

YOUTH MINISTRY NOTICES

We are still in urgent need of volunteers for Resonate and DC. Please consider whether you could help once a month or once a term. See Marc or Nicky or contact Sam Talbot at fcyouthministry3@gmail.com or [07805 446509](tel:07805446509)

Newsletter for Sunday 12th August, 2018

REMEMBRANCE 100 DAYS OF PRAYER



100 YEARS | 100 DAYS | 2 MINUTES
remembrance100.co.uk

The Archbishop of Canterbury and Presidents of Churches Together in England have called on churches to pray for peace and reconciliation to mark the 100th anniversary of National Day of Prayer starting on 4th August.

On 4th August 1918 when King George V and Queen Mary joined members of the House of Commons and the House of Lords at the Church of Saint Margaret, Westminster; 100 days later the Great War ended.

Christian charity Hope Together has organised the campaign, said Christians should pray for "personal peace, peace in our families, peace in our nation and also in other nations". There are some copies of reflections and prayers to use for the 100 days in the church lounge.

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Fair trade goods are available in the church lounge on

Wednesdays and Thursdays 10-11.30am

Welcome to St Alban's in the middle of August
'Be kind and compassionate to each other' Paul writes – you'd think that would hardly need saying among Christians. Yet the fact he had to say it means that it was a problem then, just as it is today. If Christians find it difficult to be kind and compassionate to one another, how can we expect people who don't know the love of Christ to do it? We are dismayed and appalled by the actions of some people towards other members of the human race, yet it's the inevitable result of fallen human nature, and it's up to us, as those who've been restored through Christ, to show that there is a better way.

Events this week

Sunday 12th August **10.30am** **OWN CHURCHES**
(Holy Communion
at St Alban's)

Wednesday 15th August **2.30pm** **NO Holy**
Communion

Events next week

Sunday 19th August **10.30am** **Holiday at Home**
service at MLBC

WEEKLY PRAYER DIARY – Week beginning 12th August 2018 –

Sunday – Ask God to help you, and all of us, to show the love of Jesus to all those around us – not just those we get on with, or feel comfortable with, but also those we find it difficult to get on with. Pray that we'll have opportunities to show kindness and compassion to them this week, and that the Holy Spirit will help us do that.

Monday – Setting up for Holiday at Home begins today. Pray that all goes smoothly and that the decoration helps guests to feel that they are going on holiday – a break from the routine and ordinary. Ask that the Lord will have His hand on the week, giving peace, love and joy in abundance.

Tuesday – Holiday at Home starts today! Pray for volunteers who are doing this for the first time, or those who are taking on unfamiliar roles, that they will quickly settle in and enjoy the roles they have. Pray also for the guests, that they won't have illnesses or accidents which prevent them from coming, and that all who come will enjoy every part of what is on offer.

Wednesday – Pray ahead for the Holiday at Home trip to Kenwood House tomorrow: for everyone's safety as we travel, for good weather throughout the day (especially at lunchtime), and for a good, and not too tiring time for all.

Thursday – As those on the Holiday at Home trip out travel across London, pray for all who are travelling today: for those travelling long distances to holiday destinations, or for those on day trips, or for those travelling to work. Pray that they will all be safe while travelling, and ask that the journeys, whether short or long, will be an opportunity to turn their attention to God, and seek Him for their refreshment, strength and energy.

Friday – Please pray for the last day of Holiday at Home – for the 'regulars', but also those who are coming just today: for the guests, but also those from the local community who are performing in the show at the end. Pray that they will 'catch' the atmosphere, and also be touched by God's presence. Pray also for the team who will have been there for the whole week, that they won't be too exhausted, but will be able to complete the packing down with energy and good grace to spare!

Saturday – Pray for the service tomorrow at MLBC, that guests from Holiday at Home who don't usually come to church will decide to come this time, and will hear and receive God's blessing for them. Pray that we will all be touched by Him, and gain refreshment from having been together in His presence.

CONGRATULATIONS TO PETER RAMELL ON 'BAGGING' HIS FINAL MUNRO!



After 28 years of endeavour, slogging up Scottish peaks of over 3,000ft, of which there are 282, Peter joins an elite of around 6,000 people who have accomplished the feat! He is now a 'compleatist', the traditional term, apparently, for those who've completed this Herculean task!

SUMMER SERVICES

Here are the details of where we'll be over the summer weeks of joint services:

Sunday 19th August – Holiday at Home service at MLBC

Sunday 26th August – joint service at St Paul's