

St Francis of Assisi
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Charity Commission No. 1134856

Sunday, 8th October – Harvest

8 am Holy Communion - Richard Ford

10.45 am Worship for All Ages – Brian Griffiths

Preacher - Hazel O'Sullivan

HYMNS

133: Come, ye thankful people, come (omit v. 3)

Unless a grain of wheat shall fall

Praise God for the harvest

184: For the beauty of the earth

371: Jubilate (sing through twice)

Pat Allegacone would like to thank everyone from the congregation at St Francis for their good wishes and prayers during the time when she has been in hospital and rehabilitation. This has really helped to give strength and encouragement. She is back home now and hopes to come to a service, but it may be some time before this is possible.

Contributions to Gift Day this year will go towards Pew Bibles (both regular and large print versions) for use during services and by visitors. We will also donate to Book Aid who provide Christian literature (including Bibles) in places of need. If you would like your name added inside one of the bibles in church, please sign up on the sheet available.

Harvest donations this year will be split between two charities:-

Croydon Refugee Day Centre is a safe place to meet people and find support. They provide a cooked meal, food parcels, toiletries and household goods, as well as advice and practical assistance to refugees and asylum seekers in the Croydon area.

Food+ distributes packages of surplus fresh and non-perishable food to those facing food poverty across Bromley. It also provides practical assistance such as painting and decorating to vulnerable people in the community.

Prostate cancer will affect 1 in 8 men in the UK but it often comes without any symptoms until it spreads elsewhere. There is a fundraising dinner for men only at St Mary's on Saturday, 18th November with a speaker from Prostate Cancer UK. Come and find out more about this unnoticed disease. Contact Stephen Howe for tickets at £15 each on 020 8249 0315.

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Invitations for **Inquisitive?** discussion evenings on the big questions of life are available. Please do pick one up, give it to a friend or neighbour and offer to come with them to these events.

Jan Mason would like to thank everyone who supported the **Macmillan Cake Sale** after the joint service at St Mary's on 24th September. A profit of £341 was made for Macmillan thanks to the generosity and support of those who came along.

Sunday readings: If you would like to read ONE of the lessons in October, November or December, please print your name on the list at the back of the church. Thank you, Joan Burford

Prayer Ministry. If you come with any concerns about your health or have any other needs for which you would like prayer, do speak to one of the ministry team after the service and they would be pleased to pray with you. (Hazel, Richard, John, Rowena, Joan Read, Brian and Lesley.)

Pew sheet: Items for the pew sheet by Wednesday morning please: elizabeth_bligh@hotmail.com

Hazel's day off is Monday

What's on this week

Tuesday: 8 am Morning Prayer, **St Mary's**
2 pm Prayer Group, 25 Silver Lane

Wednesday: 9.30 am Morning Prayer
10.45am Holy Communion
2.30 pm Bereavement Support Group, Emmanuel Church

Thursday: 8 am Morning Prayer

Friday: 9 am Morning Prayer, **St Mary's**
10 – 12 noon church open to all
2 pm – Memory Box Café at Emmanuel Church
3.45 pm Messy Church at St Mary's

Saturday: 9 am Quiet Hour
10.30 am Action Aid Coffee
11 – 3 pm St John's Autumn Fair in St Francis Hall

Sunday, 15th October

8 am Holy Communion **at St Mary's** – Hazel O'Sullivan
10.45 am Family Communion – Brian Griffiths
Preacher - Hazel O'Sullivan

FIRE DRILL: IN THE EVENT OF FIRE, LEAVE THE CHURCH BY THE NEAREST FIRE EXIT AND ASSEMBLE ON THE FORECOURT OF CROFT RADIO UNTIL ADVISED IT IS SAFE TO RETURN TO THE CHURCH