



## St Lawrence Jewry April 2017

### Newsletter

*St Lawrence Jewry is the church on Guildhall Yard, dedicated to bringing the light of Christ to the City of London.*

**Dear Friends,**

**"The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armour of light."** Romans 13:12 NIV

What are we putting aside this Lent?

### **AGCM – 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 6pm**

Our **Annual Guild Church Council Meeting (AGCM)** is on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017 at 6pm here in St Lawrence Jewry. This is an opportunity for all members of our electoral roll to attend and to review the work of the past year and ask questions about the future. The meeting will be followed by refreshments. All are welcome to come along.

Martin Woods, who has served us diligently for many years as our Churchwarden, Deanery Synod Representative, Petty Cash Officer and Cash Clerk, is withdrawing from all of these rolls. The positions of Churchwarden and Deanery Synod Representative are to be elected during the AGCM. Only people on our Electoral Roll can submit their nomination forms for these positions. If you are interested to any of these positions, then please get in touch with [David](#) before the AGCM. You can get the nomination forms from [Katrina](#) through email or in person at the church office.

### **Services each week**

Holy Communion remains the same at 8:30am on Wednesday and 1:15pm on Friday. Both these communion services continue to grow. Do please come along when you can.

### **Special Services**

Each year, a service is held before the first Court of Common Council of the financial year, as a way of asking God's blessings and guidance to the Common Council members as they undertake the Corporation's business throughout the year. This is one of the civic services that the Lord Mayor attends in STATE. The Sheriffs, Aldermen, High Officers and the Court of Common Council members are also in attendance. This year Court of Common Council Service will be on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April at 11:30am. The preacher will be Prebendary Jeremy Crossley, Chaplain to Sheriff and Alderman Peter Eslin.

The Guild of Freemen will have its Annual Church Service on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April at 6pm.

A Special Evensong for the Deans' Conference will be held on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 5:30pm.

### **Music**

Our lunchtime recitals are attracting new audiences as ever. Programmes for our recitals are now available in the church or in our website. Please visit [Organ](#) or [Piano](#) for more details.

The Esterhazy Singers will hold their "Of Chant and Reverie" Concert on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April at 7:30pm, directed by Andrea Brown and organ by our very own Catherine Ennis. Tickets are £15 (including interval drink) students at half price. For more details please visit their website [www.esterhazysingers.com](http://www.esterhazysingers.com) or email [sales@esterhazysingers.com](mailto:sales@esterhazysingers.com).

## Wedding

We have two weddings this month:

Elizabeth Denton & Edward Akers – Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 2:30pm

Melita Wright & Clive Haslock – Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 1:00pm

Please include them in your prayers as they start their married lives together.

## Memorial Service

A Memorial Service for John Owen-Ward will be held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 2:00pm. Please include his family and friends in your prayers.

## August Music Festival – get involved!

St Lawrence Jewry is delighted to announce that this year's August Festival is themed around the music of Johan Sebastian Bach. The Festival will run from Monday 31 July to Friday 25 August. The concerts start at 1pm and last for approximately 50 minutes, each weekday.

Would you like to help? We are looking for 2 volunteers a day to come and man the front of house, to help with the distributing of programmes, before the concert and general information and then after the concert help tidy the church. We would need you to arrive for 12.30 and you should finish by 2.30pm.

As a thank you we will be holding an end of Festival party on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> to which all our volunteers are welcome. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet lots of interesting people, promote the work of St Lawrence Jewry and of course enjoy the music.

We plan to hold a training event for 1 hour in early July, the date to be confirmed nearer the time.

If you can spare any lunchtimes in August, then please get in touch with the dates that you can offer at [katrina@stlawrencejewry.org.uk](mailto:katrina@stlawrencejewry.org.uk) or telephone 0207 600 9478. Very many thanks in advance – Katrina.

## Fundraising activities

All abroad for big donations. Collect FREE donation for St Lawrence Jewry when you book your holiday through easyfundraising. It is easy to do. Just follow these 3 simple steps:

1. Go to [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stlawrencejewry/](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stlawrencejewry/) If you have QR reader on your mobile phone or tablet, just scan this QR code.



2. Register yourself by giving your first name, last name, email address and create a password. If you're a UK taxpayer, you can help us claim 25% more, without any cost from you, by adding Gift Aid to your donation.
3. Choose from among +2,000 retailers that you want to shop. Every time you check out, the retailer(s) will donate certain percentage of your total payment to St Lawrence Jewry.

Please don't forget that we also collect used stamps to raise fund for our church. Please drop them off to the church office and we will do the rest.

## Advance Notice

May 9<sup>th</sup> - Rory Macnamara Memorial Service 3:00pm

18<sup>th</sup> - Haberdashers Monmouth School for Girls Thanksgiving Service 11:30am

21<sup>st</sup> - Christian Aid Circle the City Event 11:00am to 5:00pm

30<sup>th</sup> - City University End of the Year recitals 6:00pm

God bless you all.

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