

# St Bride's

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St Bride's is part of the St Luke in the City Team Parish

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Website: [stlukeinthecity.org.uk](http://stlukeinthecity.org.uk)

St Bride Percy Street, St Michael Pitt Street, St Dunstan Earle Road, Chaplaincy to the Women's Hospital

## Week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> April 2017 – Easter Sunday

### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April

**10.00am Holy Communion:** Anne Lawlor will reflect with us on the resurrection and the opportunities that Jesus leaves for us in the openness of the empty tomb.

*Songs: 623 Here in this place new light is streaming, 762 Glory to God*

*759 Come to me, come to me,*

*417 Now the green blade riseth*

**6.30pm Open Table:** Our ecumenical Christian worship community offers a warm welcome to people who are: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer / Questioning, Intersex, Asexual (LGBTQIA), and all who seek an inclusive Church. Doors open 6pm for refreshments.

### Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April

**10.30am-12.30pm MRANG:** Safe 'women only' space for women seeking asylum

### Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April

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**7.00-9.00pm iChoir:** singing, confidence, fun!

### Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April

**9.00am Morning Prayer:** followed by tea and coffee

**6.00-7.00pm Yoga:** Weekly sessions run by Natasha Wilksberg. Cost £6 a session or £20 for 4.

### Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April

**12.30pm-2.30pm Hope+ food bank**

**7.30pm Homeless Meals Project**

### Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April

**10.00am-2.00pm Red Cross Project:** for newly arrived refugees.

## **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April**

**10.30am-12.30pm Knit and Natter get together:** Email Sara [sara.thomasdoyle@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sara.thomasdoyle@hotmail.co.uk) or Warren [stbridesliverpool@gmail.com](mailto:stbridesliverpool@gmail.com) for details.

## **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**

**10.00am Morning Prayer:** Deb Huthwaite from the Fellowship of Contemplative Prayer joins us to introduce this important practice. Followed by **St Bride's AGM:** We'll meet to reflect on the past year and look to the next. If you haven't filled in an electoral roll form, ask a Churchwarden for one today!

## **12.30pm Narcotics Anonymous**

**6.30pm: What's so special about Christianity?** Jonathan Clatworthy concludes his fourth Sunday evening series of talk and discussion in the context of a Communion service and pizza. Come & ask your questions!

## **Upcoming events:**

### **Monday 24th April**

**7.30pm Music meeting at St Bride's:** We are always looking for new and innovative music to include in Sunday morning worship at St Bride's, whilst honouring the rich tradition of older hymns. Everyone has their favourite style and we try to incorporate as many as possible. Whether you play an instrument or not, sing tunefully or just joyfully, you are sure to have an opinion on music. Join us to discuss this.

### **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April**

**10am-4pm Open Day and Grounds Tidy:** Are you able to join our Ground Force team to help clear up the gardens at St Bride's? Come along for an hour, the day or just come and say hello! You will be so welcome. Bring gloves and tools if you are able. It will be fun, a community day. There will be lunch and drinks as well as a chance to see plans and hear ideas for remodelling St Bride's with the opportunity to share your thoughts.

### **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May**

**7pm Sister Act film:** Liverpool arts collective, Kinematic, will be showing Sister Act as a charity fundraiser for the Whitechapel Centre. Incredibly, tickets sold out within 24 hours of booking being opened! We hope we might be lucky enough to get a repeat performance, but have no news about that yet.

### **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May**

**7.30pm Family folk-up:** This musical evening which was a much-loved fixture on a Saturday evening at St. Bride's for about five years is coming back for a tenth anniversary celebration, which will be a fundraiser for St. Bride's.

## Other notices

**Vincent and James:** Many congratulations to Vin and James from all at St. Bride's on their wedding last Thursday, and service of thanksgiving in church yesterday. It's lovely having them in our community and we couldn't be happier for them.

**Kitchen Clean:** A big thank you to those who helped on Wednesday. The kitchen is looking much better - let's try and keep it that way.

**Margaret & Lydia UPDATE:** The bad news is that their fresh claim was rejected – the good news is they have found a new lawyer who is confident they have good grounds for appeal. If anyone is able to contribute to the fund Nadine from Hope+ Food Bank is holding for them, they would greatly appreciate it. Please contact Kieran, Warren or Nadine if you can help. **Please keep Margaret and Lydia and all who support them in your prayers, that they may be heard with justice and mercy this time and allowed to remain here in safety.**

**CD Player:** Does anyone have a working CD player which could be donated to church? Please see our Church Warden Dave if you have one.

**Carrier bags:** Hope+ Foodbank needs yours! Each of the 300+ people who use the Foodbank each week receives a minimum of 4 bags – that's 1200 bags a week. Currently Hope+ buys bags, which around £15 a week and is not good for the planet. **Please bag up your clean, untern bags and drop them in to Hope+ Foodbank on Thursdays or give them to our administrator Warren who will pass them on.**

**Items for notices:** Please email items for inclusion in the notices to: [stbridesliv@gmail.com](mailto:stbridesliv@gmail.com) by 6pm on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April. Please include the word 'NOTICES' in the subject line of your email. Thank you.

### GIVING TO SUPPORT ST BRIDE'S

At St Bride's it's not our custom to take a collection in the way that many churches do. At every service, there is a small basket on the kitchen counter for those who wish to make a gift. These gifts are always appreciated. What is even more helpful for us is if people are willing to set up a Direct Debit – please ask for a Parish Giving Scheme leaflet. If you are a UK taxpayer, and you would like to Gift Aid your donation - which means we can reclaim the tax on your gift - please ask for a form.

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**St Bride's is a member of Inclusive Church. We invite and welcome all, of any age, race, health or ability, social or economic status, gender, sexual orientation, or any other wonderful variety of human that God has created.**

## Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

**7.30pm Dementia Friends Awareness:** Following the first successful and interesting session, a further opportunity for those yet to take part. Everyone should be 'dementia-aware' and it only takes an hour.

## 26<sup>th</sup> May – 5<sup>th</sup> June

**Walking the North Wales Pilgrims Way:** The Way is 134 miles. Our churchwarden, Dave Bradley plans to walk it in 11 days starting 26th May, raising money for the building project, and also revisiting the route of the 2013 pilgrimage which meant so much to those of us who took part. Dave would be delighted if anyone would like to join him for a few miles. More information in due course.

## Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July

### **SAVE THE DATE: Advance notice for St. Luke in the City Team parish away day**

The St. Luke's parish day on 'Centring Prayer' will be led by Elizabeth Smith, the founder of Contemplative Outreach UK. This promises to be a very special day in which we will join with St. Dunstan's and St. Michael's.

## Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> August

### **SAVE THE DATE: Team Rector Induction**

Bishop Paul will conduct the Service of Induction for our new Team Rector, Miranda Threlfall-Homes, on Thursday 10th August at 7.30pm at St Dunstan's. Please come to welcome and celebrate with Miranda and her family: husband Phil, who is a freelance chemical engineer, and their three children, Noah (15), Tobias (11) and Zoe (7). You can read the announcement of her appointment in the 'What's New?' section on the St Bride's website: [stbridesliverpool.org.uk/whats-new](http://stbridesliverpool.org.uk/whats-new)

## Bank holiday weekend – 25<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> August

**Greenbelt Festival:** Last year, Dave, Rebecca and Lynn went to the Greenbelt Festival, held near Kettering on the August Bank Holiday weekend. In the past, Jonathan, Linda, Sara, Rachel and others have also gone. Our new Team Rector, Miranda Threlfall-Homes and her family are regulars, and Miranda has been a speaker and quilting workshop leader! It's a wonderful, easy-going

expression of creativity, faith, the arts, fun and thoughtfulness. **Just like St. Bride's it is Creative, Progressive and Inclusive. Talk to Dave if you are interested in going or check out [www.greenbelt.org.uk](http://www.greenbelt.org.uk). Tickets are always cheaper early on.**

