

Sun 8 May: Vision Sunday, with our Annual Meeting: Philippians 4:4-9 and John 16:28-33

10.30am Holy Communion - in person with youth and children's groups, streamed live via YouTube, available shortly thereafter. To listen live call 020 8191 0680.

12.00pm APCM (Annual Meeting)

6.30pm Evening Worship - in person only.



We're still in the Easter season and celebrating Jesus risen from the dead - alive!

Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Sun 8 May - TODAY!



Today we are holding our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) directly after the morning service 12pm. Please stay!

** Our Annual Report is out! and includes a summary of our Accounts for last year
- it's available online Here or collect a paper copy at the back of church. Please read it! It's
- encouraging what God has been doing among us, and how God has provided for us. **

If you are interested in the full Financial Statements they are available online too on <u>APCM webpage</u> or collect a paper copy.

What's on this week?

Mon 9 May 1.00pm Hope Café with CAP Money

Mon 9 May8.00pmEnglish ClassTues 10 May7.15amPrayer BreakfastWed 11 May9.15amBoogie Angels

Wed 11 May 1.00pm Wednesday Fellowship

Sun 15 May 10.30am Morning Worship- Spirit Powered 1 - in person with youth and children's

groups, streamed live via YouTube. To listen live call 020 8191 0680.

6.30pm Evening Communion - in person only.

We now have the details of Nigel's funeral service. The family have arranged for a Seventh Day Adventist Funeral which will take place at Willesden Seventh Day Adventist Church (Glebe Rd, London NW10 2JD) at 11am on Fri 13 May. In conversation with the family, it has also been agreed that we will host a special **Memorial service at St Gabriel's** in place of one of our regular evening services. This will be held at **6.30pm on Sun 22 May**. All are welcome to attend.

Hope Café is on Mon 9 May 1-3pm



We will be launching a <u>CAP Money course</u> with a difference. This time it will be during the day hosted by Hope Café.

<u>Please sign up</u> for the course and send the link to friends you think might be interested. We will have all the usual

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features of the Café available on the day including the toddler play area and free tea and coffee so do consider it if you are around.

Ukrainian Refugee Response

Some of you have been asking for an update on where we have got to behind the scenes with our efforts to help people from Ukraine. Our current focus has been on connecting with and facilitating the successful visa applications and placement of a number of Ukrainian individuals and

families. Marcus, our Mission Partners Champion, has been paving the way for much of this to happen and we heard last week that the first visa has been approved so we could have a guest in our midst very soon. The next stage of the project will be to assess the needs for people once they are here and support them as they are duly rehoused. This is likely where some financial help from us as a community will be most helpful. In the meantime, those of you that are part of the Mapesbury Area might have also seen that we have facilitated a campaign run by them to sponsor a refuge on the edge of Ukraine for displaced women and children. You can read about this on their website here. Through using our giving system and charitable status we have been able to increase these gifts with gift aid and arrange for the international funds transfer. So far the appeal has raised an incredible £40,000 to buy furniture and resources for this special project. Thanks to all those involved.

Saturday 4 June St Gabriel's Jubilee-themed Open Day

We are excited to announce our next open day will have a Jubilee theme! As part of the bank holiday weekend celebrations we will be opening up our



doors on the Saturday afternoon and inviting people to come and join us from 2 till 5pm for tea, cake and hopefully sunshine, with a variety of performances throughout the afternoon as well as televised content on the big screen, as well as activities and fun for children and families. You can share this link with your friends if you would like to promote the event but we will also need a large number of teams to help us.

If you think you might be able to give some time on the afternoon to help with serving drinks or children's activities, please can you fill out this form (or sign up in church) and let us know. Thanks!

Prayer Points

Do pray during the week for all our events at St Gabriel's, sharing the love in Cricklewood. Here are some additional topics for prayer:

- Thank God for St Gabriel's! As we hold our Annual Meeting, take time to look back over the last year and thank God for all the good things you think of in the life of St Gabriel's and in the lives of individuals in our church community.
- Pray for our Jubilee Open Day preparations, as we work with others in the community to celebrate the occasion, and as we open church for all to have a look round and enjoy time with us. Pray for God's presence throughout the day, filling church and grounds, enabling good encounters and time spent together.
- Thank God for Hope Café and pray for its ministry in this local community. Pray for the CAP Money Couse beginning in the Café this week.
- Pray for Yulia's Refuge on the Ukraine border. Thank God that funds from here have reached them, and pray for their work in such difficult times. Pray for strength and joy for those running the refuge.
- Pray for Boogie Angels for Susie and the team, and for all those who attend.
 Pray for good relationships and friendships, and for God's love to reach all.



- Thank God for all those working for good in small ways and in far-reaching ways. Especially pray at this time for Christian world leaders and others who have the good of their communities and countries at heart. Pray for strength and persistence for all who work for peace, and for success in their endeavours to bring peace to troubled places around the world.
- Thank God for one thing every day!