

LOOKING AHEAD

Daily Office this week at 8am and 5.30pm except Fridays.

Sun 1 May 10am	Mass for the Dedication of the church
Tues 3 May 5pm	Installation of Archdeacon Liz at the Cathedral
7pm	Welcome for Archdeacon Liz at St Katharine's
Thurs 5 May 7pm	Mass for the Ascension
Sun 8 May 10am	Mass for Easter 7
Tues 10 May 7pm	Common Fund Meeting <i>(see inside for details)</i>
Sat 14 May	Christian Aid Sponsored Walk
Sun 15 May 10am	Mass for Pentecost (All Age) with Baptism
Wed 19 May 6.45pm	PCC Meeting
Sun 22 May 10am	Mass for Trinity Sunday
Wed 25 May 2pm	MAP Planning Meeting <i>(the vicarage)</i>
Thurs 26 May 7pm	Mass for Corpus Christ followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Sun 29 May 10am	Mass for Trinity 1
Sun 5 June 10am	Mass for Trinity 2
Wed 8 June 2pm	MAP Planning Meeting <i>(the vicarage)</i>
Thurs 9 June 7.30pm	Archdeacons Visitation & Admission of Church Wardens at All Hallows Church, Bow
Sun 12 June 10am	Mass for Trinity 3

Monthly Church Clean - Dates for 2016

Saturdays 10-12 noon: 14 May, 11 June, 9 July, 13 August, 10 September, 8 October, 12 November, 10 December



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Next Sunday: Mass for 7th Sunday of Easter

Hymns: 372 46 442 228 music group

Acts 16:16-34 Mary Mc **Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-end**

Mary S

Psalm 97 John 14:23-29

Intercessions: Isabel **Chalice:** Iyabode

Sidespeople: Mary Mc & Hendrika

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✠ THE PARISH OF ST. PAUL WITH ST. LUKE ✠
BOW COMMON
Sunday 1st May 2016



Those who love me will keep my word and my father will love them and we will come and make our home with them (John 14:23)

Mass for the Dedication of the Church

Hymns: 380 186 220 235 music group
Acts 16:9-15 Joanna **Revelation 21: 10, 22-22:5** Joey
Psalm 67 John 14:23-29
Intercessions: Julian **Chalice:** Nikki
Sidespeople: Frank & Helen

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Edmond Brien, William Jarvis, Naomi Harris, Esther Christian, Margaret Lind-Smith, Anthony Ali; Margaret Diss, John Christian, Rachel Christian, Jackie Lelkes, Jim Mulhern, Isobel Coates, Ray Williams, Charlie Berry
Dawn Smith, Constance Cole-Wilson, Nojahan Hamid,
Mark Emmerson, Jeanette Chilcott, Iyabo Kadiri, Jane Keefe,
Sharni Josephine, Cresta Adcock, Jim Moore, Audrey Mameli,
John Rowe, Sheena McMain, Blesie Smith, Fr. Duncan Ross
Simon Gordon Clark

For our link church of **Santa Monica, Maputo** in Mozambique
April Year's Mind: Horace Kingston, Tom Duberry

Today we celebrate the dedication of our church. As usual we will be lighting the candles around the church and we will be having a 'bring & share' lunch so do stay. It is 58 years since the cornerstone was laid and 56 since the church was consecrated. But our Christian presence in Bow Common dates back much longer – the first church was built in 1858 – so we have much to celebrate.

TRAIDCRAFT STALL today. Just a reminder that the first Sunday of the month we each have the opportunity to make a small but important act to support Fair Trading. Hendrika will have her stall set up in the church hall. Do visit it and buy many of the excellent items for sale.

Mass for the Ascension – this Thursday at 7pm. This is an important feast day in our Christian lives, so do make a special effort to come

Mission Action Plan (MAP) Update

Continuing our commitment to renew our MAP, we have started a Congregation and a Community questionnaire to find out what you and others think might be God's mission for us in our parish and how we might join in with it. We would really like to talk to everyone in the congregation and as many people as possible in our parish, so that means **we need volunteers!**

Congregation Questionnaire: This will be done on a one-to-one basis and will take roughly 30 minutes. If you do volunteer to help us with this, it will give you the opportunity to get to know your neighbour better.

Community Questionnaire: we have sent questionnaires to the schools and all other organisations in our parish. Alongside this on **Saturday 21 May 1-3pm** we will be asking our parishioners their views in a one-to-one street survey. It would be great if we could get as many of you involved with this as possible. It's another opportunity to show the love of God in our parish.

If you would like more information or if you would like to get involved in helping with planning our MAP, then talk to Hendrika, Debbie or Mthr. Bernadette.

Final Notice: Sidespeople, Readers, Holy Communion Assistants, Intercessors

– A new rota is being prepared **end of May – end of November** – it would be helpful to know when you are away over this period so please sign the form by the at the back of church after the service today, indicating when you not available for rota duties.

Monthly Clean – to keep our church clean, we need everyone (who can) to commit to helping with this task. This is our worship space and one of the ways we give thanks to God is to clean his house – our Church.

There is a rota at the back of church, please sign up for the months you can do.

Christian Aid Sponsored Walk – Saturday 14 May. If you aren't able to take part in the walk, then please do sponsor some who is. In doing so you will be showing God's love to your neighbour.

Little Lights Playgroup this Friday 22 April 2016

Don't forget to let your family, friends and neighbours know that **Little Lights** runs **every Friday during term time 1.30-3.00pm in our church hall.**

We are still looking for someone to help Laurie lead this playgroup – it would suit a mum, dad, carer of a toddler and/or someone who is free during term time on Friday afternoons. Do ask among your friends.



Our new **Archdeacon Liz Adekunle will be installed in the Cathedral on Tuesday 3 May at 5pm.** Later on in the evening of the same day there will be a welcome evening at **St Katharine's from 7pm.** From that point onwards she will start to engage fully with Stepney.

It would be terrific if we could turn out to support and welcome Archdeacon Liz at the two events on 3 May. So please sign the form at the back of church if you are planning to come.

If you can't make the Cathedral, then come along to the evening event at St Katharine's where there will be food and refreshments.

Rosary Prayer Group – we have changed the evening we meet from the last Thursday of the month to the last Monday of the month, **The next meeting will be Monday 30 May at 7pm in the Vicarage.** If you would like to learn to pray the Rosary or if you would like to pray it regularly with others then come along to our monthly prayer group.



Common Fund Meeting and an opportunity to meet our new Archdeacon

We are warmly invited to meet our new Archdeacon, Liz Adekunle, at a Common Fund event for Tower Hamlets deanery on **Tuesday 10 May 2106 at Christ Church, Isle of Dogs.** Christ Church is located on Manchester Road, E14 3BN and is a short walk from Island Gardens DLR station. Buses D3 and D7 also stop close to the church. For a map, please see

<http://www.achurchnearyou.com/christ-church-isle-of-dogs/>

Refreshments will be served from 7pm and the meeting will start promptly at 7.30pm and finish by 9pm.

At this event we will give thanks for all that has been achieved over the past year and pray for the mission and ministry of our deanery, Area and diocese in the coming year.

There will be time to give thanks to God together, discuss the financial figures for the coming year and hear more about the part Common Fund plays in supporting our mission and ministry across the diocese.

It is hoped that at least **three PCC members will attend from each parish** and the invitation is open to all members of the congregation.