



St Lawrence Jewry March 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,

“When you fast, do not look sombre as the hypocrites do, for they disfigure their faces to show others they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that it will not be obvious to others that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.” (Matthew 6:16-18 NIV)

A Course for Lent 2017

Every year the Bank Churches (composed of St Mary-Le-Bow, St Margaret Lothbury, St Mary Woolnoth, St Stephen Walbrook, St Mary Aldermary, St Vedast-alias-Foster and St Lawrence Jewry) come together and run a Lent Course. It is a once a week 45 minutes meeting where we explore our Christian faith deeper. It is also a way to meet and socialise with worshippers from other churches. “**Is money wealth?**” is the theme this year based on the Archbishop of Canterbury’s Lent Book 2017. Hosted at St Margaret’s Church Lothbury, EC2R 7HH every Tuesday evening this month of March starting at 6pm. Drinks and nibbles are provided for. Everyone is welcome.

Spital Sermon

On Thursday 9th March at 12:00 noon we will have the [Spital Sermon](#), an ancient tradition with all the usual City pomp. Preaching this year is the Rt Rev’d Christopher Chessun, Bishop of Southwark.

Music

We continue in our weekly Tuesday lunchtime recitals the Six Form Series, presenting some of the country’s finest school-age organists. We thank Gillett Charitable Settlement and Rob Miller for their generous donations towards this series. For our Monday piano recitals we welcome Mihai Ritivoiu, yeoman of the Worshipful Company of Musicians, Kanae Furomoto, Michael Leach and the students from Radley School, Theodore Hayes and Jeffrey Au For full programmes of both our [Piano](#) and [Organ](#) recitals, please visit our website or come and get a copy in our vestibule.

There is an evening free concert on Friday 17th March at 7:30pm by Japanese pianist, Yuki Niitsuma, and violinist, Yuichiro Ono. Please visit the Facebook webpage <https://www.facebook.com/events/419767285081919/> for more details.

The Chinese Welfare Trust is also having their charity concert entitled, “A Night of Music” on Thursday 23rd March at 7pm. For tickets and further info, please visit their [eventbrite webpage](#) or email lisa@chinesewelfaretrust.org.uk.

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.

Wedding

We had our first wedding of the year with Daisy Falconer & Nathaniel Estrada on Saturday 25th February 2017. This month, we have another wedding with Natasha Hill and Marcel Fortune on

Saturday 25th March at 2pm. Please include them in your prayers as they start their married lives together.

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 25th 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 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/ 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

April 4th - [The Esterhazy Singers Spring Concert](#) 7:30pm
25th - Deans' Conference Evensong 5:30pm
26th - John Owen-Ward Memorial Service 2:00pm
27th - Court of Common Council Service 11:30am
27th - Guild of Freemen Annual Service 6:00pm

God bless you all.

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