

Parish of Sanderstead and Hamsey Green

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All Saints' Church, Sanderstead

FAMILY WORSHIP with COMMUNION

9.30am Sunday 13th February 2022



Theme: The "On" switch – a new start.

Welcome, in the name of Jesus Christ, to All Saints' Church today - whether you are with us in person or watching this service on-line.

Please wait in silence and prepare for worship. You may find it helpful to reflect on the words of our first hymn: "Ponder anew all the Almighty can do."

Welcome and Opening Prayer

**We have come together in the name of Christ
to offer our praise and thanksgiving,
to hear and receive God's holy word,
to pray for the needs of the world,
and to seek the forgiveness of our sins,
that by the power of the Holy Spirit
we may give ourselves to the service of God.
Amen.**



HYMN: *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= vegvb1u5s4>

PRAISE TO THE LORD, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
Come ye who hear, brothers and sisters draw near,
Praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wing, yea, so gently sustaineth:
hast thou not seen all that is needful hath been
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee:
ponder anew all the Almighty can do,
He who with love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen sound from his people again:
gladly for ay we adore him.

Joachim Neander (1650-1680) trans. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

<i>Confession</i>

God our heavenly Father,
we come to you in sorrow for our sins.

For turning away from you, and ignoring your will for our lives;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For behaving just as we wish, without thinking of you;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For failing you by what we do, and think and say,
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For letting ourselves be drawn away from you by temptations in the world around us;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins;
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Collect for the 3rd Sunday before Lent

**Eternal God, whose Son went among the crowds and brought healing with his touch:
help us to show his love,
in your Church as we gather together,
and by our lives as they are transformed
into the image of Christ our Lord.
Amen**

Bible Readings



Psalm 1 (NKJV)

The Way of the Righteous and the End of the Ungodly

1 Blessed *is* the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful; ² but his delight *is* in the law of the LORD, and in His law he meditates day and night.

³ He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither; and whatever he does shall prosper.

⁴ The ungodly *are* not so, but *are* like the chaff which the wind drives away. ⁵ Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

⁶ For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: *John 3:1-17* (NIVUK)



Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus teaches Nicodemus

3 Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. **2** He came to Jesus at night and said, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him.'

3 Jesus replied, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.'

4 'How can someone be born when they are old?' Nicodemus asked. 'Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!'

5 Jesus answered, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. **6** Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. **7** You should not be surprised at my saying, "You must be born again." **8** The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.'

9 'How can this be?' Nicodemus asked.

10 'You are Israel's teacher,' said Jesus, 'and do you not understand these things? **11** Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. **12** I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? **13** No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven – the Son of Man. **14** Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, **15** that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.'

16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. **17** For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN: *As the deer pants for the water, based on words from Psalm 42.*

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jv6Z8t1Tz_g

AS THE DEER PANTS FOR THE WATER

so my soul longs after you.
You alone are my heart's desire
and I long to worship you

You alone are my strength, my shield,
to you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire
and I long to worship you.

I want you more than gold or silver,
only you can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy-giver
and the apple of my eye.

You're my friend and you are my brother,
even though you are king.
I love you more than any other,
so much more than anything.

Martin Nystrom, based on Psalm 42:1-2
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SKETCH – *The Christmas Present* 

TALK – *Elaine Leck*

Theme: The "On" switch – a new start.



Affirming our Faith

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Prayers

Merciful Father
**Accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

The Peace



We share a sign of God's Peace

The peace of the Lord
be always with you!
And also with you.

HYMN: *Speak, O Lord, as we come to you*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3tPp8ov7cks>

SPEAK, O LORD, AS WE COME TO YOU

To receive the food of Your Holy Word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness.
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail;
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises;
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built,
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

Songwriters: Keith Getty / Stuart Townend

Coffee



*We prepare to share the bread and wine
of the Lord's Supper*



The Lord is here

His Spirit is with us

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Why is it right to give thanks and praise? Listen, and we will hear.

Lord of all life,

you created the universe,

where all living things

reflect your glory.

You give us this great and beautiful earth,

to discover and to cherish.

You give us sun and moon and star-lit sky,

everything that gives us light,

light for our eyes,

our hearts, our minds.

You give us your love,

even when things go wrong.

Jesus knew hurt and pain.

Through him you wipe away our tears,

and fill us with your peace.

You give us happy times

and things to celebrate.

In these, we taste your kingdom,

a feast for all your children.

You made us all,

each wonderfully different,

to join with the angels and sing your praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

We thank you, loving Father,
because, when we turned away,
you sent Jesus, your Son.
He gave his life for us on the cross
and shows us the way to live.

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine
may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

Why do we share this bread and wine? Listen, and we will hear.

On the night before he died,
when darkness had fallen,
Jesus took bread.
He gave thanks,
broke it,
and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my body, given for you.
Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten,
he took the cup of wine,
gave thanks,
and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many,
for the forgiveness of sins.'
So Father, with this bread and this cup
we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life.
As you feed us with these gifts,
send your Holy Spirit,
and change us more and more
to be like Jesus our Saviour.

How do we follow Jesus Christ? Listen and we will hear.

**Help us, Father,
to love one another,
as we look forward to that day
when suffering is ended,
and all creation is gathered
in your loving arms.**

And now with all your saints
we give you glory,
through Jesus Christ,
in the strength of the Spirit,
today and for ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer



As Jesus taught us, so we pray

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom,
the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.
Amen.**

The priest breaks the consecrated bread

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.
God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.
**Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the Glory of God the Father.**

The Holy Communion is distributed.

Everyone is invited. All who receive Holy Communion in their own churches are welcome. The stewards will guide you.

If you would prefer to partake in just one form - a wafer - please indicate by saying "one" to the Priest. If you would like both bread and wine please say "both" and the Priest will then dip your wafer in the wine and place it in your hands. When receiving communion, it is customary to say 'Amen' as you receive the elements.

*If you do not wish to receive Communion, please come up to the altar and bow your head for a prayer of blessing.
After a time of Quiet, we say together:*

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood
of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you
our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

Any notices and announcements.

THE BLESSING

The Lord bless you and watch over you,
the Lord make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you,
the Lord look kindly on you
and give you peace;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

HYMN: *King of kings, majesty*



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZKAQvIEotc8>

KING OF KINGS, MAJESTY,

God of heaven living in me
Gentle Saviour, closest friend,
Strong Deliverer, Beginning and End
All within me falls at Your throne

*Your Majesty, I can but bow
I lay my all before You now
In royal robes I don't deserve
I live to serve Your Majesty*

Earth and heaven worship You,
God Eternal, Faithful and True
Who bought the nations, ransomed souls
Brought this sinner near to Your throne
All within me cries out in praise:

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Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ. Amen!



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NOTICES for Sunday 13 February 2022

Thursday 17 February – Midweek Communion

12.30pm Holy Communion in St. Catherine's Aisle. All are welcome - everyone from the All Saints congregation, the community, the staff - come along and fulfil Jeremy's dream of a full church!

Sunday 20 February – Parish Eucharist

9.30am Holy Communion with the choir and JIGSAW (Sunday School)

FAREWELL to BISHOP JONATHAN, Bishop of Croydon

- **Farewell Evensong - Thursday 24 Feb, 5.30pm,**
Croydon Minster Church St, Croydon CR0 1RN
- **Farewell reception – Thursday 24 Feb, 7pm,** The Minster Parish Church
Junior School, Warrington Road, Croydon CR0 4BH

You have to book for both of these events – more details are on page 15 of the latest Keep In Touch newsletter.

Six Nations Rugby – Saturday 26th February, 4.30pm

The Men's Group will be watching the England vs Wales rugby match on **Saturday 26th February** in St Catherine's Aisle. Kick-off is at 4.45pm so please arrive from 4.30pm. Refreshments will be provided but please let Tony Robinson (Tonyofsanderstead@gmail.com) or David Chillman (david.chillman@btinternet.com) know if you would like to come. All are welcome.

CHURCH AWAY DAY - Saturday 5 March, 9am to 3.30pm

This is your opportunity to have a say in shaping the future of our Parish! We are all invited to join together at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Queen Mary's Avenue, Carshalton, Surrey, SM5 4NP on 5 March for a day to begin the process of discerning God's will for a future incumbent in our parish.

Please do come along to this important event if you possibly can. It is an essential opportunity to take stock and pray together; express views about the

future of God's mission in our parish and the kind of person we might be looking for; and to hear about the process for appointing an incumbent.

Let Rosanne know whether you can come by no later than close, **Monday 28 February**; either sign up on the ChurchSuite link (in email sent on Thurs 3rd Feb or on website) or telephone the Parish Office on Tel: 020 8657 0665. This is really important for enabling us to plan the event.

All Saints Mission giving – 2021

We are delighted to report that we were able to make donations totaling £6,950.00 in 2021 to the following in support of their ongoing work.

All recipients were most grateful for our support and have all acknowledged our gifts. This is only possible through the munificence of All Saints congregation and visitors who donated to our appeals, so *thank you*.

You have made a difference with these generous offerings.

Donations to Overseas missions are:	Donations to Local Charities:	Collections taken at our Christmas services:
Alison Hawksbee (Paraguay) £1,200.00	Children's Society (Croydon Branch) £150.00	Croydon Refugees Day centre £250.00
CMS £700.00	Croydon Refugees £1,000.00	Crisis £500.00
Sugandh (South Asia) £700.00	Sanderstead Neighbourhood Care £1,000.00	Growbaby £250.00
USPG £700.00		

Michael Turner,
All Saints Treasurer