

NOTICES for SUNDAY 5th & 12th March

2nd and 3rd Sundays of Lent

Hymns for 5th March:

HON 46, HON 169, HON 510 and HON 56

Lectionary readings for 5th March:

Genesis 12:1-4a, Psalm 121, Romans 4:1-5, 13-17, John 3: 1-17

Hymns for 12th March:

HON 14, HON 39, I lift my eyes to the hills, HON 120

Lectionary readings for 12th March:

Exodus 17:1-7, Psalm 95, Romans 5:1-11, John 4:5-42

Sunday 5 March, 3pm – 4.30pm: Messy Church & Activity Time



Messy Church in church for young children & their parents/carers, – songs, crafts and activities. **Activity Time** in the Church Halls for young people from 9 years old (table tennis, snooker etc). Refreshments will be provided.

Wednesday 8 March - Purley Classics

Lunchtime Music Recital, 1.15 to 2.00 pm. Riccardo Pes, Cello – playing J S Bach, Thomas Tallis, and others. St Mark's Church, Church Road, Woodcote, Purley CR8 3QQ. £6.00 on the door – cash only. For more details visit www.purleyclassics.com

LENT: Thursdays 7.30pm - SCHOOL OF THE SPIRIT

Churches Together In Sanderstead's weekly Lent Talks every Thursday in March hosted by Sanderstead URC. The theme is **God's love in action**. A retiring offering will be taken for each charity.

9th March: Revd David Rogers speaking on Christian Family Concern, a Croydon charity.

16th March: Nigel Davidson speaking on Christians Against Poverty (CAP), providing free help for managing money and finding a job.

Sunday 12 March

9.30 am: All-age Worship & Holy Communion

Preacher: Revd Jeremy Groombridge

8 Magnifying glasses still needed for the All Saints Missing Body CSI workshop on 13th and 14th March for the children to use. If anyone has a spare one we can have or borrow, please tell Sue Thomas or Paul from the Parish Office. Thank you. *Sue Thomas, Churchwarden*

Tuesday 14 March, 7.00pm PCC meeting in the church vestry.
Please pray.

Thursday 16 March, 12.30pm Midweek Communion in St. Catherine's Aisle. All welcome.

Sunday 19 March – Mothering Sunday

9.30 am: Parish Eucharist

Preacher: Revd Carol Bates

Tuesday 21 March - Church Spring Cleaning day

We will hold our annual Spring cleaning day in church from 9.30am till approx 3 pm. If you are able to help for any or all of the time, please let Corrie Hibberd know: Bread and cheese lunch will be provided. corinna.hibberd@gmail.com tel 020 8657 4562.

PARISH ELECTORAL ROLL & DIRECTORY UPDATE SPRING

If you are not already on the Electoral Roll or Parish Directory and wish to be included, please request the application forms from the Electoral Roll Officer. Inclusion in the Parish Directory is optional for those on the Electoral Roll.

The application forms should be returned to the Parish Office no later than 1 April 2023. Please also contact the Electoral Roll Officer if you wish your name to be removed or amended from the current Electoral Roll or Parish Directory, or you know of any parishioner or member of the congregation who has passed away or moved since April 2022, or if you have any queries.

Electoral Roll Officer David Chillman 020 8657 7397

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THE BISHOP OF SOUTHWARK'S LENT CALL 2023

"How shall we sing the Lord's song in a strange land?" Psalm 137:4



In 2023, The Bishop of Southwark's Lent Call is raising funds for projects that work to improve mental health and well-being.

Week 2: The Croydon Episcopal Area

Whyteleafe Community Hub collects and donates food, toys & clothes to local people. Their foodbank feeds more than 350 people each month. They offer a befriending service for the elderly, vulnerable and lonely, a Gardening Club & support for Ukrainian refugees.

Ment4 is based in Croydon and has a team of mentors to get alongside troubled young people who have fallen into hopelessness, violence and crime.

Week 3: The Kingston Episcopal Area

The Fircroft Trust works to support adults who have mental health challenges or learning disabilities who live in the local community of Kingston.

The Man Shed is a workshop style environment for 15 men either with mental health challenges or who are at risk of developing mental health issues due to social isolation. It provides a safe environment where participants can make friends, feel valued and talk to each other. More than one in ten men are lonely but would not admit it. Suicide is the most common cause of death for men under 49 years in England and Wales and men are three times as likely to commit suicide than women. The Man Shed is proving very popular and there is now a waiting list.

The AT Beacon Project provides health and well-being services to underserved communities. By working with local faith and community leaders, it runs well-being hubs, community events.

Please pray for and support these projects. Find out more at

www.southwark.anglican.org/lentcall

In church: Use the small dedicated pink envelopes marked 'Bishops Lent Call' found on the back of pews.

On the Lobby boards There is more information on the Lent Call in the Church and Church Hall lobbies, updated weekly.

Rector's Office Rosanne is on annual leave week commencing 6th March.
And Revd Carol is on retreat from Friday 3rd March.

Safeguarding / 'A Safe Church': If you ever have any concerns, speak with one of the clergy or with Margaret Quiney 8657 4087 or Katheryn Hewitt 8657 6659, our Safeguarding Officers.

"Then your light will break forth like the dawn, and your healing will quickly appear; then your righteousness will go before you, and the glory of the LORD will be your rear guard." Isaiah 58:8