

21 JANUARY 2024

Dear Friends

Fr Nick Fisher will lead our usual Eucharist at 10:30.

18 to 25 January is a week of prayer for Christian unity, which began in 1908 as the Octave (8 day period) of Christian Unity, and focused on prayer for church unity. The events planned for Milan are organised by the Consiglio Chiese Cristiane Milano and are found [here](#). The objective for 2024 will be to draw together churches across the globe under the theme "You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbour as yourself" (Luke 10:27).

Our advertisement for a new chaplain was published in the Church Times last week. Thanks to everyone who made this happen.

January 21 is the feast day of St Agnes, the child martyr, put to death for her faith, in Rome in 304 A.D. under the emperor Diocletian.



Saint Agnes of Rome

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Council meeting

Council provisionally agreed the following dates for major 2024 events:

Fauré choral workshop - Requiem and Cantique de Jean Racine – 24 February fundraising event for the Disabled Lavatory Project (DLP)

AGM – first call 16 March second call 17 March. (The effect is that the AGM will take place after church on 17 March).

The Devil's Passion – Theatre fundraising event for the DLP – 19 March

Book fair – 11 May

Summer BBQ – 22 or 29 June

Christmas fair – 30 November

Christmas Carol Service – Nine Lessons and Carols – 15 December



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The Council discussed the draft financial statements and the draft budget. The final versions of these will be submitted to Council for approval at the next meeting, on 18 February. The draft financials show a surplus for 2023, excluding disabled lavatory funding, in excess of €15.000. However, our budget for 2024 shows a projected deficit of €7.000, which we will need to close. The deficit is due to building costs we will incur this year, and recruitment and salary costs of our new priest. Both these documents will be presented at the AGM.

Electoral roll revision

The annual revision of the electoral roll is commencing and will close on 18 February, after our Council meeting on that date, and the Roll will then be frozen until after the AGM. Nominations for elections for out two churchwardens, for three Council positions and for the Electoral Roll Officer will open on 18 February, and nominees must be on the Roll. The church privacy notice associated with the electoral roll is on the All Saints' website [here](#).

If you are not on our Electoral Roll and wish to be, please contact [Rupert](#), our [churchwardens](#), or [Laura Pakes](#), our Electoral Roll Officer. And if you have moved away from Milan and wish to be removed, contact one of us.

Sunday school

Emilie Clauet is running our Sunday School from 1 March, and so far has an impressive 16 young people enrolled. Emilie has asked us all to pray for her and for the success of the school. We should also thank her for this wonderful commitment to our children, and to the future of our church.

Hazel Thomas

The funeral for Hazel Thomas, our former Treasurer, will take place at All Saints' Church, Cottenham UK on Saturday 27th January at 12 noon. Donations in her memory to [The Trussel Trust](#), a charity addressing poverty in the UK, are gratefully received.

Pastoral care

For pastoral care during the coming week, please telephone (0039) 345 5835978 (Church mobile), (0039) 026 552258 (Priest's apartment), or email allsaintsmilanpriest@gmail.com

Links to our regular activities

Sunday evening prayer on Zoom at 18.00 is [here](#). **Morning prayer**, at 9.00 Monday to Friday, is [here](#).

Bible study in person is on Thursday at 12:30 for a chat and BYO sandwich, followed by the study at 13.00. Bible study by Zoom on Tuesday at 6pm using the link found [here](#).

The **Jolly Club** is held in the upstairs parish room on Tuesday from 12.30 onward for socialising. Bring your lunch along and any hobbies you may have.