

**St Matthias Church**  
**EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**Sunday 3rd March 2019**

**Welcome all** visiting with us for the first time and invite you all to join us, after mass, for Coffee/tea at the back of Church

Sunday 3rd	<b>EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	Parish Mass 11am
Monday 4th	<b>FERIA OF EIGHTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	Mass 10am
Tuesday 5th	<b>FERIA OF EIGHTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	Mass 6pm
Wednesday 6th	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>Mass 10.15am &amp; 6pm</b>
Thursday 7th	<b>THURSDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	
Friday 8th	<b>FRIDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	
Saturday 9th	<b>SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	Mass 10.am
Sunday 10th	<b>LENT I</b>	Parish Mass 11am

**QUIZ NIGHT**

Thank you to everyone who came to our quiz night last night, although not as well attended as usual, it was appreciated for the support and the funds raised. All monies raised will go towards the electrics.

**LENT**

**We need your PALM CROSSES from last year**, please return by Tuesday evening the latest, otherwise we won't have any ashes to burn! Mass on Ash Wednesday will be at **10am and 6pm** so everyone can have the opportunity of beginning Lent correctly!

**FISH N' CHIP SUPPER**

Of course, we will have our pre-Lent Fish n' Chip supper in the church on the Tuesday night following Mass at 6pm, and it is politely requested that all monies must be paid by **today** we are asking **£10** for a special from Mickey's Chippy and although slightly more than what Mickey charges, all the rest will go towards the electrics. Bring your own wine etc.

**PATRONAL FESTIVAL**

Will take place on Sunday 12th May, and we are very pleased to announce that we have The Venerable Lyle Dennen coming to preach for us. Fr Lyle who was once the Archdeacon of Hackney is very pleased to be coming back to see us and looks forwards to being with us for our 168th Birthday Party...more details about this event nearer the time, but please start letting family and friends know of the date.

**LENT AND EASTER**

This Wednesday launches the start of Lent, so please begin your Lenten journey by coming to at least one of the Masses on the day. There is the opportunity of attending the Lent study course on How the Bible came to be and The God of Israel.

We will also be putting out forms for the Easter flowers about Lent IV, so that names can be printed for the Easter leaflet. This is an opportunity of remembering our loved ones at the joy of the Resurrection; all monies and forms should be given to Yvonne no later than Palm Sunday; after this date, names will not be printed

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## **SECONDARY SCHOOL REQUESTS**

In the past few weeks, I have been approached by various families to sign applications for secondary schools. I only sign if the families are known regular attendees of this church which means attending for at least 2x month for at least a year. It is not me being awkward, this is a requirement of any secondary school applicant and so being offered some money towards this church will not benefit the family, as I am in serious breach of depriving another child from a school place if they conform to the school's requirements of obtaining a place in a school. It is very difficult to be offered a choice of a school if one does not conform to the school's policies.

## **SID WILLS**

Has offered to run The Great North Part Marathon in September. He usually raises funds for Cancer Research, but because St Matthias has been a part of his life for many years, he has suggested that he would like to raise funds for the church and its restoration! The amazing thing about Sid (who co-jointly runs the Yoga in the church halls) is that he is 78 years young!

More information about this will be available soon, but we hope that many of us will offer our support as he runs the 13.5 miles.

## **SOME DATES FOR DIARIES**

Wednesday 6th March Ash Wednesday, Sunday 14th April Palm Sunday, Friday 19th April Good Friday, Sunday 21st April Easter Sunday, Sunday 12th May Patronal Festival.

## **ELECTORAL ROLL**

A message from the Diocese of London; the Electoral roll for the whole of the church will need to be totally updated this year. Therefore, everyone will need to fill in a form and return them by 1st April 2019. If anyone does not do this, your name will NOT AUTOMATICALLY be updated and you will not be on the electoral roll. Some may ask why you need to be on the roll; this gives you privileges to vote at an AGM; to receive the benefits of belonging to the parish and gives access to Church Rights. Please see Sheryl for a form.

## **TEA AND CAKE WITH PETS AGAINST LONELINESS**

St Matthias Halls is delighted to be hosting a monthly get-together for local organisation Pets Against Loneliness and we'd love to see as many of you there as possible. It's for people who would like contact with animals but for whatever reason, can't have their own pet. Tea and coffee and cake are served. The sessions are held on the first Saturday of each month, from 10am until 12noon on an informal drop-in basis. The events are free to attend.

**Pastoral Matters: Including: Baptisms, Confirmation, Weddings, Funerals and Confessions.**

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