

### 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](mailto:fcyouthministry3@gmail.com) or [07805 446509](tel:07805446509)

### SUMMER SERVICES

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

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August - own churches – Holy Communion at St Alban's**

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> August – Holiday at Home service at MLBC

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August – joint service at St Paul's

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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 for our joint all-age service

**It's good to be together in God's presence, and when His body displays unity, God promises His blessing (see Psalm 133). There have always been disputes and disagreements within the family of God, just as there always are within our earthly families. But we don't give up on our family, and God hasn't given up on us! We need to take every opportunity to affirm our one-ness, as all being part of the body of Christ, the whole being made up of a huge variety of parts, each with their role to play. Let's cherish our distinctiveness, being part of our one-ness.**

### Events this week

<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> August</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Joint all-age worship</b>
<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> August</b>	<b>2.30pm</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>

### Events next week

<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>OWN CHURCHES (Holy Communion at St Alban's)</b>
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**WEEKLY PRAYER DIARY – Week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> August 2018 – with thanks to Audrey Silkin**

**Sunday** – Thank you for all the holiday activities and those who organise them; our own in Furzedown and in the Earlsfield area; plus the Streatham Youth and Community Trust, who realise the challenge of holidays for families without finances. They organise outings and special trips funded by donations to the organisation. Please take extra care of children in families where both parents are working.

**Monday** – We pray against the persecution which Christians suffer in some of the African countries. Fulani herdsmen attacked a church in Nigeria leaving 16 dead. The attackers then set 50 houses on fire. In Indonesia suicide bombers from the same family targeted 3 churches during early morning service, killing 13 and leaving 40 injured. The young men on motor bikes bombed the first church. The father exploded a car bomb at the 2<sup>nd</sup> and the mother blew herself up and her 2 young daughter at the 3<sup>rd</sup> church. Lord, please stop the wickedness of the Islamic State.

**Tuesday** – Now that the school holidays are here and there are no meals for families needing the Foodbank, may we be extra generous to meet their needs, including all the items required when there is no money such as personal care items and domestic ones, even washing up liquid.

**Wednesday** – Lord, we pray against our violent society. There have been so many deaths in London so far this year. We are likened to New York. We pray for our young people who now feel it is necessary to carry knives, who join gangs and deal in drugs. Please keep the wrong behaviour of adults away from young people. Give them good influences, goals and lifestyles.

**Thursday** – We thank you for the Barnabas Fund which works against persecution in Asia. There are Christian brick-kiln workers in Pakistan who cannot earn enough to feed themselves. Sometimes they even have to borrow from their employers for food and try to pay it back later. It is particularly difficult if there is sickness in the family. “The Lord has released us from our debt”, said Azal who suffers from asthma, and his wife had suffered an accident. Barnabas Fund had stepped in to help.

**Friday** – Lord, as Christians may we care about your creation and join people who are taking legal steps to stop evil people causing death. 2,000 dogs die in organised dog fights; 200 racing horses are killed each year, and 1,000 greyhounds die.

**Saturday** – Lord our Saviour, we bring to you our broken world. Please grant wisdom and success to leaders, diplomats and others seeking peace where there is conflict, antagonism and instability, especially for Syria and the destruction and misery it has suffered.

## HOLIDAY AT HOME STARTS SOON!

It's just over a week until our 'Caribbean cruise'  
at MLBC

from Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> August.

Pray for final preparations, for the volunteers' meeting this Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> August, for there to be a happy atmosphere during the whole week – and pray especially for good weather for the trip out on Thursday!



## 100 DAYS OF PRAYER

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

On 4<sup>th</sup> 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”.