

**St Margaret of Antioch, Ilford**  
**Weekly News Sheet**  
**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> of November**  
**All Saints' Day**



We hope you enjoy worshipping with us or visiting us. If you are here for the first time or visiting from another church, please introduce yourself. You will find all your need for the service using this sheet, the service booklet and the hymn book. The hymns are on the board at the front or will be announced.

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## Worship and Intercessions

### **THIS MORNING**

**Welcome Team:** Dorish Thason

**Mass setting:** Thorne

**Cantor:** Terry English

**Readers:** Ann Rotondaro  
Theodora Acolatse

**Intercessions:** Vijin Paulraj

**Eucharistic minister:** Jannis Abley

### **WE PRAY THIS WEEK FOR:**

The sick and those in need:

Geoff Allen, Delrose Berry, Francis Chitolie, Fizza and her family, Anne Fox, Lenore Hinds, Jenifer Motley, Keethan Ranjan Ponuthurai, Janet Potter, Amol Rego, Caroline Campbell, Shruti Sriram, Nathalie Wallace, Kathy Wicks

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

Remembrance Sunday

10.30am Parish Eucharist

**Those whose anniversaries of death fall this week:** Brian John Douse, Jim Odoom, Dominic John Dolan, Marie Litson, George Douglas Kendall

**HYMNS FOR TODAY: 54, 384, 758, 177**

**Collect:** Almighty and eternal God, you have kindled the flame of love in the hearts of the saints: grant to us the same faith and power of love, that, as we rejoice in their triumphs, we may be sustained by their example and fellowship; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**First Reading: Wisdom 3:1-9**

But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt-offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them for ever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

**Psalm 23**

**R: Such are the ones who seek your face, O Lord.**

The Lord's is the earth and its fullness,  
the world and all its peoples.

It is he who set it on the seas;  
on the waters he made it firm. **R**

Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord? Who shall stand in his holy place?  
Those with clean hands and pure heart,  
who desire not worthless things. **R**

They shall receive blessings from the Lord and reward from the God who saves them. Such are the ones who seek him,  
seek the face of the God of Jacob. **R**

**Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-6**

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the

home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia ....**

Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened  
and I will give you rest, says the Lord.

**Alleluia ....**

### **Gospel Reading: John 11:32-44**

**Communion song:** *Centre of my Life*, Inwood.

**Post Communion Prayer:** God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Recessional:** *Trumpet Tune in D*, John Stanley.

## News and Notices for this week

We welcome to St Margaret's today Reverend Liz Horwell to preach at the Parish Eucharist this morning. We are grateful for her time and support whilst the parish is in vacancy.

**Nativity Play:** It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas...!! That's right folks, it's Nativity season! If you would like your child(ren) to be involved in this year's 2024 Nativity Play/Service on Christmas Eve, 4pm please speak to Marilyn How - 07960 909 948. Rehearsals will be during Discoverers every Sunday between the 20 October - 22 December. There is a final dress rehearsal on Christmas Eve at 2pm, before the performance at 4pm. Merry Christmas!

**Appointing A New Priest:** We are pleased to confirm that we have completed the documents and meetings required to move ahead and advertise for a new priest. The PCC met on Thursday 24 October to approve the "Parish Profile" (our sales brochure to describe to interested candidates all about our congregation and the parish) and to appoint two people to join the Archdeacon and Area Dean on the interview panel. We chose Jannis Abley and Gladstone Rajakulendran to do this. We hope that the advert will appear in November's Church Times and that candidates will be interviewed in February 2025.

**Redbridge Citizens:** Redbridge Council are consulting the public on their housing and homelessness strategy 2024-2029. Make sure that your voice is heard on this issue before 15 November. Here is the link to complete the survey <https://engage.redbridge.gov.uk/hrss/surveys/homelessness-and-rough-sleeping-survey-individual> Redbridge Citizens are submitting a joint statement and will follow up with further action to hold the council accountable.



### Update From The Wardens:

- further work has been carried out in the hall to complete the bathroom project by fitting an automatic door opener between the hall and toilets for accessibility, installing notice boards and panelling in the porch area to protect the walls.

- thanks for Andrea and Gladstone for arranging for the London Fire Service to help us free the bell! The bell clapper had got caught on the new wire netting which had been

installed to prevent pigeons getting into the roof and some very helpful fire fighters kindly agreed to use their ladder skills to release it. Please remember the bravery and commitment shown by fire fighters all over the world in your prayers.