will be participating in The Bible Course and CAP Money Course.
- All who will be participating in Confirmation Classes and those who are considering Baptism.
- Gerrie as she explores all God has for her in this exciting new season
- Those that are unwell at this time and those caring for them.
- Those who are recently bereaved and their families as they grieve. Especially Trevor Ward as he mourns the loss of his wife Cylma.
- Our congregation and members of the wider community and the opportunity to welcome newcomers to St Gabriel's.
- Our church building, hall and surrounding grounds.
- Our PCC, CAP Angels and all those who contribute to help us run St Gabriel's.
- Our clergy and staff team and their families as they prepare for their team development day.
- Bishop Lusa and Bishop Sarah and their families.
- Our National Health Service.
- All who are in war zones, seeking safety and a fresh start life through global refugee and asylum seeker processes.
- Members of our congregation as they go on holiday for rest and relaxation, or to be reunited with their family members.



Can you help us?

We have a number of bookings that come up from time to time at the church hall. There is a team of people that help to unlock and lock the hall as well as make sure it is clean and tidy for the next event. We have a growing pool of people that we call upon to help and we are able to pay you to help. It's the ideal role for someone that has the right to work here in the UK but might need some occasional hours to top up their salary or to go alongside study or for someone that is only looking to work a few hours to top up a benefits arrangement. If you are interested, please contact

vishani.rajasekera@st-gabriels.org.



Ash Wednesday is on 14 February at 7:30pm - Evening Service with Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes

There is a pause for Friday Night Youth until February, however the next Sunday youth with be on 28 January so see you then! The first day of Lent is called Ash Wednesday. We will be holding a special Ash Wednesday Evening Service with Holy Communion and Ashes. The ashes are made from burnt palm crosses from the previous year. Please do come along and join us for this service. Lent, has been kept since the time of the Apostles and is considered a time for spiritual strengthening for the faithful. This is the reason that many of us give up something symbolically by denying ourselves small luxuries and pleasure such as chocolate, during this time and pray for God's compassion, show compassion to others, and concentrate on spiritual growth.



February Family Fun - Wed 14 Feb 9.30am - 11.30am

Come and join us for some family fun for you and your under 11's this half term

we'll open the doors at 9.30am and have lots of fun activities including a café with drinks and snacks for kids and grown ups, toddler toys, a movie crafts and more.

You will need to <u>book a ticket</u> as we are expecting to fill the event quickly. The tickets will cost £3 per family but once you're in everything is free. If there is a problem with the cost get in touch with <u>susie.yeates@st-gabriels.org</u> as we have some free places available.



