

# St Lawrence Jewry June 2017

# <u>Newsletter</u>

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

#### Dear Friends,

<sup>"</sup>Better a small serving of vegetables **with love** than a fattened calf with hatred. A hot-tempered person stirs up conflict, but the one who is patient calms a quarrel." (Proverbs 15:17-18 NIV)

Our hearts and prayers go to all people affected by the recent bombing in Manchester. With all the conflicts happening around us, are we helping by spreading love or making it worse by instigating more hatred?

#### Services

Our weekly services continue as usual. Holy Communion at 8.30am on Wednesday and 1.15pm on Friday.

The Worshipful Company of Haberdashers will have their Annual Church Service on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm.

The Freemen School will also have their Annual Service on Thursday 29th June at 11:30am

#### Important Advanced Notice

This year is the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the restoration of St Lawrence Jewry following the second world war. Our Annual Service of Celebration will be an opportunity to celebrate this diamond jubilee and to launch an appeal for a project to enhance our entrance doors to make the entrance to the church more welcoming. The service will take place at 5.30pm on 19<sup>th</sup> July. The preacher will be Ven. Rosemary Lain-Priestly, Archdeacon of the Two Cities.

The Guildhall has kindly offered to host a reception after the service, and this will mean that the service and reception will need to be ticketed. If you wish to attend please send an email to Katrina (<u>katrina@stlawrencejewry.org.uk</u>). We will then be able to issue tickets nearer the event. There will be a number of official guests, so the limit on the number of tickets will be 120 and these will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Applications must be received by the second week in June (w/c 05/06). Please come and celebrate this important moment in the life of our church.

#### Music

Our lunchtime recitals are attracting new audiences as ever. We welcome Mithra Van Eehooge (Belgium) and Mark Brafield (Surrey) in our Organ Recital Series this month. Tessa Uys will perform for us again in our Piano Recital Series. The programmes are available in the church or in our website. Please visit <u>Piano</u> and <u>Organ</u> for more details.

Felicitas is celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a "Sing Joyfully" concert on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 7:30pm. Tickets are £15 (£12.50 if purchased in advance through the website <u>https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/felicitas</u>. Free for children and full-time students under 25. Please visit website <u>www.felicaitas.org.uk</u> for more details.

#### Wedding

All we need is love to make this world a better place. We are blessed to have three weddings this month: Charlotte Spooner & Paul Guinane on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 1:30pm, Laura Stephenson & Oliver Kempton on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June at 3:00pm, and Siera Castro & Hugh Orton on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 2:30pm. Please pray for God's blessings and guidance on these couples as they enter into the sacred sacrament of marriage.

### Memorial Service

We are celebrating Michael Cooper-Mitchell's life with a Memorial Service on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June at 11am. He was a past Master of the Worshipful Company of Insurers.

# August Music Festival – get involved!

St Lawrence Jewry is delighted to announce that this year's <u>August Festival</u> 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 <u>katrina@stlawrencejewry.org.uk</u> 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 <u>www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stlawrencejewry/</u> 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.

## New Members of our Guild Church Council

We congratulate Sue Zelenitz and Peter Livock for being elected as our new Deanery Synod Representatives which made them ex-officio members of our Guild Church Council. We also congratulate Nigel Bamping for being elected as a new member of the Council.

Congratulation too to Jaime Ingram-Clark for being elected as churchwarden. He replaced Martin Woods, who withdrawn from all his positions in the church. We thank him for the many years of diligent works he has done for us.

We are still looking for a volunteer to replace Martin as our cash clerk/petty cash officer. Anyone who can spare at least 2 hours of his/her time every week to do this volunteer work, then please contact Arnel at <u>arnel@stlawrencejewry.org.uk</u>.

#### **Advance Notice**

July 4<sup>th</sup> - Haberdashers Showband Concert featuring Abraham Darby Showband 6:00pm

The <u>St Lawrence Jewry Guild Church Council Annual Report 2016</u> is now posted in our website. A big thank you to everyone who had helped, supported and/or got involved with us last year.

God bless you all.

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