

Happening this week at St Stephen's

Monday	9.00 am	Toddler Group
Monday	12 noon	Silver Screening Film Club
Monday	6.00 pm	Dinner & Film for rough sleepers
Monday	7.00 pm	Eucharist for homeless and marginalised
Wednesday	6.00 pm	Eucharist for those who are away or busy on Sunday
Wednesday	6.45 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	6.30 pm	Meditation group - Call Sue for details 07780 541492
Sunday	5.00 pm	Footballers' Service for Sunday morning footballers

Baptism Course

Would you like to have your child baptised?

Each month there is a three evening baptism course with other families. These run from 7.30 – 9.00 and are held at 1 Coverdale Road, London, W12 8JJ.

The next baptism course is on Monday 21st October.

Talk to Bob if interested (07969 090907 bob.mayo@london.anglican.org).

Louisa Bowman, Safeguarding Officer

Our Safeguarding Officer is the first person to speak to if you have any concerns around the welfare of a child or adult at risk. 07720 290596



Kavita Abraham-Dowsing, Children's Champion

The Children's Champion is here to be an advocate for all children in all areas of Parish life, making sure their views are heard and their needs are thought of. 07947 277728



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Bush Telegraph

Welcome to St Stephen's

28th October 2018

BAPTISMS TODAY

of Ines Morgan and Arthur Kingsbury

Welcome to their families and friends



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

The Sunday School is on holiday this week. However we would like all children, visiting children included, to join in with a project today to help create the church's Christmas Card.

Please come to the hall after the first hymn for an hour of creative fun.

Collect

Almighty God, who built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Jesus Christ himself as the chief cornerstone: so join us together in unity of spirit by their doctrine that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now

Reading: : Book of Job 42: 1 - 6, 10 -16

Then Job replied to the LORD: "I know that you can do all things; no purpose of yours can be thwarted. You asked, 'Who is this that obscures my plans without knowledge?' Surely I spoke of things I did not understand, things too wonderful for me to know. You said, 'Listen now, and I will speak; I will question you, and you shall answer me.' My ears had heard of you but now my eyes have seen you. Therefore I despise myself and repent in dust and ashes. After Job had prayed for his friends, the LORD restored his fortunes and gave him twice as much as he had before. ¹¹All his brothers and sisters and everyone who had known him before came and ate with him in his house. They comforted and consoled him over all the trouble the LORD had brought on him, and each one gave him a piece of silver and a gold ring. ¹²The LORD blessed the latter part of Job's life more than the former part. He had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen and a thousand donkeys. ¹³And he also had seven sons and three daughters. Nowhere in all the land were there found women as beautiful as Job's daughters, and their father granted them an inheritance along with their brothers. ¹⁶After this, Job lived a hundred and forty years; he saw his children and their children to the fourth generation. ¹⁷And so Job died, an old man and full of years.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Mark 10:46-end

Glory to you, O Lord

Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus (which means "son of Timaeus"), was sitting by the roadside begging.

When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, "Jesus, son of David have mercy on me!". Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus. "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked him. The blind man said, "Rabbi, I want to see." "Go," said Jesus, "your faith has healed you." Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ

After the Gospel we sing: *Amazing love, oh what sacrifice, The Son of God, given for me, My debt He pays, and my death He dies, That I might live, that I might live.*

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit, strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Please join us for tea, coffee or children's refreshments in the hall after the service.



LOVE IN A BOX

Shoebboxes with Christmas gifts are sent to under-privileged children throughout Eastern Europe. Each box is individually received by a child. The boxes are supplied with a 'love in a box' leaflet and instructions on what to include. This leaflet can also be downloaded from the LOVE IN A BOX website and printed at home. A donation of £4.00 per box is requested and this goes towards some of the transportation costs. Please support this worthy cause; it's a pre-Christmas task you can enjoy with your children. The pick up date for St Stephens is November 22nd.



www.ststephenswl2.org

There's lots to see on the church website. Follow Rev Bob's tweets.



MID-WEEK EUCHARIST

Every Wednesday at 6.00 - 6.45pm

If you are away or busy on Sunday join us for an informal mid-week Eucharist. A time for quiet worship and reflection.



Celebrating Black History Month

www.ststephenswl2.org

Read about Black bishops in the Church of England on the Church's website (Rev Bob Mayo's blog October 13, 2017)

SAVE THE DATE

St Stephen's Church Carol Service, Sunday 9 December, 5pm

If you're interested in singing in the choir, practice is 6.45 - 8.15pm, Wednesdays. Please speak to Sam Swallow.

On the rotas at St Stephen's

Today

Reading: Haydn Harries
Refreshments: Tamara/El/Irina Czuruk, Robert and Diana Hardman, Alex and Dalia Seaborne

Next Sunday 4

November

Prayers: Sylvain Reviron

Refreshments: Philippa Baker, Charles Wood, Freya Simms, Fiona Higney, Anthea Mars & Mike Turner

Would you like to participate in helping with refreshments once every two months? Please ask Juliet Byford

Thank You

ROOF FUND AUCTION: TICKETS ARE GOING FAST, GET YOURS NOW!



November 22nd, 7.00pm in the Parish Hall
Tickets £20, which includes a delicious Middle Eastern Buffet Dinner. Invite your friends for an evening out and make up a table of 8 for £160

Items already submitted for the auction include a Michael Kors bag, a case of 2012 Margaux, a Sharky & George Children's Party, a Victorian watercolour of the Himalayas, a week in a holiday house in Burgundy and dinner for four at the Groucho Club. Please email julietbyford@blueyonder.co.uk or speak to one of the Roof Fund Committee about tickets or donations for the auction.

ST. STEPHEN'S ROOF FUND

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