

A photograph of St Clement's Church in King Square, Finsbury. The church features a prominent, tall, slender spire rising from a square tower with a clock face. The main body of the church is a two-story classical building with a portico supported by four columns. The scene is set against a clear blue sky, with bare trees in the foreground and background, suggesting a late autumn or winter setting. The text is overlaid in white on the image.

St Clement's Church

King Square

The Heart
of

Finsbury

yesterday, today

and

tomorrow

Welcome and Introduction

St Clement's is a welcoming, diverse, and growing parish of the Diocese of London in the Church of England. God's love in Jesus Christ inspires us to love and serve those of all faiths and none who live within our parish boundaries between the City Road, Goswell Road and Old Street.

You are very welcome to join us for any of our services or events, or simply to sit in this beautiful building!

As Christians, the people of St Clement's seek to share our experience of God's life and love revealed to us through our Lord Jesus Christ. St Clement's is very much a neighbourhood church and we are glad to have gained a reputation for giving a warm, friendly and inclusive welcome to all.

Inclusive Church

We are happy and privileged to align ourselves with Inclusive Church - a group of Christians aligned around the following statement of belief: For more information on Inclusive Church visit:

www.inclusive-church.org

"We believe in inclusive Church - church which does not discriminate, on any level, on grounds of economic power, gender, mental health, physical ability, race or sexuality. We believe in Church which welcomes and serves all people in the name of Jesus Christ; which is scripturally faithful; which seeks to proclaim the Gospel afresh for each generation; and which, in the power of the Holy Spirit, allows all people to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Jesus Christ."

Regular Services & Events

Sundays

Livestream at 9.30am

Parish Mass (The Eucharist, Holy Communion)
- Sunday 10.30am

Sung service with hymns and sermon.
Kids' Club and crèche.
Followed by refreshments.

Weekday Services and Events

CrossTalk Tuesdays at 11am
Friends, informal chat, building bridges,
asking and sharing questions on a
particular Bible theme or text.
Do join us for coffee and more.....
every Tuesday at 11.00am in the church



TALK

Coffee Morning Wednesdays at 11am

Said Mass Wednesdays at 12.30pm

Messy Church

Every Last Saturday at 10:30 a.m. for 2h
A chance for children under 12 and parents/carers
TOGETHER to do some creative games and crafts.
Followed by a sandwich lunch.

Special Services

Mothering Sunday

4th Sunday in Lent at 10:30am

Stations of the Cross

Every Monday during Lent at 7pm

Harvest Festival

1st Sunday in October at 10.30am

All Souls Day -

Requiem Mass

1st Wednesday in November at 7pm

Remembrance Sunday

2nd Sunday in November at 10.30am

St Clement's Day

Sunday closest to 23rd November at 10.30am

Christmas Carol Service

Mid-December with mulled wine, mince pies and Christmas raffle

Look out for announcements of dates and times of these services and other special services and events on our website and on social media (see contact us section).

Children at St. Clement's

St Clement's Kids' Club

Any child of 3 years and above is welcome to join in St Clement's Kids' Club held every Sunday morning through the year. The children have their own story and activities based on the day's readings and theme in the Kids' Club Room, following the rhythm of the Church's year.

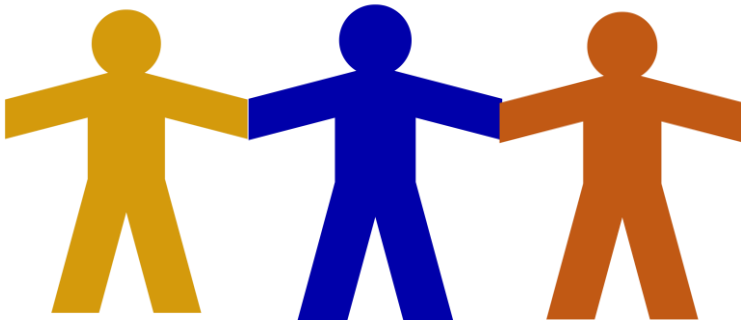
This is led by Sister Pam Radford SSM of St Saviour's Priory, Haggerston.

All the leaders are DBS-checked and both they and those who assist are usually parents of young children attending the club. Children go to their activities during the hymn before the Gospel reading and return in time for a blessing at the communion rail. Often the kids show us what they've been up to at the end of the service.

Children's Corner

Within the church, in the southwest corner, there is a soft play area with books and quiet toys suitable for very young children.

Parents and carers are very welcome to use this and the toys provided at any point in the service.



The Building

While St Clement's Church in King Square is one of the largest and oldest buildings in the area, many people are unaware of either its rich history or that St. Clement's is still a living Church community, welcoming people of all ages, races and backgrounds.

The building has survived two wars and enormous physical and social change in this neighbourhood, change which is still going on all around us. Here, at the heart of it, prayer has been offered for the local area and wider world for over one hundred and eighty years and we are still busy today. When the church is open - sadly, not as much as we would like - it is a haven of peace and quiet, deeply appreciated by those who spend time here.

The building is increasingly used by local groups and organisations and with funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund we have made improvements to our facilities in order to increase further the church's use throughout the week, as we continue to make our resources available to others and find better ways of serving the neighbourhood in Christ's name.

The roof, whose English oak and Welsh slate have kept us warm and dry for nearly two hundred years has needed serious work. Relaying and rebuilding the parapets in 2008 was a great help, but now the roof has been re-laid and many of the original slates renewed. For this we've been fortunate to secure a Heritage Lottery Fund Grant, approved by Heritage England, for these works.



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Work in the Local Area

St Clement's works closely with a network of organisations in the local area.

St Luke's Church of England Primary School

More information about the school can be found at:

<http://www.st-lukesislinton.co.uk/>

St Luke's Community Centre

For more information about the centre and its activities for old and young go to St Luke's website: www.slpt.org.uk/

The Dunloe Centre

St Clement's contributes to the work of the Dunloe Centre, a ministry attached to St Saviour's Priory in nearby Haggerston, which serves the homeless and other vulnerable people. The Centre provides hot food, basic supplies (such as tinned food and toiletries) and clothes, as well as friendship and advocacy for dozens of men and women each week. In a busy and fast-changing area the ministry provides refuge and support for those who have been left behind.

St Clement's supports this project as a way of recalling our Christian mission to feed the hungry and serve the poor in Christ's name.



Baptisms

St Clement's plays an integral part in the community for all of life's events, both happy and sad.

Baptisms



At St Clement's we baptise people of all ages.

Please contact Father David for more details.

Receiving a candle after Baptism



Weddings and Funerals



Weddings

If you would like to discuss holding your wedding at St Clement's please discuss this with Father David.

Funerals

The death of a loved one is an immensely sad and difficult time. Please contact Father David to discuss arrangements, or if you need a listening ear.

Music at St. Clement's

Our organ was built in 1876 by Father Willis for St Thomas's church, Agar Town, Camden. The church was heavily bombed during WW2. The organ pipes were saved and eventually moved to the restored St Barnabas church which was reopened as St. Clement's in 1954. We have worked hard over the last few years to fundraise to refurbish the organ. The first stage has been completed. You can now hear the organ every Sunday at our Sung Mass.



During the Sung Mass we sing congregational mass settings with traditional and contemporary hymns throughout the service.

Activities at St. Clement's

On Sunday afternoons, Liberty Christian Centre meet at 2pm. Pastor Winifred Dugbarty

St. Clement's is used throughout the week as a community space including a rehearsal space for amateur and professional musicians

We host several concerts throughout the year.
Check the website for details

Contact Us

For more information on anything in this booklet please contact Father David:



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As well as Vicar of St Clement's, he is also a member of the chaplaincy team at the City University, London and Sub-dean of Islington.

Assisting Fr David, we are lucky to have our curate, Vicki Davies, Sister Helen, SSM from St Saviour's Priory and Father Evan Jones who was vicar of St James, Prebend Street. You can contact them via the vicarage.

More details are on our websites: www.stclementfinsbury.org
and: <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/15424/>

See our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stclementfinsbury

Follow us on Twitter: [@StClementsEC1V](https://twitter.com/StClementsEC1V)

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How to Find Us

St Clement's is on the King Square Estate, facing King Square Gardens park (see below for map).

By Tube:

Northern Line - Angel and Old Street are both a 10 minute walk away.

Circle, Metropolitan and Hammersmith & City Lines - Barbican station is a 15 minute walk from the church

By Bus:

Bus routes 4, 56 stop on Goswell Road at the Percival Street Stop; 55, 243 stop on Old Street at the Goswell Road stops; and 43, 205, 214 and 394 stop on City Road at the Central Street stop all a short walk from the church.

By car:

There is no parking directly outside the church, but there is close by on Lever Street and Central Street.

