



ST. PETER'S CHURCH SEPTEMBER 2019

BROADSHEET

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

Services

Sunday 1st September

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

8am Matins
10.30am Morning Prayer
6.30pm Evensong

Sunday 8th September

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

8am Matins
10.30am Morning Prayer
6.30pm Evensong

Sunday 15th September

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

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

Sunday 22nd September

*Fourteenth Sunday after
Trinity – Harvest Festival*

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

Sunday 29th September

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion
10.30am Holy Communion
6.30pm Evensong

Sunday 6th October

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion
10.30am Morning Prayer
6.30pm Evensong

The church is open for private prayer
Wednesday (10am to 12noon)
Wednesdays
11am: Holy Communion

Coffee Morning and Bring & Buy Sale

Saturday 14th September
10am to 12noon

Bric-a-Brac – Preserves
Books

All very welcome

This year, next year . . .

Hello all of you who came to the Flower Festival. Also to all of you who came and worked and contributed with your gifts and talents. A massive 'Thank you' to you all.

I am always amazed by the special place St Peter's has in the heart of the community. This year, thanks to your generosity, we have had a successful Flower Festival, both in the wonderful displays and in the number of visitors, but also – unlike last year – we have had a successful fund-raising event too.

Each year I have the honour of listening to the compliments about the floral displays. Each year someone tells me this 'is the best year ever' and this year was no exception. This Festival is all down to a small, hard-working bunch of people. But it is becoming more difficult each year. This year we had help from people at St John's down the road.

When we read the stories of God's people we find over and over again, that God uses those who are too young, too old, inexperienced, ill-equipped, to do the most amazing things. Moses started his ministry at 80-years-of-age. Really all God needs is people ready to listen to

what he is asking of them, and willing to step out in faith to help where help is needed.

So whether it's church issues or other challenges in the local community, I am always amazed by the way people love this place and come to help.

We are talking about whether or not we will have a Flower Festival next year. This will be the 40th and it will be tempting to go out with a bang. We haven't decided yet, but watch this space.

To all of you who supported us in any way this year we are very grateful. God Bless you.

Revd Kate Lovesey
Priest-in-Charge

Children in Distress Shoebox Appeal

Leaflets will be available this month in church or from
Vanessa Cole
(TEL: 0754 398 3625).

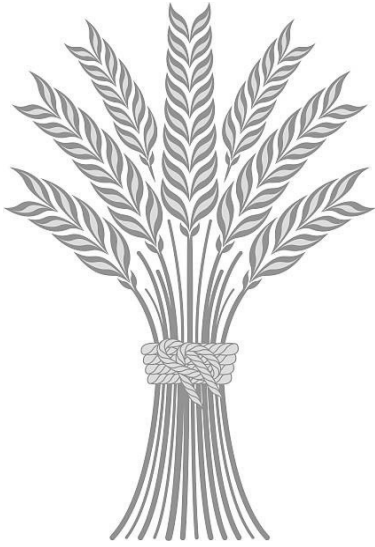
Please encourage your friends and neighbours to make up a shoebox too. Sadly, some of our supporters are no longer with us so we would be pleased to have new supporters. Some empty shoeboxes will be available in church.

Boxes will be collected at the beginning of November.

Thanks for your continued support. The leaflets carry full information that you need.

Around the Hatch

Harvest Lunch



Sunday 22nd September
12noon for 12.30pm
Roast Meal
Tickets £14 from
Linda Wright (020 8590 7248)

Tea and Talk

David Swinden:
'Behind the Blue Lamp'
Saturday 19th October
3pm to 5pm
Tickets from
Linda Wright (020 8590 7248)

Garden Coffee Morning

The event at my home on 27th July raised £472.45 for The Children's Society. This was amazing - considering the weather! It rained until about 10.30am when it was possible for folk to walk down the garden to sit in the summerhouse (shed-with-the-overhang!) in drizzle! The Coffee Morning was started by Yvonne and since Yvonne passed away we have carried it on. The sums raised total £2,389 over those five years: 2015: £508; 2016: £541; 2017: £432; 2018: £436; 2019: £472. My heartfelt thanks to all those who so kindly took things out of my hands and organised the morning and to all those who came and were so very generous. Thank you. **Ron Jeffries**



At the Flower Festival it was noted that the Bench outside the porch (above) dedicated to Mr T was badly in need of renovation and repair. The work has been carried out by Mark Lovesey, with the cost of materials met by Ken Franklin. Our thanks to them both.

Today the church halls at St. Peter's are used by the wider community, but they started life as a school over 150 years ago.

Aldborough Church School and Church Halls

In 1867 the Aldborough Hatch Church of England School was built. The Architect was G. R. Clarke. An engraved stone below the eaves may be seen today reading: *"Her Majesty Queen Victoria granted the site and £200 towards the building of this school erected to the Glory of God and to the use of the poor of Aldborough Hatch".*

The school was built to accommodate 160 boys and girls – they must have been slim! In 1893, this was one of five elementary schools within the boundary of the Ilford School Board. In 1895 the average attendance was 135.

The original building can be traced – it comprised two rooms beneath the pitched roofs which stand today. It was a simple structure – a slate-covered dual-pitch roof and walls of local yellow stock bricks, with corbelling to gables and eaves, and flat arches to the original gable windows. On the north elevation a cross in the

brickwork denotes where the school bell once hung, but who took it and when – and where is it now?

The schoolmaster's cottage was the Verger's home until the 1960s. It was demolished when unsafe in the 1970s.

The School was closed in 1912 when the building was adapted for use as St. Peter's Church Halls. The site of the Church Halls was purchased from the Crown Land Commissioners in 1948 for £50, one condition being that the land is vested in the Diocesan Board of Finance and the Parochial Church Council subject to the latter body maintaining fully the Caretaker's Cottage (which was later demolished!) and the hall for Sunday School purposes: failure to maintain these adequately would mean that the Parochial Church Council ceased to have any rights and the Crown had the immediate option of reclaiming them for £50.

The Church Halls were extended in 1958 at a cost of £4,714.14s.5d when two flat-roofed structures (which have been a problem ever since!) were added – the large Hall fronting onto Aldborough Road North and the Vestry Room on the north-west corner. The smaller of the two schoolrooms was divided into an entrance hall, a kitchen, and toilets. The Headquarters of the 1st Aldborough Hatch (St. Peter's) Scout Group was added and opened on 3rd February 1979. The building of the former school is Locally Listed by the London Borough of Redbridge. **RJ**

St Peter's Christmas Market
Saturday 16th November
10am to 4pm
Christmas goods and cards, Refreshments, Grand Draw

St. Peter's Organisations
Monday Club – Monday 2pm
Beaver Scouts – Monday 6.30pm
Cub Scouts – Monday 6.30pm
Scouts – Monday 8pm
Guides – Wednesday 7pm

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