

All hands on deck for the fundraising Stalls on Saturday 16th May

NEWS

Parish outing to Margate on Saturday 18th July

EASTER 5

10 MAY 2009

Next Sunday
Easter 6

RCL P389
Acts 10.44-48
Psalm 98
I John 5.1-6
John 15.9-17



Next Sunday's
Hymns:

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| When all Thy mercies | 544 |
| Let all the world | 296 |
| A new commandment | 4 |
| An upper room did the Lord prepare | 29 |
| Ye choirs of the new Jerusalem | 563 |

Have we got news for you

For many months now we've been bombarded with news and analyses and shock horrors and finger pointings and gloom and doom about the Credit Crunch. The expanding fantasy world of debts, hedged debts, traded debts and even creative debts has collapsed like a pack of cards (if I understand this rightly). This is affecting many people; it is causing immeasurable stress and despair. It is Bad News.

But we get bored of the same old story. So up pops a new scare (named after an innocent animal, as so often). A few years ago it was bird flu, now it's swine flu. We will all be getting house to house

leaflets. The Government has also issued a booklet expressly for faith communities. The recommendations



are, actually, startlingly simple: if you observe basic standards of hygiene, like washing your hands and not coughing into other people's faces you are doing the right thing. In church as everywhere else.

What we need now is Good News. On the Internet two 'Good News' quotes stand out. The first is from Anne

Frank's diary : *Everyone has inside him a piece of good news. The good news is that you don't know how great you can be! How much you can achieve! How much you can love! What you can accomplish! And what your potential is!* With its teenage profusion of exclamation marks, these hopeful thoughts can still stir and uplift us. The second quote is from Bishop Desmond Tutu : *I don't preach a social gospel; I preach the Gospel, period. The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ is concerned for the whole person. When people were hungry, Jesus didn't say 'Now is that political or social'. He said 'I feed you' Because the good news to a hungry person is bread. Let us pray for good news – and be it.*

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Please pray for...

11 May Michael & Beverley BRIGGS and family
12 May Belle & Simon BRIGGS, Leela-Mae and Dulcie
13 May Lyn BROADHEAD & Callum CALVERT
14 May Lyn BROOKS & John KENT
15 May Janet BUDD

We pray for the repose of Roseline UGORJI, the mother of Jackie UGORJI, who died suddenly in Nigeria on April 29th at the age of 56. Her wake will be held in the Crypt on Friday 15th May.

May she rest in peace and rise in glory.



Notices

FAITH QUESTIONS is a chance to explore questions about faith, religion and spirituality in a series of conversations in the Crypt Café on Wednesday evenings at 7.45pm. This is for anyone who is interested: for people who come to church as well as for people who don't. We need help to provide refreshments or crèche facilities. If you'd like to come along, help or find out more, please contact Daniel, or just turn up on Wednesday night.

ART CLUBS : THURSDAYS in the Crypt. 4-6 pm for Children aged 8-12 years, and 7-9 pm a **LIFE DRAWING** class.

▷ **Both sessions are run by Anne Noble Partridge who teaches life drawing at the Tate and the Candid Art Trust, and Rowan James who teaches at the Prince of Wales Trust and local sculptor Sophie Dickens with experience of working on art projects in local primary schools.**

For more information contact Sophie on **020 7249 1114**

The Hackney Debates **FOOD FOR ALL**



The BBC News correspondent **GEORGE ALAGIAH** is patron of the Fairtrade Foundation, and a resident of Hackney. He will be launching this first in

a series of debates on today's big issues, starting with **Fair Trade**.

**Friday June 5th at 7.30pm
in Church**

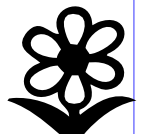
The event will raise money for the Crypt development. Make a date in your diary, and tell your friends.

People of God

LEILA MYERS is happy to be safely back from Thailand, where she was brave enough to stroke an alligator. DOROTHY ESIEN is happy to be safely back from India, which left her feeling refreshed. VIVETTE FERGUSON is happy to be safely back from China, where she relished standing on top of the Great Wall. ROMEE and PETER DAY are happy to be visiting

relatives in Switzerland this weekend. It is good to have JONATHAN TICHER back in the organ seat. AMANDA DAVIES has worked extremely hard to prepare some ninety pages of documentation in support of our Crypt refurbishment funding bid, while MICHAEL DAVIES is keen to support this bid with a home effort : a bric-a-brac and a cake

stall next Saturday. **Volunteers, bric-a-brac and cakes very welcome.** EILEEN MOORE's left cheek is displaying all the colours of the rainbow after a fall, but this does not seem to faze her at all. The FREEDOM CLUB have been choreographing Alleluia's, which with luck (?) you might see performed-



Find out more

Clergy Team

JULIA PORTER-PRYCE is on sabbatical from 13 April-30 May. DANIEL GERRANS can be contacted on 07949 783079 weekdays either between 1.30-2pm or 9.30-10 pm or leave a message/ email daniel.gerrans@xxiv.co.uk

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