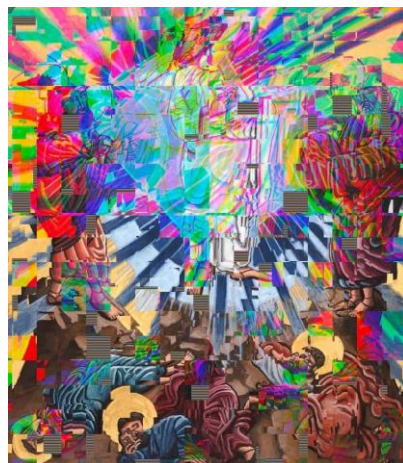


NEWSLETTER

Newsletter 15th February 2024



Transfiguration icon: Kelly Latimore

Dear Everyone – Greetings to you all.

As Kamran pointed out on Sunday, Lent is upon us, starting on Wednesday, 14th February, with very little breathing space between the celebrations of Christmas and Epiphany. So now we embark on six weeks reflecting on the journey of Jesus towards the pain of his trial, his crucifixion and then the joy of his resurrection and what it means for us. I wonder how each of us will embark on these weeks? We will have in church a time to read and discuss the Letter of James on Thursday evenings; perhaps we will give up some things we enjoy, (might be worth reading the Pope's comments about Fasting) (below); or join in the wide range of Lent courses available. Whatever we do it is hoped we are strengthened in our faith and support for each other.

Birthday celebrations: On Sunday it was Sylvia, Shaniv and Theo's turn to have Happy Birthday sung to them and prayers offered for a good year ahead. We all, of course, enjoyed the delicious birthday cakes.



Intercessions from Alexis: So many have been and are expressing deep concern about the large numbers of children being killed, injured, losing their parents and relatives in wars, it is hard to think of the pain of loss these young victims are experiencing. They are the innocents of war, who, if they survive face bleak futures.

We cannot but help thinking of the words of Jesus, who cared for little children, and the warning he gave to anyone who harmed them. The intercessions on Sunday by Alexis expressed the feelings we all have so well and we thank her for them. They are printed below for us to read, pray with, and, long for the time when their sufferings cease and some kind of healing takes place.

Bible Study: Kamran is holding weekly discussions from now on throughout Lent each Thursday from 6.30pm in the church room (where the Sunday School meet) or, for those who find it easier, by zoom. The discussions will be on the Epistle of James. Looking forward to seeing you.



Kamran has also suggested that for our daily Lent reading it would be good to read the Gospel of Mark which takes us through much of the earthly ministry of Jesus and his death and resurrection. It is a powerful gospel, upon which, it is said, the others gospels have been based.

Margaret Morgan's Funeral: Simon, Anita and myself went to Margaret's funeral on Tuesday, 13th February. It took place in the 900 year old church of St Peter and Paul, Saltwood, in Kent. It was a funeral so worthy of Margaret, with her family and friends in attendance. Rex, who had been visiting her regularly in her care home took the service. It was so good to meet up with Rex and Sarah and see how well they both are. We gave our good wishes to them both from everyone and they sent theirs back to all of you. Our former Bishop of Edmonton, Peter Wheatly travelled down from London to be at the service. Simon is going to write a piece on the funeral which will include, Margaret's brother, John's eulogy. This will be in next week's newsletter.



The Toddler Group: Thank you to those who responded to the appeal to have more help for the Toddler group. It is so important that we have the right number of adults helping each week. It need not be every Tuesday but if we could get a Rota of people going, for what is 2.5 hours in the morning it would be great and support Ifey who does such good work managing this with others. If you feel able to help or know anyone who would like to do so, please let Kamran or Tracey know on 020 8455 1873.

Diary of Yearly Service Celebrations: Attached to the newsletter, as an extra page, is a time-line of Services and Events that are taking place throughout the year. It will be helpful as an Aide-Memoir to put on your Kitchen notice board or in your mobile phone.

Baptism/Confirmation classes: Please let Kamran know if you, or any member of your family, would like to be confirmed. Now we have a newly appointed Bishop of Edmonton (Revd Canon Dr Anderson Jeremiah) it will be great to have him confirm members of our church family.

Wednesday Morning Coffee: from 10.30am-12noon. Our time of gentle exercise is going well followed by coffee and a chat – and it is fun - so do come and join in. **Please note that there will be no coffee morning this coming Wednesday on 21st February.**

Malcolm Guite writes about, Ash Wednesday and Valentine’s Day: Malcom Guite is the most popular poet and retreat taker, whose poems and reflections are regularly published in the Church Times and published in his many books. He has written a witty article about the clash of Ash Wednesday and Valentine’s day, asking, “What do we do when these two feasts occur on the same day”. It is published below with his permission and that of the Church Times.

Words from the Pope on Fasting in Lent: As Lent has fast approached and people think about Fasting; there are some reflections, said to come from Pope Francis, on, “Do you want to Fast this Lent”. Perhaps it should have been more aptly titled, “**How** do you want to Fast this Lent”. Wise words from a wise man.

Canon Neil Evans from St Paul’s Cathedral: continuing on with the Lent theme and the importance of prayer what we have been thinking about in “Listening to God”, Canon Neil Evans, reflects from St Paul’s about prayer for the season of Lent. Printed below.

Used postage stamps for RNIB: Jenny, as previously, is appealing for our used postage stamps for the RNIB who collect them and sell them to raise funds. Please bring them to church and put them in the box provided.

Jesus on the Margins: Your attention was drawn in the last newsletter, to a discussion at St Paul’s Cathedral, which took place on Tuesday evening, between, Anderson Jeremiah, soon to be Bishop of Edmonton, & Paula Gooder, from the Cathedral. I linked into it and so did Jenny with another 200 people. I think Jenny, as did others, will agree it was one of the best most inspiring conversations we have listened to. Our bishop-to-be talked clearly and lucidly of his faith, theology & Christology from his experiences as a South Indian Dalit whose father was a pastor. It was moving and inspiring to hear. As a Dalit (untouchable) he experienced what it was like to be regarded as “on the Edge” and talked of his way of coming to terms with it and managing it. This to me, and others listening who messaged about it afterwards, showed how they were inspired at such a clear and unequivocal expression of Christian thinking and action, especially to those on the margins. What a good appointment.

If you would like to hear it the YouTube Premiere of Jesus on the Margins with Anderson Jeremiah, is available at <https://youtu.be/Y4ViUSEel48> Just click on the link and the film will start immediately. The film will be permanently available at this link. St Paul’s hope you enjoy listening".

News from the Diocese of London

Every so often a newsletter arrives from the Diocese of London with all kinds of interesting items letting us know what is happening on a wider scale in other parishes across the Diocese and events that have taken place with Bishop Sarah. It is important that we know in our Golders Green family what other churches are doing across London. Last week, for example was the 30th year of the ordination of women. To celebrate this Bishop Sarah had a party for all the ordained women in London- all 180 of them. There is a write up of that below. She also attended an inner city church who has a long term plan to create affordable housing for people in its area and writes on its progress. So many good and supportable things are taking places in our churches that we don’t always hear about. Hope you enjoy reading about them.

Finally, there is a comment below by the Bishop of Chelmsford, The Rt Revd Dr Guli Francis-Dehqani, who has given a strong response to some inaccurate and inflammatory words by a number of politicians about the tragic case of the mother and children attacked with acid by a man who had been granted refugee status, on the third application, by the Home Office, The media, and one particular MP, claimed it was because he had converted to Christianity and then went on to blame the Church. His, and the comments in the media were so predictably full of inaccuracies that Bishop Guli felt compelled to make a statement about them which is printed below. We cannot allow inaccuracies such as the comments made go unchecked as they were so wrong. What happened to the mother and her children was terrible and should not have been. We pray for her and her children's recovery and that she receives much support. There was a discussion on the Sunday BBC 4 Radio programme, if you would like to listen and hear what clergy do about those who come for conversion and the guidance they are given which gives a far more accurate picture. Go to:

Google, "Sunday Programme bbc Radio 4" and listen to the section, **"Asylum Conversions"**, where you will hear the MP giving a distorted and inaccurate view of what took place and Bishop Guli giving the facts.

With love and good wishes – Sally



Intercessions by Alexis

Heavenly Father

in a world often marked by conflict and division there is a special place in our hearts for the most vulnerable among us, the children with their innocent laughter and dreams embody the hope of a brighter tomorrow.

Today we pray for the children of Palestine in Gaza. To seek divine intervention, healing and peace for these young lives caught in the midst of conflict.

Father, we come before you with heavy hearts, burdened by the suffering of the precious children in this land. We lift their innocent souls to you. Knowing that you are a God of compassion and mercy, and you have a special love for the little ones.

We ask for your comfort in the face of the horrors, destruction, and loss they have experienced. We pray for your healing touch to mend their physical and emotional wounds.

Restore their innocence, Lord, for they should not bear the weight of this conflict. Lord Jesus, you showed great love for children during your time on earth. You welcome them with open arms and blessed them.

We pray that the children of Gaza may experience your love and that you provide them with the necessary resources for their safety.

We also pray for the hearts of those who have caused harm to these children. Lord, touch their souls with your love and bring about a change in their heart. Lead them away from violence and hatred, towards reconciliation.

As we pray for the children of Palestine, we also remember the children of Israel. They too, bear the burdens of this conflict. Bring unity and healing to the hearts of all children in this region.

Regardless of their background. Let them grow together in peace. And may they be the generation that helps to build a brighter future.

Almighty God, we trust that you hear our prayers. And that your love extends to every corner of this world. And may it be a testament to the enduring power of faith and love in times of adversity.

We offer this prayer in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. Lord in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Almighty God

we come to you today and give thanks for all our teachers. Thank you for the way in which they give of themselves each day in the classroom, serving and instructing the next generation of this land. We pray Lord, that you fill their hearts with courage. Fill them with your strength, so they may rise to every challenge and not grow weary.

Sustain teachers who give everything they have. Strengthen teachers who assume the blame for so many problems beyond their control. Fill them with your wisdom, so that they may be able to make good judgment when guiding and helping others. Lord in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

We especially put our Sunday school teachers before you. We pray that they recognize their special role in the spiritual development of young ones. Give them the wisdom to lay a strong spiritual foundation for children to lead their lives. Let them be a good example to our young people to develop a desire to know You.

In Proverbs 22:6, you said, "Teach children how they should live, and they will remember it all their lives". We thank you for the gift of our children in this congregation.

Bless their ears to listen and understand the stories about you. Sow your wisdom into their minds as they read the bible. Let them continue to grow in their faith. Lord in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Finally, we pray for king Charles with his recent cancer diagnosis. We pray for his healing. Father, we know at the foot of the cross we're all equal. We're all your children. And so, we pray for every other person who have been impacted by this disease.


We remember all those who are sick in our congregation and pray for their physical and emotional healing. And we remember our sister Sylvia with the recent loss of her mother and all those who have departed from us. **May their souls rest in peace and rise in glory.**

Amen. Merciful Father, accept this prayer for the sake your son our saviour Jesus Christ.

The Pope's Words on Fasting for Lent

**DO YOU WANT TO
FAST THIS LENT?**
In the words of Pope Francis

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

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Malcolm Guite asks - What do you do when a feast and a fast occur on the same day?

SINCE some feasts are moveable and others more constant in their orbit round the year, we sometimes have the liturgical equivalent of a planetary eclipse, when two feasts occur on the same day. Sometimes, one is sacred, the other secular, as was that time when Good Friday fell on 1 April, All Fools' Day. That coincidence was, of course, a gift for all who wanted to preach on the folly of the cross, on the foolishness of God as wiser than the wisdom of men.

Usually, if two feasts occur on the same day, there is a simple solution: celebrate both! With feasting, the rule really is "The more the merrier." But what happens when a feast and a *fast* coincide? Does the feast eclipse the fast or the fast the feast? We shall each have to decide before Wednesday; for, this year, Ash Wednesday and St Valentine's Day coincide. Should one eclipse the other?

It would be easy to argue that Ash Wednesday takes precedence: it is older, more settled, and certainly more central to the faith. It is an inflection point in the liturgical year, turning us with Christ towards the complete self-offering of the Passion. By comparison, veneration of Valentine, and certainly his association with romantic love, come rather late in the day — and, these days, Valentine is surely more embedded in the secular than the sacred. So, that would mean ash on the outside this Wednesday, and nothing on the inside. It would mean cancelling that Valentine's dinner booking, burnt roses turned to ash, and the Valentine's wine turned back into water.

But there's another way to look at it. At the heart of Ash Wednesday is repentance, a turning and returning; a turning away from self, with its incessant demands, a turning towards love with its grace in giving and forgiving. Perhaps the remembrance and celebration of romantic love involves just such a turning from self to the other. Valentine himself was a martyr — martyred, among other causes, for encouraging the marriages that saved young Christians from conscription in the imperial army.

Whatever the case with Valentine himself, a day to remember love, to celebrate and renew it — so that even the banked embers of a long, settled, and comfortable love might show a little spark and flame — seems unequivocally a good thing.

Although *eros* is only one of “the four loves”, as C. S. Lewis called the four Greek words for love, and, although *agape*, the love that St Paul describes in 1 Corinthians 13, is the greatest of the four, yet *eros* has its place in keeping and kindling the others. In marriage, there is room not only for *eros*, but also for *philia*, deep friendship, and for *storge*, too: that comforting familiarity, that sense of home.

And, sometimes, by prayer and grace, these three lesser loves are transfigured and together become *agape*: the love that is “patient and kind, that keeps no score of wrongs, that bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things”.

So, on balance, I don't think I'll be cancelling the table that I've booked for myself and Maggie on St Valentine's Day. After all, there'll be plenty of Lent left for fasting.

Exploring Prayer Canon Neil Evans reflects on prayer for the season of Lent



Canon Dr Neil Evans is the Canon Steward at St Paul's Cathedral, responsible for the stewardship of people and resources within the mission and ministry of the Cathedral.

We're not on our own! Spending some time this Lent reflecting on and exploring our practice of prayer can be time well spent.

This may well be something you can do with a good book on prayer; there are loads out there, and I'm not going to burden you with more recommendations. But the health warning is, watch out for those who tell you the 'right' way to pray rather than suggesting that this is a way that they or others have found helpful. The company of a good author through Lent can be truly refreshing in our listening to God.

And it is really worth considering finding a Spiritual Director (or Spiritual Accompanier). Someone who has had training and who will accompany you along the path of prayer. A Spiritual Director will spend time in listening to you and will make suggestions of ways to enhance your prayer life. Importantly, they will pray with you. There are no experts in prayer, but there are those who have spent time in learning and reflection, and whose experience can be invaluable. You can find out more about Spiritual Direction, and find a Director, from the London Centre for Spiritual Direction.

It may also be that you have a friend or someone from church who you can pray with or listen to God with. No one's experience of prayer will be the same, but listening and talking with others can help us reflect. I think it's really important to take things up for Lent (as opposed to giving things up – though you can do that as well!). Taking up a conversation on prayer in Lent can help our ongoing conversation with God; in listening, in talking, in simply being still.

Save your stamps for RNIB - Jenny



Collect stamps for RNIB and make a difference to blind and partially sighted people. If you receive cards or letters through the post, you might wonder if there's anything you can do with the stamps on the envelopes. The answer is 'yes'! There are charities that collect and then sell them to raise much-needed funds for their work.

One of those is RNIB, the Royal National Institute of Blind People. It's the UK's leading sight loss charity and offers practical and emotional support to blind and partially sighted people, their families and carers. You can find out more here: <https://www.rnib.org.uk/>.

They ask us to save stamps from envelopes, leaving a border of 1cm all the way round if we can. They accept all stamps: new or used, first or second class, foreign, first day covers, presentation packs or albums, and they can raise £20 for every kilogramme of stamps they receive. It's easy to do, but to make a difference it needs lots of people like us to send stamps to them.

In December I suggested that as a church we collect our stamps and then send them to RNIB. I put a box on the table at the back of the church, which is still there ready to be filled! Thank you to those of you who've already brought some – that's a good start, and please don't stop! Please would everyone else start saving whatever stamps come through your door and bring them in and ask friends and family to let you have theirs as well. I'll make sure they all get sent to support this very good cause.

This is a simple way to make good use of something that we might otherwise just throw out. The more stamps we send to RNIB, the more people they'll be able to help. Thank you.



Spring - Green Shoots and Daffodils bringing Hope

The Bishop of London's Newsletter – Items of interest in the Diocese

“The Voice of this Calling” - 30 years of women priests



On Wednesday 25 January 180 of the women clergy of the Diocese of London, representing over half a millennia of ministry between them, gathered to celebrate 30 years of women priests at a special event entitled, “The Voice of this Calling.”

Hosted by Bishops Sarah, Joanne and Emma, supported by those ordained in 1994, it was both a joyful and poignant occasion with a deep sense of shared ministry and support.

Five ordained women shared their experiences of serving the body of Christ in profound reflections on ministry. It was particularly powerful to hear from one of the early pioneers, ordained 30 years ago.

Paula Gooder, Canon Chancellor of St Paul's Cathedral reminded the gathering that in the Scriptures women often waited a long time to receive the blessings of God's call. But in words from TS Elliot's poem *Little Gidding*, our women clergy were exhorted to keep responding to “the drawing of this love”; resolute that “we shall not cease from exploration”; finding in ourselves “the voice of this calling.”

London's Diocesan 2030 Vision: Racial Justice

Speaking about London's 2039 vision Bishop Sarah said:

“This London vision sets out our ambition for racial justice: how we plan to move forward to truly representing the body of Christ in all its richness – and grow healthily. To reach every Londoner we need to be active in combatting racism and racial injustice. The contributions made by the Racial Justice Priority Group have been invaluable, and I'm in no doubt that Anderson (our new bishop of Edmonton) will help lead this transformative work as we continue to tackle the evil of racism here in London.”

“St George-in-the-East rallies for affordable housing alongside Shadwell community”

One church in a deprived area of the City is doing a great deal to help the numbers of their people who need affordable homes. They have been planning a project together for 7 years to achieve this. This is an account of their progress and determination.

“On Friday 26th January, local residents came together with the church community of St George-in-the East to celebrate progress of the 7-year campaign for affordable homes on Cable Street, Shadwell, and to make renewed calls for the project to be delivered. The celebration marked the latest stage in the campaign led by St George-in-the East, as part of Tower Hamlets Citizens, to secure the delivery of affordable housing for 41 families via a community land trust development.

The project will help address the significant housing needed in Tower Hamlets. Figures from 2021 show that in Tower Hamlets, 1 in 6 people live in overcrowded accommodation, with the need for new housing developments being acutely felt by members of the community.

Over 100 local residents gathered by the site, which is a 2-minute walk from St George-in-the East, alongside the Bishop of London, Sarah Mullally, and the London Deputy Mayor for Housing and Residential

Development, Tom Copley. They were joined by students from St Paul's Whitechapel, a local Church of England primary school, and members of the East London and Darul Ummah Mosques, all of whom have given vital support to the campaign as it has progressed. Local residents shared testimony of the struggles they face in securing affordable housing, and a prayer was offered by Bishop Sarah in commemoration of the campaign's progress. "Housing is an issue that affects every community in London, and parishes across the Diocese of London like St George-in-the-East are at the front of the community response". Bishop Sarah stated, "It is my sincere hope that progress is made soon to realise the ambition of delivering 41 new, affordable and safe homes for local families.". Let us hope they succeed and house families who badly need a permanent affordable and safe home over their heads. We wish them well.

Bishop: Churches' support for asylum seekers shouldn't be seen as a magic ticket



The Bishop of Chelmsford writes that links made between the abuse of our asylum system and the action of bishops in Parliament are simply wrong.

"It is the calling of clergy to baptise and bring people to God. When a candidate who is an asylum seeker is prepared for baptism, the guidance given to clergy includes the need for discernment." 'The plight of refugees the world over is a shared responsibility and one we must shoulder together – locally, nationally, globally. We must do so not by demonising those who arrive on our shores, but by recognising our shared humanity and, as Christians would put it, seeing in others the face of Christ."

I know that behind every statistic is a human story and I have a sense of the real trauma that many asylum seekers have experienced.

Christians are called to follow the example of Jesus who, throughout the Bible, focuses his love and care on the most vulnerable and marginalised people in society.

Commentators this week have largely ignored the fact that churches do this by helping disadvantaged people of all backgrounds – including asylum seekers – to eat, to sleep, to worship, to find shelter and to be connected to the services which can support them. As a Christian leader I make no apology for our involvement in supporting people who are often deeply vulnerable and traumatised.

But churches have no power to circumvent the Government's duty to vet and approve applications – the responsibility for this rests with the Home Office.

It is the calling of clergy to baptise and bring people to God. When a candidate who is an asylum seeker is prepared for baptism, the guidance given to clergy includes the need for discernment: "to be 'wise as serpents and innocent as doves'. Clergy must be confident that those seeking baptism fully understand what it signifies". **The Rt Revd Dr Guli Francis-Dehqani, Bishop of Chelmsford**

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.

Modupe's brother: It was with deep sadness that we heard last week of the death of Modupe's brother, **Oluwole Odulana**, in Nigeria. We send love, condolences and prayers to Modupe and her family on her loss.

They are attending Margaret Morgan's funeral on the 13th February in Kent, and have kindly offered to take me too. The card of condolence, signed by our church family members, saying how much we appreciated her service to this church and all she did for us will be given to her brother John Maberley. We pray for her with love and gratitude.

Kelly's Father, John Rudge, is making a good recovery from his operation and is now home recuperating, being looked after by his family. Kelly sent this lovely message of thanks to everyone. *"Please thank everyone in church for dad and me; their prayers have been phenomenal. The love and support I've felt makes me the richest poor person ever. Dad is now being transferred to a bed in a ward and will now start his road to recovery 🍷💉 I thank each and every person in church for playing a part in his journey xxxx"*

We keep in our prayers **Sheila Grodzinki, Anita and Simon, David Agbim, Chuba Agbim, Eunice Adiele, Gideon Onwutalu, Annie Bwanaope and Rose Ochwada**. We hold them in our hearts that they may be filled with God's healing love.

Please pray for a full return to health for **Tony**. We pray that God's healing spirit may come upon him and help him make a good recovery.

Please continue to let us know of family members and friends who are sick and would welcome our prayers, either by WhatsApp, email, Kamran@gg-pc.co.uk 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. Kamran 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

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Reader:

Intercession:

Hospitality:

Eucharist Minister:

AV Desk:

Contact details:

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GGPC Rota Feb – Mar 2024

February 24 – March 24								
Date	Bible Passage	Readers	Intercessor	Refreshments	Eucharistic Minister	AV Desk	Duty Managers	Service leader
11/02/24	2 Corinthians 4:3-6	Elizabeth	Alexis	Silvia	Sally/Tony	Onyeka	Florance	
	Mark 9:2-9							
18/02/24	1 Corinthians 9:24-27	Sam	Anne	Sally	Ifeyinwe/Onyeka	Dozie	Tim	Jenny
	Mark 1:40-45							
25/02/24	2 Corinthians 1:18-22	Abi	Jenny	Nehar/Chinwe	Tim/Naila	Ruth	Chinwe	
Bring & Share	Mark 2:1-12							
03/03/24	2 Corinthians 3:1-6	Keith	Nehar	Ezim	Nwadi/Nehar	Shaniv	Alexis	Alexis
	Mark 2:13-22							
10/03/24	Eph. 2:4-10	Kool	Tony	Bilan	Ifeyinwe/Onyeka	Onyeka	Florance	
	John 3:14-21							
17/03/24	Hebrews 5:5-10	Poppy	Nwadi	Cynthia	Sally/Tony	Dozie	Tim	Nehar
	John 12:20-33-							
24/03/24	Phil. 2:8-9	Nwennaka	Sally	Silvia	Tim/Naila	Ruth	Chinwe	
Palm Sunday	Mk. 11:1-15:47							
29/03/24	Philippians 2:5-11	Andrew	Nwando		Nwadi/Nehar	Shaniv	Alexis	
Good Friday	Mark 14:1-15:47							
31/03/24	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	Khan	Jenny	Ezim/Daniel	Ifeyinwe/Onyeka	Onyeka	Florance	Alexis
Easter Sunday Bring & Share	Mark 16:1-8							

Services and Event dates for GGPC 2024

Services

- Ash Wednesday - 14 February at 6:30 pm
- World day of pray - 1st March (venue to be confirmed)

- Maundy (Holy) Thursday – 28 March 5 pm ???
- Asian Lent Service - 28 March 6 pm

- Good Friday - 29 March at 10 am
- Stations of the cross ???

- Easter Sunday – 31 March 10 am
- Ascension Day (Thursday) 9 May at 7 pm
- Pentecost Sunday – 19 May
- Trinity Sunday – 26 May
- Harvest Sunday - 22 September
- All Saints' Day – 1 November
- Christ the king Sunday - 24 November
- Carol Service – 22 December

Social Events

Ideas

1. picnic on Hampstead Heath with a visit to the newly renovated Kenwood House;
2. A retreat with an inspiring speaker.
3. re- engaging with the St Alban's Abbey Festival Day in June
4. perhaps a visit to Canterbury Cathedral and a guided tour round the Cathedral.
5. Joint BBQ - 21 July (Sunday)