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Dear Friends

Fr Nick Fisher will lead our usual Eucharist at 10.30 on Sunday.

We see the welcome return of Sunday School, which starts on 10 March and is open to children between 4 and 14 years of age. Our thanks to Emilie and all helpers for organising this, and we pray for God's blessing on the venture.



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Archdeacon's open forum

The Open Forum is usually held on the second Thursday of the month at 15.00, and is hosted by our Archdeacon of Italy and Malta Fr. David Waller via an informal Zoom that anybody can join.

Elizabeth Manzocchi Upton informs us "I have attended from the start and have very much enjoyed meeting and chatting with people from all parts of Italy and also Malta. Fr David manages the discussions in an open and relaxed way. He, too, participates and answers our questions and in this way, as well as making new friends, I have learnt a great deal about the Anglican Church in Italy and the various joys and problems we all share. I warmly suggest that more in Milan join - two newcomers joined the last meeting and were both enthusiastic."

The forum is scheduled for 7 March at 15.00 and can be joined using the link found here.

Annual General Meeting notice

Like many association meetings in Italy, the AGM now involves two "calls". The first call requires a quorum of 50% of members, which we rarely obtain, so the meeting is scheduled for 16 March with the expectation a quorum will not be achieved, so please do not attend on 16 March. This allows the second call to be held on 17 March, after church, when a quorum of one member is sufficient. Please try to attend on 17 March if you can.

We are electing two churchwardens and our electoral roll officer and three Council members. Two of our Council members retire at the AGM and can stand for re-election if they wish, and we have one vacancy to fill. Nomination forms are at the back of the church.



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The Devil's Passion

Tickets for **The Devil's Passion**, being staged on 19 March at All Saints', can be purchased <u>here</u>. A preview of the play is <u>here</u>. The play will raise funds for the disabled lavatory project.

Actor and writer Justin Butcher is discussing his motivation for the creation of the show, its themes and messages, and reactions from church communities with Vickie Sims on Zoom at 18.00 to 19.00 on Wednesday 6 and 13 March. The sessions are introduced by Julia Holden. To confirm the date you would like to join **Click here**.



Update on disabled lavatory project

We have received a donation from Rosemary Estacchini, the proceeds of sale of two of her paintings at her recent exhibition. Our thanks to her and all who donate, many anonymously and generously. Our fund now stands at over €28.500.

Council meeting 17 March following the AGM

The main items on the agenda are to appoint a Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary from among Council members, to appoint the Standing Committee (two churchwardens, two lay members) and to appoint our Safeguarding Officer for the year.

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 at 18.00 is here. Morning prayer, at 9.00 Monday to Friday, is here.

Bible study in person on Thursdays is led by Massimo at 12:30 for a start at 13.00.

Our Lenten course, exploring the approach each gospel writer takes to the account of the Passion, is on Tuesday at 20.00, hosted by Fr Nick using the link found <u>here</u>. On 12 March we will be considering St John's gospel. Bible study by Zoom is not taking place during Lent.

The **Jolly Club** is held in the upstairs parish room on Tuesday from 12.30 onward for socialising.