

The Church of Saint Laurence, Upminster

PORCHTALK

29th September 2019 *Michael and All Angels*

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
Sunday 29 th	Sung Parish Mass with Baptism Welcome	9.30 am
September	Parents and Children First Communion Session,	
<i>Michael and All</i>	Parish Office	11.00 am
<i>Angels</i>	Said Evensong	6.30 pm
Monday	Footsteps	9.30 am
30 th September	Funeral of Joyce Johnston	1.00 pm
Tuesday		
1 st October		
Wednesday	Staff Meeting, Parish Office	9.10 am
2 nd October	Mass	11.00 am
Thursday	Lunchtime Concert	1.05 pm
3 rd October	Choir Practice	7.45 pm
Friday	Coffee Morning, Main Hall	10.30 am
4 th October	Funeral of Daphne Harmer	12.15 pm
	The Complete Organ Works of J.S.Bach Concert No.1	6.30 pm
Saturday		
5 th October		
Next Sunday	Holy Communion	8.00 am
Sunday 6 th	Procession and Sung Parish Mass with	
October	Commissioning of First Communion Candidates	9.30 am
<i>Dedication Festival</i>	First Communion Session, Parish Office	3.00 pm
	Solemn Evensong, Procession and Benediction	6.30 pm

Evensong readings this Sunday: Daniel 10:4-end; Revelation 5. **Mass readings next Sunday:** 1 Chronicles 29:6-19; Ephesians 2:19-22; John 2:13-22. **Evensong readings next Sunday:** Jeremiah 7:1-11; Luke 19:1-10.

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

Coffee: Beryl, Anne and Walter

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

During our Parish Mass today we welcome Alex Turner as a baptised member of the Church. Alex was baptised last Sunday.

Thank you to everyone involved in decorating, organising and helping out at last Sunday's Harvest Festival Celebrations. There was much happening and many of you contributed. Your efforts are appreciated.

Gill Roome will be selling her handmade cards in aid of The Polly Parrot Appeal which is our October Charity of the Month.

Ride and Stride for St Laurence Church and Friends of Essex Churches Trust: A team of 9 walkers representing St Laurence visited many of the churches in Upminster and Cranham on Saturday 14th September and on the following Saturday a team of 7 visited 17 churches in and around the City of London. If you would still like to donate please speak to Rob Brabner or email robertbrabner@icloud.com or phone 01708 457578.

Well done to Beryl Sharp for winning Carole's latest quiz and for Tony Mason for winning the prize draw. There were a lot of correct answers - except the Dunnock bird. This quiz raised around £112 for the building improvements project which takes the total Carole has raised to over £600.

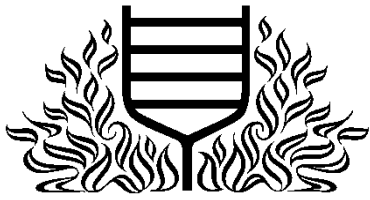
Rector's return from maternity leave - Susannah will be returning to church duties on October 1st. This will be on a part-time basis until January. Many thanks to all who have helped to cover her absence - especially Fr Roy and Deborah, visiting clergy and lay preachers, Christine, Chris and Nigel.

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.

October Feast - Thursday 24th October at Top Meadow Golf Clubhouse, 7.15 for 7.45pm in aid of our Church Building Improvements Project. Cost £23 per head for a three course meal including tea/coffee and gratuity. Please take a menu and booking form from the back of church, complete and return to Debbie or Keith Stewart by Sunday 6th October at the latest. For further details call 01708 227928 or email keithdebbie@btinternet.com

Parish Progressive Supper, Saturday 30th November at 7pm. Enjoy a culinary evening like no other journeying around Upminster to partake of a three-course meal at three different locations. Contact Linda or Tony Edge on 01708 228572. £10 per head, diners, hosts and drivers required.

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



AT THE MASS

Sunday 29th September 2019

Michael and All Angels

Introit 393

Setting Common Life Eucharist – *David Sanger*

Collect of the Day

Everlasting God,
you have ordained and constituted
the ministries of angels and mortals in a wonderful order:
grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven,
so, at your command,
they may help and defend us on earth;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Genesis 28:10-17

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went towards Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, 'I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.' Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!'

And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm 103

Richard Lloyd



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Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless his holy name.
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits;

Who forgives all your sins and heals all your infirmities; Who redeems your life from the Pit and crowns you with faithful love and compassion; Who satisfies you with good things, so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

Revelation 12:7-12

War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming,
'Now have come the salvation and the power
and the kingdom of our God
and the authority of his Messiah,
for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down,
who accuses them day and night before our God.
But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb
and by the word of their testimony,
for they did not cling to life even in the face of death.
Rejoice then, you heavens
and those who dwell in them!
But woe to the earth and the sea,
for the devil has come down to you

with great wrath,
because he knows that his time is short!

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Alleluia *Celtic*

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 1:47-end

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Offertory hymn 33

Anthem When, in our music, God is glorified - *C.V Stanford*

Communion 178

hymns 35

Final hymn 564

Organ voluntary Concerto in a minor (Allegro) BWV 596
– *J.S Bach/Antonio Vivaldi*



TABLE TOP SALE



St Laurence Church
Building Improvements

St Laurence Church Building
Improvement Fundraising
Committee are holding a
Table Top sale:

*ST LAURENCE CHURCH, MAIN HALL
CORBETS TEY ROAD, UPMINSTER*

SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 2019

Doors open at 9.00 am

50p entrance fee for adults, children free.

Refreshments available

Sellers must book and pay in advance

6ft table tops will be supplied for £10.

Sellers arrive between 7.30 - 9.00 am

Please contact St Laurence Parish Office:

01708 220696 or parish.office@upminsterparish.co.uk

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.

Shaun Furzer, a teacher at Thornhill Community Academy in West Yorkshire, is encouraging students to run to increase physical and mental health. There is a high percentage of poverty among his students and school funding has been cut. Shaun is trying to provide students in need with a starter kit so they can begin to run. If you have trainers that would be useful to either male or female secondary school students and you would like to donate them, please see Penny or Clive Edwards by Sunday 20th October, or leave them at the back of church.

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, Ellen Stone.

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

The departed: Margaret (Joyce) Johnston, Daphne Harmer, Mark Wilkinson, Bradley Ravenhill, Janet Clappison.

Anniversaries: Bob Bowman, Arthur May (Priest), Bert Groves, Doris Moore, Shirley Hodgson, Steve Sowden, Barbara Rawle, Helen Clark, Elsie Prudden, Joan Parish, George Greenland, Marilyn Rawle, Jack Collins, Pat Shore, Charles Fillery.

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: Candidates preparing for First Communion.

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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.