



## St Lawrence Jewry March 2016

### Newsletter

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

#### Dear Friends,

“But someone will say, ‘You have faith; I have deeds.’ Show me your faith without deeds, and **I will show you my faith by my deeds**. You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that – and shudder.” (James 2:18-19 NIV)

As we reflect on our lives in this Lenten season, why don't we reflect also on how we show our faith by the deeds we do on a daily basis.

#### A Course for Lent 2016

We are hosting again this year's Bank Churches Lent Course. It is a 45 minutes 5-weeks series every Tuesday at 6pm that started on 16<sup>th</sup> February. Please come and join us as we explore in greater depth The Creeds, the core of Christian belief.

#### Spital Sermon

On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 12 noon we will have the [Spital Sermon](#), an ancient tradition with all the usual City pomp. Preaching this year is the Rt Rev'd and Rt Hon Richard Chartres, Bishop of London.

#### Freemen School Services

Each year [Freeman's School](#), one of the schools sponsored by the City of London Corporation and now based in Ashted Park in Surrey, come for a City visit. It will take place this year on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March. There will be a service in the morning for the junior school (around 350 pupils aged 3 to 11) with seniors worshipping in the afternoon (450 pupils aged 11 to 18). There will be around 800 students, school's governors, staff and guardians in attendance.

#### Music

We continue with our Sixth Form Series this month, presenting some of the country's finest school-age organists. We thank Rob Miller for sponsoring this series again. You can also check out our recital programmes on our website. Please visit our Piano and Organ webpages for the complete listing.

We have three special concerts this month:

9<sup>th</sup> Mar - City Music Foundation Concert Series – [Messiaen 'Quartet for the end of Time'](#) - 6pm  
Tickets £10

11<sup>th</sup> Mar - [Hope Charity Concert for Japan Earthquake's victims](#) - 7pm Tickets £8

22<sup>nd</sup> Mar - Charity Concert for the 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Japan Tsunami Disaster in Fukushima - 7:30pm

#### Services each week

Our weekly services continue as usual. Holy Communion at 8.30am on Wednesday and 1.15pm on Friday. Morning Prayer at 7.30am on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Please note that there will be no services starting Maundy Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March up to Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March. Services resume on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March.

The Parish Clerks will have their Sung Evensong Service in our church on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm. Their current Master is no other than Martin Woods, one of our churchwardens.

## Wedding

The first wedding of the year in our church, Leigh Simpson & Tessa Beadman, will take place on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm. FYI, Leigh is the bell captain of our tower.

The second wedding of the year is on 19<sup>th</sup> March at 1pm, Andrew Masterson and Elizabeth Palmer. Let us pray for God's blessings and guidance on these two couples as they enter into the sacred sacrament of marriage.

## Volunteering

As life continues here at a pace we are always looking for volunteers to support our work. Could you give some time? We can always use help with administration, filing, vergers duties, brass cleaning, and many other tasks. If you would like to give some time please contact [Arnel](#) in the first instance.

## Confirmation

We are planning to organise a Confirmation Service for those who are interested to become a fully-fledge member of the Church of England Church. Please email [David](#) for further details.

## Fundraising activities

So far, we already raised £403.33 with 17 supporters with Easyfundraising. Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be raising a free donation for St Lawrence Jewry Church?

There are nearly 3,000 retailers on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva, thetrainline and Sainsbury's – it doesn't cost you a penny extra!

It's really simple, all you have to do is:

### 1. Join.

Head to [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stlawrencejewry/](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stlawrencejewry/) and sign up for free. If you have QR reader on your mobile phone or tablet, just scan this QR code.



### 2. Shop.

Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first, pick the retailer you want and start shopping.

### 3. Raise.

After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to our church for no extra cost whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and our church will be really grateful for your donations.

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

11<sup>th</sup> April Monday - Annual Guild Church Meeting at 6pm

21<sup>st</sup> April Thursday - Court of Common Council Service at 11:30am  
26<sup>th</sup> April Thursday - Guild of Freemen Annual Service at 6pm

God bless you all.

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