

Notices

PARTY TIME! Friday April 5th 7.30 – 10.00 in church

Plans are coming on for our Parish Party to coincide with Tim's 70th Birthday and laying down his responsibilities as Churchwarden. A murder mystery with Italian flair and food; a chef has been commissioned – seriously! All kinds of pleasing surprises (don't worry Tim or Stephanie – whose birthday we will also celebrate)! No charge but donations to Christian Aid. We can arrange lifts home for those for whom this is important – speak to Margaret Kesterton (8764 7706). Everyone (probably everyone over 10!) will have a great night. A list is in the narthex for you to say whether you are coming – don't be shy, it will be a great night!

MINDFUL MOVEMENT TOMORROW!

Oona's series of Mindful Movement for seniors is in full swing on Mondays until 8th April, but it is not too late to join in! Starts at 1.30 in church followed by tea and coffee. No need to book, just turn up for a warm welcome and moderately energetic and thoughtful workout.

SPIRES COLLECTION FOOD & CLOTHES

Following the recent visit of Nigel Carpenter from the Spires to our Sunday worship we shall be hosting a 'GIFT BOX' in the Narthex each Sunday into which you are invited to put gifts of food and warm clothes for those who access the Spires services. Non-perishable foods and clean warm clothes are most welcome. The contents will be collected on a weekly basis by the Spires staff.

SAVE THE DATE!

Our 2019 **Annual General Meeting** will be held this year on **Sunday 7th April** after the morning Eucharist. After coffee and before a 'bring and share' lunch. If you usually submit an AGM report, please can you do so by Sunday 17th March. Please email them in WORD format to: office@stleonard-streatham.org.uk

SPIRES TRUSTEES

An opportunity to support the SPIRES CENTRE as a Trustee is advertised on the notice board in the Narthex. They would be delighted if members of St Leonard's church applied.

CALLING ALL SIDESPEOPLE OF ST LEONARDS

At our Annual Parochial Meeting on Sunday April 7th one of the tasks is to elect our sidespeople. This gives the occasion for three things:

1. To give our thanks to those who welcome us into church each Sunday, handout service sheets, take the collection and guide us into position at the Eucharist (they do a few other things as well!)
 2. To enable existing sides people to step down
 3. To enable new faces to join the ranks of Sunday welcomers.
- It's a great way of getting to know people and getting a bit more involved in life at St Leonard's.

For those interested in 2. and 3. above have a word with Ann Morisy (churchwarden)

As for point 1... you can say thank you to our sidespeople anytime you wish!

THE CROWN SERIES ONE HAS CONCLUDED!

Series Two will commence when the work on the North Porch has been completed!

Streatham Senior Connections / Freedom Club

LENT AT ST LEONARD'S

FIRST COMMUNION CLUB – CHILDREN AGE 7+

Saturday mornings during Lent 11am -12noon with the Rector. First Communion on Easter Sunday. Please speak to the Rector to book a place.

ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT BAPTISM AS AN ADULT?

Email the rector for more information:

rectorstleonards@btinternet.com

THE LENT COURSE:

FINDING CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVES ON A CONTEMPORARY ISSUE: FAIRNESS BETWEEN THE GENERATIONS

We gather in church from 7.00 p.m. for a light supper (donations towards the Bishop's Lent Appeal) and begin our reflections and discussion at 7.30 and conclude at 8.45 p.m.

Date of first meeting Thursday 14th March running through until Thursday 11th April.

In order to get our catering requirements right please sign up on the board in the Narthex for week 1.

Many thanks.

DAYTIME LENT COURSE

12noon Eucharist, followed by a light lunch (12.45) and study concluding by 2pm.

WHAT WAS THE PCC MEETING ABOUT THIS MONTH?

It was a positive meeting; lots of good things as the North Porch moves closer to being fixed; money and permission are in place, so the redevelopment group are just waiting for the architect to advise on the tenders. Another positive thing is the worship audit – there have been 85 responses at the time of writing with some lovely comments and suggestions on the way forward. Financially, the church is in a good place at the year's end. To match this general sunniness, you'll have noticed the work that has been done in the churchyard to make the church visible and lovely. On a more serious note, the PCC approved various policies written by the diocese and these will be available for viewing on the church website. There are some vacancies on the PCC; if you wish to join us from the 7th April please have a word with a churchwarden.

Liz Ridout, PCC Secretary.