



St Lawrence Jewry April 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,

“For **God so loved the world** that he gave his one and only **Son**, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.” (John 3:16 NIV)

As we celebrate the Easter season, let us remember the very core of our faith, that God so loved us by sending his only son Jesus Christ to die for us and to redeem us from the power of sins (death) by his Resurrection.

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.

Special Services

Each year, a service is held before the first Court of Common Council of the financial year, as a way of asking God's blessings and guidance to the Common Council members as they undertake the Corporation's business throughout the year. This is one of the civic services that the Lord Mayor attends in STATE. The Sheriffs, Aldermen, High Officers and the Court of Common Council members are also in attendance. This year Court of Common Council Service will be on Thursday 21st April at 11:30am. The preacher will be Rev'd George Bush, Chaplain to Sheriff and Alderman Charles Bowman.

The Guild of Freemen will have its Annual Church Service on Tuesday 26th April at 6pm.

Music

Our lunchtime recitals are attracting new audiences as ever. Programmes for our recitals are now available in the church or in our website. Please visit [Organ](#) or [Piano](#) for more details.

THE BARD AND THE CHURCH – 4th to 15th April 2016

In line with City of London Shakespeare400 celebration, our church will have its own photographic exhibition by our very own resident photographer Katrina Bradley. View an extraordinary series of photographs of scenes from churches around the City illustrating quotes from Shakespeare's work. The exhibition will run from Monday 4th to Friday 15th April. A Private View is scheduled on Monday

4th April at 6pm. Open for public. If you would like to attend please let Katrina know so that we can cater: katrina@stlawrencejewry.org.uk

Annual Meeting

The Annual Church Meeting takes place on Monday 11th April at 6pm at the church. This is an opportunity for all members of our electoral roll to attend and to review the work of the past year and ask questions about the future. The meeting will be followed by refreshments. All are welcome to come along.

Wedding

We have 2 weddings this month:

9th April – Esther Goddy & Femi Junaid at 1pm
16th April - Clare Bamping & David Bourne at 1pm

Please pray for God's blessings and guidance on these two couples as they enter into the sacred sacrament of marriage.

Memorial Service

On Wednesday 4th May at 3:00pm, we will have a Memorial Service for Sir Jeremy Morse. We pray for his family and friends as they come together to celebrate Jeremy's life on the day.

Lord Mayor's Appeal St Lawrence Jewry Abseil Challenge

We are very much looking forward to joining the Lady Mayoress for a unique chance to abseil down the tower of our church on Friday 20th May 2016.

The Abseil is open to everyone who is reasonably fit and healthy. You do not need previous abseiling experience. Your challenge will begin by climbing up the narrow spiral staircase to the top of the tower and then abseiling 94 feet down the building. A team of experts will be on hand to show you the ropes and ensure your safety so you can relax and just enjoy the experience. The event will take place during the day. For more info, please visit The Lord Mayor's Appeal website <https://www.thelordmayorsappeal.org/events/194/abseil-challenge-st-lawrence-jewry/>.

Ok, so you don't want to do that, anymore that the Guild Vicar does. So this is where your part comes in!

The hope and expectation is that those who participate will be able to raise £500 in sponsorship. Our very own intrepid Verger/Administrator, Arnel Sullano, has registered to take part on your behalf. Imagine you are abseiling down the tower at St Lawrence Jewry. Imagine you wish you did not have to. Arnel will help. You just need to sponsor him instead! . You can sponsor him online through his [JustGiving donation page](#) or you can fill up a sponsorship form in the church office. All cheques should be payable to 'The Lord Mayor's Appeal 2016'.

He is under no pressure at all, but if he does not raise at least £500 I will sack him! It's over to you!

FIELDS OF BATTLE – Somme’s Lecture

We are hosting 4 of the 6 series of the Fields of Battle – Guildhall Lecture Programme in June.

Thursday 9th June, 6pm – Prof Gary Sheffield – “The Aftermath of the Somme.”

Wednesday 15th June, 6pm – Clive Harris – “Londoners on the Somme.”

Wednesday 22nd June, 6pm – Ms Luci Gosling – ‘Goodbye, Old Man’ Fortunino Matania: Art & Reality during the First world War

Wednesday 29th June, 6pm – Prof William Philpott – ‘The Changing Lanscapes of Somme’

Support Us webpage

So far, we already raised £404.45 with 19 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/ 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.

God bless you and have a blessed Easter to all.

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