Golders Green Parish Church – Newsletter 12 May 2022



Christ in Majesty by Jacob Epstein Llandaff Cathedral - Wales

**Greetings to everyone.** I hope you are enjoying this beautiful Spring weather - we deserve a break.

This is to remind you that on **Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>** after the service, we will be holding our Vestry and Annual Parochial Church Meetings (APCM). These are very important meetings for all churches. Please read the article below about what it is for and what takes place if you are unfamiliar with it. Please also remember to make sure you are on the Electoral Roll. Information about how to sign up is also below.

We were all so sorry to hear that Kamran and Naila were unwell. There are so many bugs doing the rounds at the moment, and we hope they both make strong recoveries. We welcomed the Revd Natasha Beckles from St Martin's Church Gospel Oak to take the service and the opportunity to talk with her afterwards.



We have a reminder of the **Night Shelter Fund Raising day** we are taking part in which will be on 3<sup>rd</sup> July and the **Bring and Share Lunch** on the last Sunday of each month. Do sign up.

I went away for a few days with friends last week and saw a great variety of church and city architecture, ancient and modern. I thought you might like some of the history and photographs.

With Love and Good Wishes – Sally

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# Night Shelter Fundraising Event on Sunday 3 July - Nehar

Following the end of the Night shelter project this year, it was thought that some fundraising was necessary to raise funds for this project to add to any government grant which fell short of the needs this year.

A fundraising event is being organised for **Sunday 3 July 12.30 – 4.00** which will be hosted by our church. This will bring our church family and the local community together and raise the profile of TiB and work they do. We hope to have stalls selling food, face-painting, magicians, raffle, people doing a mini talent show. The money raised will go towards supporting the work of the Night Shelter. If you feel able to help in any way, please email Jennifer in the church office or talk to me on Sunday.



**Annual Parochial Church Meeting** 

The APCM is a time when we look back over the year, read and discuss the reports on key aspects of church life. At the Vestry meeting (which is usually very short) we review the finances and appoint auditors. At the APCM, as well as discussing the reports, we elect the PCC and Deanery Synod members.

It is also important that all people who attend church sign up to be on the Electoral Roll. The Electoral Roll is made up of those over the age of 16 who regard Golders Green Church as their parish church and regularly worship here. It is literally a list of those eligible to vote at these two annual meetings.

Have you signed up yet to be on the electoral roll? If not, you can get a form from Jennifer at the office, <u>Jennifer@gg-pc.co.uk</u> or 020 8455 1873. There will be forms on the table at the back of the church on Sunday. Please do add your name as it is important as members of this church you have a say in what takes place. If you are on the electoral roll, it

means you are eligible to vote on church matters and stand for the Parochial Church Council (PCC).

If you would like to stand you will need to be proposed and seconded by a church member. If you would like to think about becoming a PCC member, please don't hesitate to speak to Kamran or one of the church wardens. You will be so welcome.



# BRING AND SHARE- GOLDERS GREEN PARISH CHURCH

In the last few months due to Covid restrictions, the church has been providing food on the last Sunday of the month.

Since, we are slowly moving back to normality, we hope to start **"Bring and Share Option"** to reflect and celebrate the diverse multicultural community within our parish.

Therefore, on the **29<sup>th</sup> of May**, we hope you will be encouraged to share the richness of your cultural cuisine via the "Bring and Share Option", in turn the church will provide plates, cutlery, drinks, paper napkins, tea and coffee.

See below some of different food options. It would be great if you could email the office. Let's eat together!!

Meat Dish		Fish Dish		Vegetable /Salad Dish		Sweets/Desserts	
Dish Name	Prepare d by	Dish Name	Prepared by	Dish Name	Prepar ed by	Dish Name	Prepare d by
•	•	•	•	e.g., Spanish Omelette	• Silvi a	•	•
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### **Church and City Architecture**

Spending a few days in the West Country with two dear friends, we decided we would drive to Cardiff to see the array of buildings that have been constructed since the 2<sup>nd</sup> WW when the docks took a pounding. We went on an open top bus to get the maximum view, which saved walking, but allowed us to see the main buildings and areas. What struck us was the amazing range of architectural styles, from medieval to the present day. Hugely modern spacious designs in the dock area, with the sweeping and open millennium building, where Dr Who was made and concerts are given, among many other events.





One of the most recent and stunning statues was erected in tribute to the first black head teacher in Wales. Her name is Betty Campbell, who was born in Tiger Bay in 1934. Through sheer determination she won a scholarship to Cardiff Girls High School graduating as a teacher and then becoming a head teacher. She did so much more in the community for diversity and recognition of black culture. She was so loved by her pupils, their parents, and the community that when she died a statue was erected to her. Her daughter has carried on her mother's profession and is now a Head teacher in Brent.



The medieval architecture in Cardiff was exemplified by the castle with its splendid clock and castle walls where the stonemasons, with their consummate skills, had carved different animals climbing over them looking as if they were trying to escape rather than protect the inmates – love the humour as well as the craft of the stonemasons.



Llandaff Cathedral, a few miles outside Cardiff, is a fine example of a building that had suffered from continuous damage from the time it was built in the 11<sup>th</sup> century. On entering the main doors, you cannot but help be struck by the huge monumental arch spanning the nave, created by Jacob Epstein of, "Christ in Majesty," made with concrete and steel and dedicated in 1957.



In a side chapel there is a display of stunning tiles by the pre-Raphaelite artist, Dante Gabriel Rossetti, all existing alongside medieval tombs, and carvings. So much to absorb in this tiny Cathedral in comparison with others.





On other days we explored Bath and local villages with which we were more familiar and just enjoyed being together and having a much needed break. I can recommend taking hop-

on-hop-off buses, they are good value for money and save legs that cannot walk that far with ease!

### How We Are

We are all so sorry to hear that both **Kamran and Naila** have gone down with what sounds like a nasty throat infection. We send them lots of good wishes and prayers for a speedy recovery.

**Simon** who has has not been at all well with a chest infection over the past couple of weeks is making progress and we pray for a good recovery. Please pray for Simon's father, Mike, who is also unwell.

Please continue to pray for all those who have been unwell that they may gain in strength and good health and those who are grieving because of a loss of a loved one; we think especially of Ann, Gideon and family.

It would be so good if you could let us know either by **WhatsApp, the newsletter, phone or email** about anyone who is not well, bereaved or would appreciate our prayers.

Rose, who has been staying with her brother Benny and family in the States for her niece Mira's wedding to Michael, has sent some beautiful photos. Here are just a few.







### **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;
- Wednesday evening prayer time takes place in church at 7.00pm The prayer meeting will take place both in person and via Zoom. Please see the link below.

Topic: Church Wardens' Personal Meeting Room Join Zoom Meeting https://zoom.us/j/8585545365?pwd=em85aDF5ZmJ5ZkVlb0xDaDhIY2paUT09 Meeting ID: 858 554 5365 Passcode: J4FbKf

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An 800-year-old Oak Tree at Fredville Park Nonington Kent

# The Parish of Golders Green Parish Notices: 15/05/2022

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

Weekday Events - Wednesday 7 pm prayer group in church and by zoom. All welcome.

**Annual Church Parochial Meeting** (APCM) will be held on 22 May 2022 at 12 pm after the Sunday Service. All welcome.

**PCC Meeting** will be held on Sunday 15 May after the Service.

The Toddler Group has now resumed after Easter, every Tuesday during term time. If you can volunteer a few hours of your time will be great. Please email the office or speak with Rev Kamran.

**Bring and Share Lunch** will take place straight after the service on Sunday 29 May. All welcome to bring a dish to share. Contact Silvia (07913446002) or office for more info.

# **Pictures Board is here**

Please send your pictures to Kamran or Jennifer if you would like to put your picture on the prayer board. You can send the picture through WhatsApp/ email.

# For your prayers:

Please continue to prayer for Eunice, Simon, Margaret for God's healing. Please also prayer for all those who are grieving for their loved ones, especially for Ann and Gideon, and for Festus, Fiona, Kelechi and entire family.

Rota for Sunday 15th May: Reader: Elizabeth Hospitality: Naila

Intercession: Sally AV Desk: Tony

**Contact details:** Parish Priest: Revd Kamran Bhatti Office Tel: 020 8455 1873, Mobile: 07883355351 Website: <u>www.gg-pc.co.uk</u>

# **TODDLER GROUP**@ GOLDERS GREEN CHURCH



Meet weekly on

Tuesdays 9.30-11.30am

# **£3.00 Entrance Fee**

Held in the church

More details contact the office

020 8455 1873

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# Church Rota from May to June 2022

Date	Reading	Readers	Intercession	Hospitality/ Steward	AV (Audio Visual) Desk
15/05/2022	Acts 11:1-18 John 13:31-35	Elizabeth	Sally	Naila	Tony
22/05/2022	Acts 16.9-15 John 14.23-29	Tatyanna	Ann	Sally	Thomas
29/05/2022 Ascension Sunday	Acts 1:1-11 John 17.20-end	Ifeyinwe	Nwando	Sheila	Tony
05/06/2022 Pentecost	Acts 2.1–21 † John 14.8–17 [25–27]	Alexis	Nehar	Nwando	Shaniv
12/06/2022	Romans 5.1-5 John 16.12-15	Tim	Nwadi	Silvia	Thomas

# SONGS OF WORSHIP:

We Adore You - Corey Voss, Ana Paula Valadao, REVERE (Official Lyric Video) https://youtu.be/zimoMzC71SQ

Jesus I Need You - Hillsong Worship https://youtu.be/IKM-8CZRpll

## Links to Services

# If you're looking for online prayer and worship opportunities, here are some suggestions:

#### Daily worship:

https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/church-online: including

- Prayer for the day
- Services of daily prayer
- Time to pray app and podcast

<u>https://www.stmartin-in-the-fields.org/whats-on/?category=204</u> livestreamed daily services and some one-off services on particular themes and issues.

https://pray-as-you-go.org/ Pray as you Go (a short service each day in the Jesuit Tradition)

The following links take you to prayers and reflections on particular themes:

**Covid:** <u>https://www.churchofengland.org/resources/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-churches/coronavirus-covid-19-liturgy-and-prayer-resources</u>

Mental health: some short reflections to support good mental health: https://www.churchofengland.org/resources/mental-health-resources/supporting-goodmental-health

Ukraine: https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/emergencies/ukraine-crisis-appeal

Climate justice: <u>www.climatesunday.org</u>

Environmental issues: https://arocha.org.uk/prayer-diary/

The world's poorest communities and those affected by emergencies and conflict: <a href="https://www.christianaid.org.uk/pray/faith-resources/prayer-library">https://www.christianaid.org.uk/pray/faith-resources/prayer-library</a>

The London Institute for Contemporary Christianity (LICC) offers a series of prayer journeys which you can sign up to here: <u>https://licc.org.uk/ourresources/prayer-journeys/</u>

### **Daily Bible readings:**

https://www.christianaid.org.uk/pray/daily-bible-readings

LICC also offer e-mailed '**Word for the Week'** each Monday. You can sign up here: <u>https://licc.org.uk/ourresources/word-for-the-week/</u>

**Daily Hope** - The Church of England Phone line church service - is available 24 hours a day on **0800 804 8044** – has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions in mind.

We at Golders Green Church will continue to offer a number of ways we can and will keep in contact though emailing and phoning each other, the use of Facebook and the website, sending out updates by supporting those who need shopping, prescriptions fetched, letters posted and anything else you may need if you are isolated at home, whether you are in the over 70-year-old age group, or, have underlying health conditions. The important thing is, PLEASE LET US KNOW by emailing churchwardens@ggpc.co.uk

# Radio, Television and Online Worship

You may wish to join in worship during this time through television and radio. Check online, in the Radio Times and elsewhere for details: Songs of Praise BBC 1, Sunday afternoon, variable times Sunday Worship BBC Radio 4, Sunday, 8.10am Choral Evensong BBC Radio 3, Wednesday Daily Service BBC Radio 4 (Longwave only), weekdays, 9.45am Big Sunday Service Premier Christian Radio, Sunday, 7am, 8am, 10am Easter Sunday Eucharist A service is usually broadcast on the BBC on Easter morning Free 24 hour telephone church service 0800 804 8044 Online resources Church of England Daily Prayer https://www.churchofengland.org/prayerand-worship/join-us-service-dailyprayer https://mailchi.mp/b9d86a4acdc7/coming-up-from-st-pauls-cathedral-1274047?e=377e26b1db St Paul's Cathedral have a number of resources available for us to use. Church of England Online Resources during this time https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronaviruscovid-19-liturgy-andprayer-resources Go On-line to "ps://www.achurchnearyou.com", put in Area or post code and find a local church that broadcasts Worship. Prayers from Christian Aid https://www.christianaid.org.uk/pray/churches/coronavirusprayers https://pray-as-you-go.org/ Pray as you Go (a short service each day in the Jesuit Tradition) LICC have some great resources on their website https://www.licc.org.uk/ Especially on Covid-19 https://www.licc.org.uk/ourresources/prayer-journeys/presence-

pressure-purpose/