



Chaplaincy of All Saints' Marseille with Aix en Provence and the Luberon Newsletter – March / April 2024

Licensing of The Revd Roxana Tenea Teleman as Assistant Chaplain

On Saturday, 23rd March, at a special service in All Saints' Marseille, we were delighted to welcome Roxana officially as our Assistant Chaplain.

Archdeacon Peter Hooper led the service and handed Roxana her new licence from the Bishop, while members of the congregation and ministry team presented her with symbols of ministry including keys to the church, a Bible, chalice and paten. The service was followed by a celebratory lunch in church attended by members of Roxana's family and friends, worshippers from our congregations and representatives of other Christian communities in Marseille.



Following her appointment, Roxana has a new email address which please would you use from now on: assistant.chaplain.marseille@gmail.com .

Easter

We had some joyful Easter Day services across the congregations, with celebrations of Holy Communion in Marseille (shared live on Zoom), the Luberon and Manosque. Over 70 people joined us in worship on the day, and it was good to welcome visitors from different parts of the world. A brunch was held at All Saints' after the service, with an Easter egg hunt for the youngest members. Chocolates were also distributed in the Luberon (no hunting required!).

Ascension Day / Olympic Flame

On Wednesday, 8th May the Olympic Flame will be arriving in France aboard the Belem, a three-masted sailing ship, to be greeted by President Macron on the Vieux Port in Marseille. The arrival will be marked by a naval parade, fireworks and a concert.

In preparation for the arrival, an ecumenical service will be held that day at **11.30 am** in the **Eglise Saint-Ferréol** on the Vieux Port, in which the chaplaincy will be taking part.

On Ascension Day, Thursday 9th May, the Olympic Torch Relay will begin at 8.30 am from the Basilica of Notre-Dame de la Garde in Marseille, passing through various locations in the city and concluding at the Velodrome Stadium in the afternoon.

We will be holding our **Ascension Day service at 11.00 am at All Saints'**, followed by either a picnic or lunch at the church (depending on the weather), and we will also be cheering the Olympic Flame along its route.

We would be delighted if you can join us for this unique occasion. Family and friends are all welcome too. (If you plan to come to the lunch, please let Roxana know for catering purposes – assistant.chaplain.marseille@gmail.com)

Chaplaincy Council

The Chaplaincy Council met on 13th April to prepare for our Annual Meeting, which is due to be held at **11.45 am on Sunday, 19th May** at All Saints' Marseille, shared live on Zoom for those who are unable to be in church. The Annual Report and Accounts will be circulated in advance of the meeting.

At the Annual Meeting, elections will be held for places on our Chaplaincy Council. Membership of the Council – which is open to anyone on our Electoral Roll - is an excellent way of becoming involved in the chaplaincy and having a say in its development. If you would like to stand for election, please let the Chaplain or one of the Churchwardens know in advance of the Annual Meeting. We are always keen to welcome new members – no previous experience needed!

Collection for Ukraine

During Lent we collected three large boxes of items to be donated to the Ukrainian Catholic community in Marseille, who will be sending them on one of their regular aid lorries to families and individuals suffering hardship in Ukraine as a result of the continuing conflict. The priest in charge of the Ukrainian Catholic Church has asked us to pass on his thanks to all who made donations.

And now for something completely different.

Jane has sent in this lovely picture to remind us of some of the good things in life.



Jane writes: 'Lambie was hand reared during the pandemic and made regular appearances at our zoom services curled up on my knee. She has her fans still! She is a devoted Mum to her little male lamb who arrived last Tuesday and has been given the name George!'

News from the Seamen's Club

Gaston Roumieu writes:

Positive news of record attendances during April, particularly in the evenings with seamen coming from cargo ships.

Dates for diary – May Services

Wednesday 1 ^s May	Compline at 10 pm via zoom
Friday 3 rd May	Evening Service with prayers for Healing at 6 pm via zoom
Sunday 5 th May	6 th Sunday of Easter Holy Communion at 10 am at All Saints' Marseille Holy Communion at 11.45 am via zoom
Wednesday 8 th May	Ecumenical service at 11.30 am at St Ferréol, Marseille Compline at 10 pm via zoom
Thursday 9 th May	Ascension Day – Holy Communion at 11 am at All Saints' Marseille, shared via zoom
Sunday 12 th May	7 th Sunday of Easter Holy Communion at 10 am at All Saints' Marseille, shared via zoom Holy Communion at 10.30 am at the Eglise du Sacré-Coeur, Oppède Holy Communion at 5 pm at the Eglise Protestante Unie, Manosque
Wednesday 15 th May	Compline at 10 pm via zoom
Sunday 19 th May	Pentecost Holy Communion at 10 am at All Saints' Marseille, shared via zoom AGM at 11.45 am at All Saints' Marseille, shared via zoom
Wednesday 22 nd May	Compline at 10 pm via zoom
Sunday 26 th May	Trinity Sunday Holy Communion at 10 am at All Saints' Marseille Holy Communion at 11.45 am via zoom Holy Communion at 5 pm at the Eglise Protestante Unie, Aix-en-Provence
Wednesday 29 th May	Compline at 10 pm via zoom

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