

News & Events

STATIONS OF THE CROSS SUNDAYS IN LENT AT 4pm

We follow the journey of Jesus from His being condemned to death by Pilate to his death and burial, stopping at each of the 14 'stations' around the walls of the church to hear the story of our Lord's last hours, to reflect and to pray. This is a quiet, often moving act of worship, lasting about 30 minutes.

QUIZ EVENING SATURDAY 17 MARCH 7pm

We are holding a Quiz Evening on Saturday 17 March, starting at 7pm. £5 per person; bring your own food and drink. Do come along, and bring your friends to what is always a fun evening. For more information please speak to Jannis Abley.

EASTER LILIES

Our church decorations for Easter will include a display of lilies in memory of loved ones who have died. A list of names will be placed next to the display. The lily is the traditional flower of Easter, symbolising love, hope and resurrection. We are asking for a donation of £2 for each lily which you should give to Fr Stephen together with the name(s) of the person you wish to remember.

FEBRUARY FINANCE NEWS

Our income for the month was £14,628; expenditure was £7,945. Income included: £1,519 giving in collections; £3,326 hall rent; £2,369 rent from Ingleby Road flats; £6,344 Gift Aid refund from HMRC; £970 investment interest. Expenditure included: £4,483 monthly payment to the diocese; £590 gas and electricity; £490 hall cleaning; £744 electrical repairs; £219 insurance; £50 hall repairs.

MONTHLY SILENT PRAYER

Planned for tomorrow, this has now been cancelled because of the clash of dates with the Citizens UK meeting (see below).

WATERAID LENT APPEAL

We are collecting money during Lent to support the work of WaterAid, who are raising money to provide toilets and clean water in schools in Pakistan. Donations can be put in the Jar of Change at the back of church during Lent. You can learn more about the WaterAid Lent Appeal by watching this short video:
www.youtube.com/watch?v=wnGtdCPIXxs

CITIZENS UK

Redbridge Citizens are invited to a relational meal, issues workshop and turnout training meeting that we are having on **Monday 5 March from 18:45 – 21:00 at the Salvation Army in Ilford**. We will be having dinner together from 18:45 -19:15. Please can you bring an alcohol-free, vegetarian dish, so we can eat together. The meeting will officially begin at 19:15.

The different groups on housing, homelessness, crime and youth will be reporting back on the research that they have done and they will be proposing specific issues to include in the Citizens Agenda for the Accountability Assembly on 24 April. The Accountability Assembly will be attended by members from all member institutions in Redbridge, members of Redbridge Council, cabinet members and the leader of Redbridge Council.

We look forward to spending time getting to know one another and building our collective agenda for the Assembly.

Andrea Kiso

St Margaret of Antioch, Ilford

Welcoming, transforming and growing together in God's love

Weekly News Sheet

Sunday 4 March 2018

Third Sunday of Lent



Worship & Intercessions

THIS MORNING

Welcome Team: Ray Wood and John Nouchin

Setting: *St Anne's Mass:* James MacMillan

Readers: Roz Williams and Theodora Acolatse

Eucharistic Ministers: Jenny Bowen and Stephen Romaniuk

THIS WEEK

The Eucharist

10.30am Thursday (*Edward King, Bishop*)

NEXT SUNDAY

Fourth Sunday of Lent

10.30am Sung Eucharist

4.00pm Stations of the Cross

WE PRAY THIS WEEK FOR:

The sick and those in need:

Roy Young, Kevin Henaghan, Janet Potter, Jane Surtees, Grace Martin, Ann Fox, Christobel Trumpet, Janet Edwards, Monica Martin, Joergen Nielsen, Avril Sangow-awa

The recently departed, including, Adrian Haler, Peter Chambers and Sarah Shepherd

Those whose anniversaries of death fall this week:

4th: William Haynes

5th: Frederick White

6th: Sidney George, Beryl Horton, Philip Moxon, Charles Gearing

7th: Mabel Falle

9th: Donald Kingston

10th: Raymond Pugh, Mary Herbert

Welcome to St Margaret's Church

We hope you enjoy worshipping with us. If you are here for the first time please or visiting from another church, please introduce yourself. If you would like more information about anything to do with St Margaret's please contact us.

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Collect

Eternal God,
give us insight
to discern your will for us,
to give up what harms us,
and to seek the perfection we are promised
in Jesus Christ our Lord
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

First Reading: Exodus 20: 1-17

Then God spoke all these words: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

Psalm 19

R: You have the message of eternal life, O Lord.

The law of the Lord is perfect,
it revives the soul.
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
it gives wisdom to the simple. **R**

The precepts of the Lord are right,
they gladden the heart.
The command of the Lord is clear,
it gives light to the eyes. **R**

The fear of the Lord is holy,
abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth
and all of them just. **R**

They are more to be desired than gold,
than the purest of gold
and sweeter are they than honey,
than honey from the comb. **R**

Second Reading: I Corinthians 1: 18-25

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Gospel acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord,
whoever believes in me will never die.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!

Gospel: St John 2: 13-25

Prayer over the Gifts

Gracious God,
as we come to your table,
reconcile us to one another,
that our communion in Christ
may truly give you praise.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Lord,
grant your people grace to withstand the temptations
of the world, the flesh and the devil,
and with pure hearts and minds to follow you,
the only God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Which parts of the Bible do you read the most? Why do you gravitate more to them? Which parts of the Bible do you read the least? Why do you avoid them? What 'nutrients' do you think might be missing in your reading of the Bible?

Some bible verses to use during the week. Read them, pray about them, listen to what God might be saying to you in them and allow them to change you.

I would feed you with the finest of the wheat, and with honey from the rock I would satisfy you. (*Psalm 81: 6*)

Give us this day our daily bread. (*St Matthew 6: 11*)

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. (*St John 6: 35*)

Remove far from me falsehood and lying; give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with the food that I need. (*Proverbs 30: 8*)