



Parish of the Holy Trinity, East Ham

St Mary Magdalene St Bartholomew St Edmund

25 October

Year A

Bible Sunday

THIS SUNDAY IN CHURCH

Welcome to church!

Hymns at St Bart's 420, 72, 297, 511. Hymns at St Mary's 114, 752, 45, 187.

Psalm at St Mary's, verses sung by choir; response sung by all:



FROM THE TEAM RECTOR AND THE PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS

Today we celebrate **Bible Sunday**: a good opportunity to celebrate the Bible as a church community. Whilst individual Bible study is important, for most of history scripture has been heard read out loud in Christian gatherings. The Old Testament reading for today (from Nehemiah 8) recounts the public reading of scripture. We hear the word in the context of lives lived together. Many people today first research Christianity alone online and find online sermons and teachings. This is a great modern resource when used with our Bible open, ready to test what we hear, but it can present dangers if those preachers are unaccountable or unconnected with our lives. There is no substitute for reading/hearing the Bible together in real life, knowing the realities and challenges of our neighbours, and especially reading the Bible at the Eucharist, when scripture is always heard in the light of the self-giving love and provision of God in Jesus Christ.

And half term week would not be complete without **Family Nature Club**, which meets in St Mary's Hall this Friday with exploration and activities in the Nature Reserve. See details on the back of this Newsletter.

God bless you.

Fr Paul

SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

Weekday Eucharist: Tue 12.15pm St Ed's; Wed 6.30pm St Mary's; Thurs 12.15pm St Bart's.

Morning Prayer: Tue 9am St Mary's; Wed 8.50am St Bart's; Thurs 8.50am St Ed's.

Eucharist next Sunday (1 Nov) All Saints 8am & 10am at St Mary's; 10am at St Bart's; 10am at St Edmund's; **Annual Memorial Service** 6pm St Mary's (see more details in Notices below)

IN OUR PRAYERS

In our Deanery: Plaistow St Martin - Saulo de Barros

In the Diocese: North Hinckford Team Ministry: Alphamstone (St Barnabas), Belchamp Otten (St Ethelbert & All Saints), Belchamp St Paul (St Andrew), Belchamp Walter (St Mary), Bulmer (St Andrew), Foxearth (St Peter & St Paul), Great & Little Henny (St Mary), Lamarsh (Holy Innocents), Liston and Borley, Middleton (All Saints), Ovington (St Mary), Pentlow (St Gregory & St George), Twinstead (St John Evangelist) and Wickham St Paul (All Saints): Gillian Morgan (TR, AAD), Claire Wilkinson (TV).

In the Anglican Communion: The Diocese of El Camino Real – The Episcopal Church

In the world: for an end to rioting and violence in France and for people struggling with the cost of living, unemployment and economic hardship.

With USPG: the Church in Myanmar as it rebuilds lives and communities after the earthquake

In the Parish: Castle Street, Central Park Road, Charlemont Road

Those who have asked our prayers:

Particular need: Lorraine Ashton, Albert Davis, Laurine & Ancil Griffith, Patricia Larocque, Bentley Mason, Pande Sukesh Babu, Jan Sievey, Ken Slade and family, Rosetta Thorne, Andrew West

Continuing need: June Bassenger, Zareen Choudary, Sophie Colville, Graham Davis, Doris Goodchild, Cassandra Gosai, Caroline Grisely, Paul Gillard, Terry Hooker, Terrence Hill, Emily Jones, Brendan Mann, Cassie Martin, Dennis Pridmore, Mary Skerritt, Eutal Spence, Damian Sutton, Inga Vosyliene

Those who have died: Maureen Gyles, Doris Slade

In the Year's Mind: John Coker, James Coker, Sandra Gillard



NOTICES

St Bart's Intercessory Prayers will follow the service **Today**.

Doris Slade's Funeral Mass will be on **Thurs 29 Oct at 11.30am at St Anthony's Church** and afterwards at **City of London Cemetery at 1pm**. Please keep Ken and family in your prayers at this difficult time.

Family Nature Club on **Fri 30 Oct 10am-12noon**, at St Mary's Hall. See details on reverse of this Newsletter.

Annual Memorial Service on **Sun 1 Nov 6pm at St Mary Magdalene's**: a reflective service at which we remember those who have died. If you would like the name of a loved one to be read out in the service, please send their name to info@easthamparish.org.uk or print their name clearly on the sheet in church.

Licensing of the Revd Dr Jack Belloli We welcome Fr Jack as our new team vicar on **Tues 3 Nov 7pm** at St Bart's. This is followed by light refreshments. Savouries and drinks are organised, but contributions of cake for the reception are much appreciated!

Remembrance Sunday (8 Nov) Eucharist with Act of Remembrance at all our churches: 10am at St Mary's followed by Act of Remembrance at War Memorial in St Mary's Churchyard; 10am at St Bart's; 10am at St Edmund's.

Carbon literacy course: Learn about climate change and the most effective actions in your home, in your church and in your community - to reduce its effects. **Sat 14 Nov, 9.45am to 4pm, St Mary Magdalene Church Hall.** For more information contact Alison at St Mary's (newhamecochurchadvocate@gmail.com) or Rev Sandra (seldridge@chelmsford.anglican.org).

St Edmund's Patronal Festival: Joint Parish Eucharist on **Sun 15 Nov 10am** at St Edmund's. **Guest Preacher: The Ven Mike Power, Archdeacon of West Ham.** No 10am Eucharist at St Mary's or St Bartholomew's on that day.

Christmas Market is on **Sat 21 Nov 11am-3pm** in St Mary's Church Hall.

ECO CHURCH

Half-term in October - what a great time to get out in nature! Not too cold yet, still lots to see and do, and children needing some entertainment. And it doesn't have to be all about pumpkins. Maybe try a fungi hunt - but just for looking, not picking! Or build a hedgehog home; look for conkers; make a collage of fallen leaves; put out food and water for birds and watch the visitors. Of course, children don't have to have all the fun, we can all try something new, or visit a new site - there are lots of green spaces only a bus ride away. And there's always our Family Nature Club on Friday!

MEETINGS

Tues 27 Oct – PCC at 7pm at St Bart's (additional PCC meeting)

Weds 18 Nov – Standing Committee at St Bart's at 3pm

Thur 19 Nov – Deanery Synod at St Luke's Canning Town

Tues 24 Nov – All DCCs combined with PCC (Budget) at 7pm at St Bart's



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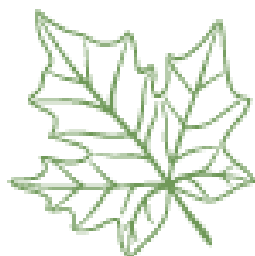
FAMILY NATURE CLUB

FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER
AT EAST HAM NATURE RESERVE

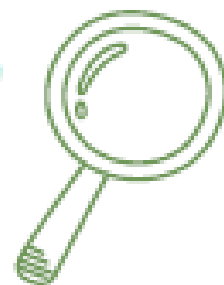
THIS MORNING SESSION
RUNS FROM 10AM-12PM
INCLUDING TIME FOR A SNACK

SEASONAL ADVENTURES FOR
FAMILIES WITH
CHILDREN AGED 12 AND UNDER

EXPLORING, LEARNING,
AND CREATING NATURE-THEMED
CRAFTS



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PLEASE NOTE CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED

BOOK YOUR PLACE BY CALLING
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