

The Church of Saint Laurence, Upminster

PORCHTALK

15th September 2019 *Holy Cross Sunday*



Welcome to Saint Laurence. Adventurers (groups for children and young people) meet during the 9.30 am Mass in term-time. Leaders will normally invite children to join in with these at the appropriate point in the service. Activity packs and children's service books are available from the back of church. You are warmly invited to stay for refreshments in the Main Hall after the 9.30 Mass.

Today	Holy Communion	8.00 am
15 th September	Sung Parish Mass	9.30 am
<i>Holy Cross Sunday</i>	Baptism	12 noon
	Taizé Prayer	6.30 pm
Monday	Choir Association Meeting, Parish Office	8.00 pm
16 th September		
Tuesday		
17 th September		
Wednesday	Staff Meeting, Parish Office	9.10 am
18 th September	Mass	11.00 am
	PCC Meeting, Parish Office	7.30 pm
Thursday	Service, Little Gaynes Home	11.00 am
19 th September	Lunchtime Concert	1.05 pm
	Choir Practice	7.45 pm
Friday	Coffee Morning, Main Hall	10.30 am
20 th September		
Saturday		
21 st September		
Next Sunday	Holy Communion	8.00 am
22 nd September	Sung Parish Mass (Parade Service)	9.30 am
<i>Harvest Festival</i>	Baptism	12 noon
	Harvest Lunch, Main Hall	12.30 pm
	Said Evensong	6.30 pm

Mass readings next Sunday: Philippians 4:4-9; John 6:25-35

Evensong readings next Sunday: Ezra 1; John 7:14-36

Morning and Evening Prayer: 8.45 am Tuesday to Thursday, 4.30 pm Wednesday

Coffee: Bev, Maureen and Deborah

Please let Fr Roy know of anyone who is ill or in need of a pastoral visit, or housebound and wanting to receive the sacrament at home – or if you would appreciate a conversation with or visit from him for any reason.

Notices

Thanks to all who helped put on the David Pickthall Big Band Concert. The profit made was £1942.31. A special thank you to Richard for liaising with David and to Penny and Clive for the refreshments.

Rector's return from maternity leave - Susannah will be returning to church duties on October 1st. This will be on a part-time basis until January. Many thanks to all who have helped to cover her absence - especially Fr Roy and Deborah, visiting clergy and lay preachers, Christine, Chris and Nigel.

Director of Music's parental leave - Richard Brasier will be taking shared parental leave during October and November. Many thanks to Nigel Lockwood who will be providing cover during this time.

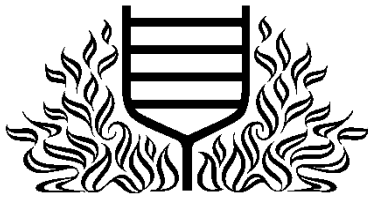
Richard Brasier presents The Complete Organ Works of J.S. Bach in a series of twenty concerts beginning on Friday 4th October at 6.30pm. Admission is free with a retiring collection in aid of the St Laurence Church Building Improvements Fund. The second concert will be on 1st November.

Lunchtime Concerts, Thursdays from 1.05pm to 1.50pm. 19th September - George Cittenden, organ (St Maria, Helsingborg) and 3rd October - Rachel Mahon, organ (Coventry Cathedral). For further details please pick up a leaflet from the back of church.

There will be a Fund Raising Dinner at Top Meadow Golf Club in aid of the Church Buildings Improvement Fund on Thursday 24th October. 7.15pm for dinner at 7.45pm, £23 per person. Please see Debbie Stewart if you would like to go.

The Hornchurch Passion Play will be staged on the Queen's Theatre Green in 2020. The Play Committee are holding a BIG Meeting to launch the production at 3pm on Sunday 6th October in North Street Halls, Hornchurch, RM11 1QX. If you would like to be involved in the production please email publicity@hornchurchpp.co.uk or visit www.hornchurchpp.co.uk/2020

Please consult notice boards under the tower and in the porch for other notices and further information



AT THE MASS

15th September 2019

Holy Cross Sunday

Introit 148

Setting A New People's Mass - *Dom Gregory Murray*

Collect of the Day

Almighty God,
who in the passion of your blessed Son
made an instrument of painful death
to be for us the means of life and peace:
grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ
that we may gladly suffer for his sake;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Numbers 21:4-9

The Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gradual hymn

Beneath the cross of Jesus
I find a place to stand,
and wonder at such mercy
that calls me as I am.
For hands that should discard me
hold wounds which tell me 'Come.'
Beneath the cross of Jesus
my unworthy soul is won.

Beneath the cross of Jesus
his family is my own-
once strangers chasing selfish dreams,
now one through grace alone.
How could I now dishonour
the ones that you have loved?
Beneath the cross of Jesus
see the children called by God.

Beneath the cross of Jesus-
the path before the crown-
we follow in his footsteps
where promised hope is found.
How great the joy before us
to be his perfect Bride.
Beneath the cross of Jesus
we will gladly live our lives.

*Keith Getty (b. 1974) and Kristyn Getty (b.1980)
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Philippians 2:6-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,

but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Alleluia *Taizé*

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

John 3:13-17

Jesus said to Nicodemus: 'No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world,

but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Offertory hymn 346

Anthem Holy Jesu, by thy passion (Crucifixion) – *John Stainer*

Communion 549
hymns 556

Final hymn 303 (v. 1-5)

Organ voluntary Trio Sonata no.1 in E flat (Allegro) BWV 525 – *J.S. Bach*

Harvest Festival, Sunday 22nd September

Extra Sidespeople will be needed to assist with the Parade Service. Help will also be needed afterwards to move the perishable food items from church to the Derham Hall where it will be auctioned, and to box up and transfer all the non-perishables to the Parish Office for delivery to the Foodbank later in the week.

If you can be available for any of these tasks please speak with Christine Foot, Colin or Margaret Jarvis.



Harvest Festival Lunch

Sunday 22nd September in the Main Hall
12.30pm for lunch at 1.00pm.

Adults are £7.50, under 12's £2.50.

To book call Joan Prudden on 01708 223744.

Charity of the Month: USPG

United Society Partners in the Gospel was founded in 1701. They are the Anglican mission agency that partners churches and communities worldwide in God's mission.



They aim to bring people together from different parts of the global church in mutually enriching conversations, to increase understanding and deepen their discipleship as inter-cultural Christians.

They make connections between the dioceses and communities of the Churches of Britain and Ireland and those overseas and seek ways in which faith and action can go hand-in-hand. They look to strengthen the unity and capacity of the Anglican Church by promoting education and leadership and by learning from each other.

They accompany churches of the Anglican Communion in their struggles against injustices associated with gender, climate change, migration, the human rights of indigenous people and inter-religious living. They support Christians across the world to form communities of hope and resistance and strive to give a platform to the faithful among those with power in the secular world.

Thank you for your sponsorship...

The Church Heating has been sponsored and so has the Communion Bread and Wine.

Sponsorship Scheme: This scheme helps to finance our common life, worship and mission as a Christian community in Upminster. You might like to remember a loved one, or celebrate a wedding, anniversary, baptism or other special occasion that is significant for you or your family. All sponsorships go straight to church funds to finance the object sponsored. Please take a leaflet from the back of church or see Christine Foot for more details.

Welcome to the Parish Church of Upminster. If we have not met you before, do introduce yourself. If you wish, give these details to one of the officials.

Name Telephone

Address

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

The prayer lists are updated on the first day of each month. If you would like to renew or add a name to the list, please fill in a form at the back of church and leave it in the Prayer Box. Those on the list for Special Concern will be held in our prayers every Sunday and will be mentioned by name either at 8.00 am or 9.30 am. Please remember all in your prayers throughout the week.

Special concern:

(8.00 am) Jim Turner, Edgar Iffland, Michael McSweeney, Lorna Wells, Albert and Jean Clements, Poppy, Thomas, Katie Louise Tape, Vera Rosindell, Ellen Stone.

(9.30 am) Yvonne Rattley, Pat Silverlock, Agnes Trievner, Pam, Hayden Keeling, Steven Roome, Stewart Ranson, Alan Evens, Justine Milner, Nick Hale.

Those receiving Home Communion this week: Pauline Wheeler and other residents of Freshfields Home, Residents of Derham House Nursing Home.

The departed: Ruth Cator, Roy Moran, Margaret (Joyce) Johnston, Daphne Harmer.

Anniversaries: Valentine Brabner, Edward Cox, Peter Cook, Richard McKane, Don Stewart, Rose Wilson, Joan Ward, Bob Bowman, Arthur May (Priest).

Please remember those who mourn.

If you would like a name added to the Anniversary list please speak to the Parish Office.

Please pray for: The people and places affected by Hurricane Dorian.

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Daily Prayers, Psalms and Readings are included in the *Time for God* Prayer Diary which you can receive on request. You may also wish to use the *Time for God* Daily Office. If you would like to receive the Prayer Diary, or would like further information, please contact the Parish Office with your contact details (email address or postal address). If you would like to update any of the 'People' information on the Prayer Diary, please speak to Nick Butler on nickbutlerupm@gmail.com or 07792123630.