

# St Matthias Church

## LENT IV

### Sunday 31st 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 31st	<b>LENT IV Mothering Sunday</b>	Parish Mass 11am
Monday 1st	<b>Feria of 4th week of Lent</b>	Mass 6pm
Tuesday 2nd	<b>Feria of 4th week of Lent</b>	Mass 6pm
Wednesday 3rd	<b>Feria of 4th week of Lent</b>	Mass 10am & Poverty Elevenses
Thursday 4th	<b>Feria of 4th week of Lent</b>	
Friday 5th	<b>Feria of 4th week of Lent</b>	
Saturday 6th	<b>Feria of 4th week of Lent</b>	Mass 10.am
Sunday 7th	<b>LENT V</b>	Parish Mass 11am

#### MOTHERING SUNDAY

Welcome to today's Mass as the Church celebrates this wonderful Day! Readings and prayers will be carried out by the younger members of the congregation!

We would like to thank the Mothering Union for their support in providing the daffodils today!

#### LENT AND EASTER

Study group resumes this Tuesday evening following mass at 6pm.

We are now in the process of updating the Memorial Book, so if you wish to have your loved one remembered, please fill in a form. As well as keeping the existing names in the book of remembrance, this is an opportunity of adding new names, or making corrections. The opportunity of updating the book, will close on Palm Sunday, therefore, names will not be added beyond this date until at least 2 years' time!

Please remember that after Mass/fellowship on Palm Sunday, when entering church throughout Holy Week, there is SILENCE in church. Please be mindful and respectful of those who enter church in silence and wish not to be disturbed by interruptions or whispering!

Remember, awe and respect precedes faith!

#### EASTER FLOWERS

At the Standing Committee during the week, it was unanimously agreed, before the meeting of the PCC today, that it would be most beneficial to ask for "Easter Flower" monies to go towards our electrics. This is because we are seriously short of £28K and we need to raise as much funds as possible before the end of August, otherwise we are in breach of our contracts. Usually, we collect about £700 towards flowers and it simply cannot be justified to put much needed money on flowers when we need to raise the money for the electrics. Therefore, it is with much hope that we are generous as possible and continue to support the Easter donations. We will still print the Easter Pamphlet, but won't have as many flowers to decorate the church, we will of course, have some flowers, but not as many... **YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED URGENTLY.** Please offer your monies to Yvonne.

#### MOTHERS' UNION MEETING – NEXT SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2019

Will be held next Sunday following Parish Mass.

#### WEBSITE

Have you looked at our wonderful website? [www.stmchurch.co.uk](http://www.stmchurch.co.uk)

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## **NEWINGTON GREEN ALLIANCE**

### **A SPECIAL EVENT FOR EVERYONE IN NEWINGTON GREEN!**

**TODAY - SUNDAY 31ST MARCH - 3:00 TO 6:00 PM, NEWINGTON GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Food. Live Music. Activities for children. Hear from the charities working to make a difference in our lives. Celebrate our community and join us in making Newington Green a better place for everyone. Children welcome! Help choose how we can improve our area!

### **PATRONAL FESTIVAL**

Will take place on Sunday 12th May, and we are very pleased to announce that we have The Venerable Dr 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 forward to being with us for our 166th Birthday Party...more details about this event nearer the time, but please start letting family and friends know of the date. We will of course be accompanied by The Chorus of Dissent.

### **SATURDAY 13TH APRIL: ST JOHN'S PASSION**

Chorus of Dissent will be holding their annual concert, and this year, they will once again be performing St John's Passion...Please look out for further details and tickets; our very own, Antonio will be playing/singing Jesus! Tickets are selling very fast.

### **APCM**

All reports need to be in by Palm Sunday; 14<sup>th</sup> April as the APCM will now be held on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

### **ELECTRICS**

Works for this will begin on Monday 13th May, the day after our Patronal Festival, and will last for approximately 16 weeks...this is a correction from last week. Please be patient! It has been agreed that no midweek mass will take place whilst works are in process, especially as work equipment will be stored in the Lady Chapel. If anything can be certain after the resurrection, is that the church will look magnificent!

### **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. Forms are available from the back of church and are to be returned to Sheryl our Electoral Roll officer.

### **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.