

@StJames'

Issue 14: October 2014

Save the Date

A parish trip to the Hackney Empire to see Mother Goose is planned for **Sunday 4th January 2015**. Open to all (big and small!), our Sunday School children will benefit from all the "Willing Shilling" pots.

Food Pantry

We are collecting tinned and non-perishable foods for distribution among the local street community who call at the Vicarage door. As the weather gets colder, please bring items to Church on a regular basis if you can - they will be very much appreciated.

Goodbyes

We will be saying goodbye to our organist, Andrew Brownhill, and to Tim and Patty Martin as they move on to pastures new. Our formal goodbyes will be at Parish Mass on Sunday 2nd November.



Walking with Hope

As a family, the Rodens did the Kia Oval 5K Fun Run on 13th September to raise money to support the Metabolic Unit at the Evelina Children's Hospital London. The unit does fantastic work to support both the children and their families. Hope Dixey my niece has a rare Metabolic Condition called GA1 (Glutaric Acidemia type 1). My parents, John and Hilary and I walked 6 laps of the outer perimeter of the Kia Oval and 1/2 a lap of the outfield of the pitch while pushing Hope in her pram and being cheered on by volunteers and staff of the Evelina.

The total amount we raised is £1065.35 - a big thank you to all who have donated - Laura, John and Hilary Roden, and not forgetting the little lady, Hope Dixey!

September PCC Meeting Summary

There had been no further progress with permission for the building works, but it was hoped to separate those parts which were not contested to move forward. Rosemary Ross presented the results of initial meetings with a lighting provider - no quotation was yet available and at least 2 more will be needed. The Church building insurance policy has increased by over £300 (due to an increase in rebuilding costs and provision of cover for the organ) - various options were also discussed for contents cover. The various IgNite reports were considered including a feasibility report to see whether it would be possible to have a mobile phone aerial installed in the tower. Full PCC meeting minutes are on the board in Church.

Donations for Big Winter Aid Drop

Donations are very welcome until Sunday 26th October. Please see the posters in Church with the list of items that are needed or click

[here](#). Items you can donate include new clothing for adults & children, nappies, and toiletries such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap and shampoo. Please be generous.



COFFEE
MORNING/
BRING
AND BUY

in aid of the refugees and
displaced families in Syria

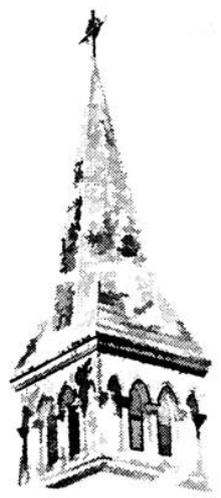
ST JAMES' VICARAGE
1a Arlington Square N1 7DS

Saturday 25th October
10-1pm



Hand in Hand
for Syria

UK Charity Reg 1145862



Getting to Know You Laura Roden



Birthday: May 24th

Place where you were born: Hackney, London.

How long have you been coming to St James'? On and off for about 19 years.

Diary Dates for October/November

Tuesday 14th October
7.30pm PCC Meeting in Church

Saturday 25th October
10am - 1pm Coffee Morning
and Bring & Buy at the Vicarage
in aid of Hand in Hand for Syria.

**7.30pm St James' Occasional
Concert** The Galliard Trio play
music by a range of composers
including Dvorak, Britten & Sibelius
in aid of Laamga (charity offering
mentoring & training for women).
Tickets at the door £10 (£6
concessions).

Saturday 1st November
1.00pm Wedding of Christopher
Sabine and Kerry Thompson, our
PCC secretary.

Sunday 2nd November
ALL SOULS Evening Prayer
6.30pm to include the annual
remembrance of all those who have
died - names of loved ones can be
added right up until the beginning
of the service.

Saturday 5th November
ISLINGTON PROM Music for
Four Hands - celebrity pianists
Mariko Brown & Julian Jacobson
perform music by Schubert,
Mozart, Debussy, Jacobson, Ravel &
Gershwin. Tickets £10 (concessions
£8).

Saturday 29th November
11am CHARITY CHRISTMAS
FAIR in aid of MOP, Shelter From
the Storm and CARIS in the hall.

Do you have/have you had any special roles at St James'? Yes, I am one of the Eucharist Ministers and a Sunday School Helper.

Do you have a family? I live with my parents, John and Hilary, and with my niece, Hope.

What is (or was) your day job? I am a Nursery Nurse.

Did (do) you enjoy school? Yes and No! I enjoyed primary school, but not secondary school.

What hobbies do you enjoy most? I like reading and listening to music.

What is your favourite kind of music? I grew up listening to 1960's and 1970's music, but I also like pop music such as Westlife.



Do you have a book that you would like to recommend? I enjoy reading the Agatha Christie Poirot series, but I don't have a particular recommendation.

What kind of food do you enjoy most? I can be quite fussy with what I eat, but do enjoy meat and potato.

Which person has most inspired you in life, and why?

Currently I would have to say my niece Hope as she shows you that no matter what happens you can smile and carry on.

Do you have a favourite place, and if so why is it special?

Roath Park Conservatory Botanic Garden in Cardiff is special for me because I used to visit with my Granny when we went to see her.



If you were given £50,000 to spend, what would you do with it? I'd open my own nursery in Ormskirk, Lancashire as this is where I attended University.

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