



# ST. PETER'S CHURCH SEPTEMBER 2016

# BROADSHEET

A MONTHLY NEWS ROUND-UP FOR THE PARISH OF ALDBOROUGH HATCH

## Services

### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September

*Fifteenth Sunday after  
Trinity*

8am Holy Communion  
10.30am Morning Prayer  
6.30pm Holy Communion

### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September

*Sixteenth Sunday after  
Trinity*

8am Holy Communion  
10.30am Holy Communion  
6.30pm Evensong

### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September

*Seventeenth Sunday after  
Trinity*

8am Holy Communion  
10.30am Family Service  
6.30pm Holy Communion

### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September

*Eighteenth Sunday after  
Trinity*

8am Holy Communion  
10.30am Harvest Festival  
Holy Communion  
6.30pm Evensong

### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

*Nineteenth Sunday after  
Trinity*

8am Holy Communion  
10.30am Morning Prayer  
6.30pm Holy Communion

### Weekdays

The church is open for private prayer  
Wednesday (10.30am to 12noon)

### Wednesdays

10am: Holy Communion



## Unwanted, unloved, uncared for . . .

As Harvest-time approaches in the countryside there are many signals of the approaching harvest. Many combine harvesters and

more workers around to help bring it in, but in the city we hardly notice it come and go. For our supermarkets have the same goods in whatever the season and we have lost all notion of fruits in their season.

We celebrate the Harvest at St Peter's to think about what God has given us. It is a chance for us to collect food and give it to the Redbridge Foodbank so that people going through stressful times may have food on their table.

Harvest-time is not just about food, however, it is also a time when we think about the other gifts that we have in our lives. The other things we need in our lives and we reflect on God's provision for us even though we do not know when those things will arrive we can look back at the past and see we have so far been given all that we truly need to get to this day.

We may feel that there is something lacking in our lives but for most of us that is not food or clothes. Mother Teresa said: *'We think sometimes that poverty is only being hungry, naked and homeless. The poverty of being unwanted, unloved and uncared for is the greatest poverty.'*

So this harvest - as well as sharing some of the things we have - let us also look around and see if we can find the unwanted, the unloved and the uncared for and show them we do care, we do appreciate them and they are loved.

**Revd Kate Lovesey, Priest-in-Charge**

## Harvest Supper

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September -  
7pm for 7.30pm**

*Shepherd's Pie, mixed vegetables,  
apple pie and custard*

***You will be very welcome to  
join us!***

Tickets £8 from Shirley Rudge  
(TEL: 020 8590 5882)

## A gift of food does more than just fill empty stomachs!

Today in Redbridge there are families struggling to put food on the table. For people on low incomes, a sudden crisis – redundancy, benefit delay or even an unexpected bill – can mean going hungry. Every day parents skip meals to feed their children and people are forced to choose between paying the rent and eating. Redbridge Foodbank provides food and support to local people in crisis. But not only that. Food banks help to prevent family breakdown, housing loss, crime and mental health problems. They take time to listen and to help people to find further support. St. Peter's is a collection point for food. Please bring food stuffs to church on Sundays or on Wednesday mornings between 10.30am and 12noon – or telephone Shirley Rudge on 020 8590 5882.

Foods needed include fruit juice (cartons), soup, pasta sauces, sponge pudding (tinned), tomatoes (tinned), cereals, rice pudding (tinned) tea bags, instant coffee, instant mashed potato, rice, pasta, tinned meat/fish, jam, biscuits, snack bars.

## Around the Hatch

### Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Once again this year we are taking part in the Christmas Shoebox Appeal – *Love in a Box* - with Children in Distress, the charity founded in 1990 to care for children in Eastern Europe. The shoe boxes, containing gifts for a boy, girl, adult or family overseas who would not otherwise receive any presents at Christmas, will be collected for despatch in the last week of October. Leaflets will be available in church or from Ron Jeffries (020 8599 7250). In recent years we have sent over 100 Christmas shoeboxes in time for the Festive Season for families who had no other presents. We were pleased that friends locally joined with us. Boxes will be needed at end of October.



(Above) The team making new curtains for the church halls during the summer holidays. The halls were painted and the church porch renovated by volunteers.

**St Peter's  
Coffee Morning &  
Bring and Buy Sale**  
Saturday 17th September  
10am to 12noon  
Preserves, books, bric-a-brac  
*All welcome!*

**St Peter's  
Beetle Drive**  
Saturday 22nd October  
3pm to 5pm



Tickets at the door: Adults £3, under 16s free (to include light refreshments)

Please let  
Chis Kerrison (020 8599 4368) or  
Jenefer Allen (020 8599 8738)  
now in advance if you will be attending.

**St. Peter's  
Christmas Market**  
Saturday  
19th November

### Let's get planting!

Last spring the pathway from Aldborough Road North to the Church Porch was alive with some 2,500 Teté à Teté Narcissus (daffodil to you and me!), snowdrops and crocus. This year we plan to plant more and to add miniature tulips (not the tall variety as they blow over in the wind).

Planting will take place on Saturday 8th October from 10am to 12noon. We would be pleased to welcome friends who wish to join us.

You may wish to bring your own bulbs (as above please – not the tall variety) or make a donation to enable us to purchase - donations may be handed to  
Brian Kerrison, Hon. Treasurer  
(TEL: 020 8599 4368).

Let's make next spring even more wonderful than this past year!

### St. Peter's Organisations

**Monday Club** – Monday 2pm  
**Beaver Scouts** – Monday 6.30pm  
**Cub Scouts** – Monday 6.30pm  
**Scouts** – Monday 8pm  
**Brownie Guides** – Tuesday 7pm  
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The following extracts (continued from last month) are from the tribute to the 1st Aldborough Hatch (St. Peter's) Scout Group given at the July service to commemorate 70 years of the Group.

### Seventy years ago!

In 1963 we pushed our trek carts loaded with tents from here - along Painters Road to Hargreaves Camp Site at Little Heath.

At church garden parties in the Vicarage Meadow we built 40-foot-high towers with pioneering poles and ropes - and invited the public to climb to the top - or we put Mums and Dads on an aerial runway that whizzed along at frightening speed and was similar to dicing with death. Health and safety were unheard of in those days.

At our two week summer camps we always went to church on the middle Sunday. In the late 1950s we camped at Machynlleth in Wales. The Minister and the organist at the nearest chapel were away on holiday so it was agreed that Mr T would take the service. All went well with the Welsh congregation joining in the hymns lustily - until Mr T - who was an accomplished pianist - struck up the hymn we sang a few minutes ago - one that Mr T always chose for every parade service here at St. Peter's - Jerusalem. I will not forget the look on the faces of the Welsh as we sang *I will not cease from mental fight - nor shall my sword sleep in my hand - till we have built Jerusalem - In England's green and pleasant land!*

Finally, may I pay tribute to the Scouts and Leaders of the 1st Aldborough Hatch (St. Peter's) Scout Group for the start they gave me in Scouting. I went on to edit the National magazine of the Scout Association - SCOUTING - and to play a part nationally and in the Scout County.

Three years ago the Chief Scout presented me with the Silver Wolf, the highest award in the Scout Movement. Whilst I wear it with pride, it is not mine - for it belongs to the 1st Aldborough Hatch - to Mr T, to his contemporaries - to Ken, Laurence, Colin, Brian, Denis, Clive, Eric - to Scouters and Supporters over the years, to Les, Roger, Irene, Chris, Brian, Jenny, Stuart, Clive, Sue and Charlie - and to all those in the years between - and let us not forget the Guides - Rita and Trudie to Louise today - and all the leaders and supporters who have given - and who continue give - their time - freely - for the benefit of young people here in Aldborough Hatch. Young people down the years say just this - *Thank you.* RJ

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