



# ALL HALLOWS

*A Church of the Rainbow People of God*

**17<sup>th</sup> August 2014**  
**9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

**President and Preacher**  
**Rev Alan Batchelor**

**Readings**  
**Genesis 45:1-15**  
**Psalm 133**  
**Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32**  
**Matthew 15:(10-20) 21-28**

**Prayer for the day**  
Righteous God,  
You plead the cause  
of the poor and unprotected.  
Fill us with holy rage  
when justice is delayed,  
and give us the persistence  
to require those rights that are denied;  
For your name's sake,  
**Amen.**

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*God said: 'I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the bond between me and the earth.' And Desmond Tutu said, 'We are the Rainbow People of God.'*

## **Please pray for....**

- Sameer and for his mother
- Betsy and David for health and healing
- Roul and Kay who miss church but cannot get here without support
- A gentleman from Pakistan (who converted to Christianity from Islam) who is still detained in Morton Hall
- Jan's friend Margaret who has terminal cancer and for her husband David
- Jan's friend Helen recovering very slowly from a burst brain aneurysm, and also her family
- Kerry's work colleague Wendy who has terminal cancer and for her family
- A priest who will join us to help lead and minister
- All Hallows' Community Project as it explores the possibility of starting a "Pay As You Feel" / "Real Junk Food Project" café

## **The wider community....**

- All who use our building during the week – break dancers, the yoga groups, meditation group, OWLS, Community Project
- Members of Hyde Park Methodist and for their community shop and youth work
- Pupils receiving GCSE results on Thursday

## **For justice, peace and healing in the world....**

- For peace in Gaza and Israel and for all who are suffering in the midst of the renewed conflict
- For a peaceful resolution in Iraq, for the Yazidis and Christians who have had to flee their homes
- For the people of La Concha in Nicaragua
- For peace and reconciliation in South Sudan, Libya, Nigeria, Syria and Ukraine
- For refugees fleeing persecution and conflict throughout the world

PRAYERS: If you have a request you want included in this bulletin email [bulletin@allhallowsleeds.org.uk](mailto:bulletin@allhallowsleeds.org.uk) to let Helen know.

## **Regular events:**

**Sunday 10.30am** Morning Service “Sharing the Feast of Life”

**Monday 6.30pm** Yoga

**Tuesday 7pm** Yoga

**Wednesday 12-2pm** OWLS lunches (Bookable for older people)

**Wednesday 7pm** Capoeira

**Saturday** Breakdancing 4-5pm open class, **5-8pm** open session

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August 7pm** PCC meeting

## **Reflection**

Is there is more to holidays than meets the eye?

Among the rather depressing things heard expressed by some people must be included the words “I hate change!”. There may be good reasons for this; a topsy-turvy early life, many house moves, insecurity, fear and so on. But change is what happens regardless, it is what takes us forward, helps us grow, interiorly and exteriorly; and someone once said that “if we are not growing, then we are dying”. It is not in human nature to always remain the same. Holidays can be an opportunity to explore change as they are chosen purposely by us and are time-limited, so can be controlled to avoid anxiety.

They can be the chance of an adventure, a different view; relaxation of rigid routines and habits; camping, music festivals, visiting places of interest for the first time; trying to speak another language, eating strange foods, breathing in different air, scented with herbs or flowers foreign to our own gardens. Flying, walking, cycling; on trains, boats [on a lake or across the ocean] and so on.... They all broaden our horizons and deepen our experience, enlightening our vision. Every new experience further rounds our personalities and strengthens our self-confidence. People who are rounded and confident bring much to the world. They can inspire others to take the risk of growing and not to be anxious. If you are lucky enough to be having a holiday this

summer may it bring you not only rest, but the frisson of excitement, a bit of a thrill, some tingling nerve-ends, and an adventure you can talk about all winter! And through it all, may you grow into becoming even more the authentic person that God made, and who lurks within!

**The Real Junk Food Project Café**—we are looking at the possibility of opening a Pay As You Feel café. We now have a manager to run the café and are looking for volunteers to help get it started. If you are interested or want to know more please see Paul

### **President/Preacher Rota**

A volunteer is required to take on the president and preacher rota. Please see Kerry if you are able to help with this.

### **Summer work**

The entrance ceiling has been completed and is looking good! We now need to tidy up, clean and redecorate the wall. If you have some spare time over the summer holidays and would like to help out please see Paul

### **Ways to donate to All Hallows:**

- PARISH PANTRY: Don't forget your donation of food
- Please put donations of money on the collection plate on the small table by the back row of seats in church – regular donations are welcome including gift aid and direct debits to our bank account – see Richard for details
- Give your time to help out on with activities – café, gardening, events, gigs, working parties to clear and clean and to help with the Sunday Service (see Rob who does this rota)

**CONTACT DETAILS:** See our Church Wardens Jan or Paul

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