



St Lawrence Jewry June 2019

Newsletter

St Lawrence Jewry is the church on Guildhall Yard, dedicated to bringing the light of Christ to the City of London.

Dear Friends,

"Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that **summer** is near." (NIV Mark 13:28)

Music

We welcome back Tessa Uys as she performs in all of our piano lunchtime recital this month of June. She will be joined by Ben Schoeman on Monday 24th June for a Piano Duo performance. This is always one of the highlights of the year as Tessa and Ben are so brilliant together. For further details please visit our [Piano](#) webpage.

With organ lunchtime series, Constance Taillard (France) will close The [John Hill Organ Series 2019](#) on 4th June. Then our very own Catherine Ennis will perform on Tuesday 11st June. The penultimate (18th June) and final (25th June) organ recital in June will be performed by Andrzej Malitowski, a product of the Royal Academy of Music and a Nicholas Danby Trust Scholar. For their detailed programmes please visit our [Organ](#) webpage.

Popchoir is continuing their summer term in our church this month. To know more about the choir and on how to join, please visit their website <https://popchoir.com/>.

We are pleased to announce that we are hosting 3 concerts of the Summer Music in City Churches this month: Monday 24th ["Let Us Garlands Bring"](#) concert at 6:45pm, Thursday 27th ["Capturing the Castle"](#) concert at 1pm and Thursday 27th ["Façade & Carnival of the Animals"](#) Concert at 7:30pm. For tickets and further details, please visit their [website](#).

Services each week

Holy Communion remains the same at 8:30am on Wednesday and 1:15pm on Friday. Both these communion services continue to grow. Do please come along when you can.

The Elim Full Gospel Chinese Church fellowship meeting every Wednesday from 12:15 to 1:15pm is doing great. Everyone is welcome to join this meeting.

A special service will be held on 28th June at 11am to celebrate The Worshipful Company of Insurers' 40th Anniversary.

Re-imagining the Bounds

The London Festival of Architecture takes place across London this June. It's the world's biggest annual architecture festival in the world's capital city of architecture. With an amazing programme of events and activities, we welcome everyone into the conversation around architecture and our city.

As part of this festivity, St Lawrence Jewry is hosting "Re-imagining the Bounds" on Monday 10th June at 6pm (David's birthday – but that is irrelevant!). It is an evening looking at the renewal and refurbishment of the church fabric as well as an exploration of its historic boundaries. There is an optional walk to trace the historic boundaries too.

Tickets at £15 (£10 for Friends) which includes a wine and nibbles reception. For tickets and more details please contact [Katrina](mailto:katrina@stlawrencejewry.org.uk) at katrina@stlawrencejewry.org.uk or phone 02076009478.

Fabric

Good news! The glass doors are now finally fitted. We plan to have them dedicated at our Annual Service on Monday 15th July 2019 at 4.30pm. We would love you to join us in our celebrations and to see the final result. We will be joined at the service by our new Area Dean, Rev'd Katherine Hedderly. Thank you very much for all the support from our generous donors and friends to make this happen. You will receive a special invitation from Katrina for our Annual Service.

ASICS London 10k Marathon

We are gearing our ourselves for the 'Big Project' that will take place from May 2020 for 18 months. This is to do the major repairs on the fabric of the church, most especially the roof. We will let you know more details about it in due course. We are thinking of having our organ and piano be refurbished at the end of that 18-months period, since both instruments need to be sealed off while the repair was ongoing. The amount we need for this is estimated to be around £30k.

We will be doing a series of fundraising events throughout 2019 for this, one of which is the ASICS London 10k Marathon on Sunday 21st July 2019, organised by Virgin Sport. The fast-paced, flat 10km route will take runners on a tour through London's Westminster, racing past the historical landmarks such as Big Ben, the London Eye and River Thames. Runners get a 3-month membership to Runkeeper Go for progress insights, personalised training plans, and more. Free weekly training runs will be kicking-off from May 2019. We need at least **5 runners** to be able to join this event. If you are interested, then please contact Arnel Sullano through [email](mailto:arnel@stlawrencejewry.org.uk) or phone at 02076009478. For details, please check this website https://uk.virginsport.com/charities?utm_source=20190429_l10kcharitiesprospects&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=asicslondon10k&utm_content=sign_up.

Other Fundraising activities

Please sign up to #easyfundraising and help us raise FREE funds for St Lawrence Jewry Church - London when you're doing your everyday shopping online. THIS IS FREE MONEY FOR US! Plus, when you raise your first £5, easyfundraising will match it!! This short video explains how simple it is and it doesn't cost you anything <http://efraising.org/cv1Wj5Bman>. Sign-up using our unique link and search for St Lawrence Jewry Church London: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/1ZIJMC/49ZRGU>

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.

Twinning with St Columb's Cathedral

Our link with St Columb's Cathedral in Londonderry has been growing stronger since we twinned with them in October 2015. Our vicar, David, is invited again to do the sermon at their 11am Sunday service on 2nd June 2019. Most of these invitations happen in parallel with The Honourable The Irish Society, who visit the area 2-3 times a year.

Advance Notice

Monday 15th July 4:30pm - St Lawrence Jewry Annual Rededication Service

Monday 15th July 5:30pm - One in Four Photographic Exhibition Launch

Thursday 18th July 12:00pm – Loriners Annual Service

Thursday 25th July 12:14pm – Girdlers Annual Service

Our annual service on 15th July will be at a different time than usual, for various reasons. If you are planning ahead, the service will be at 4.30pm, followed by the launch of a photographic exhibition which the Lord Mayor has agreed to open for us.

Heavenly Humour

The vicar was preoccupied with thoughts of how he was going to ask the congregation to come up with more money than they were expecting for repairs to the church building. Therefore, he was annoyed to find that the regular organist was sick and a substitute had been brought in at the last minute. The substitute wanted to know what to play. "Here's a copy of the service," he said impatiently "But, you'll have to think of something to play after I make the announcement about the finances."

During the service, the minister paused and said, "Brothers and Sisters, we are in great difficulty; the roof repairs cost twice as much as we expected and we need £10,000 more. Any of you who can pledge £100 or more, please stand up."

At that moment, the substitute organist played "God save the Queen."

And that is how the substitute became the regular organist!



God bless you all.

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