



NOTICES for SUNDAY 4th February 2024

Songs for this Sunday: HON 302 (Let us with a gladsome mind); HON 514 (Thou, whose almighty word); SP 161 (Lord of the church); HON 46 (At the name of Jesus).

Lectionary readings for this Sunday: Proverbs 8:1,22-31; Psalm 104:26-end; Colossians 1:15-20; John 1:1-14.

Collect for this Sunday: O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Gill French

It is with sadness that we let you know that Gill French passed away peacefully on 29 January at 4am. Funeral details to follow.

Barbara Adams

We also let you know that Barbara Adams passed away last week. Please pray for their families at this time of loss.

Church of England LENT RESOURCES

- 1) Pick up a free Watch & Pray Lent booklet from the back of church. Donations welcome.
- 2) Sign up to receive a daily Lent reflection by email.....
<https://www.churchofengland.org/faith-calling/what-we-believe/lent-holy-week-and-easter/watch-and-pray-lent-reflections>

'WARM SPACE' every WEDNESDAY at St. Antony's, 11am-3pm

Places of Welcome create spaces where people feel safe to connect, belong and contribute. Pop in! No charge. Refreshments provided.

Children's Society Box Opening - Sat 10 February, 10am to 12pm

The annual Children's Society box opening will take place on Saturday 10th February between 10am and 12 noon in All Saints Hall. This is an ideal opportunity to have your box counted while enjoying a cup of coffee and a cake. Even if you do not have a box, please come along to meet your friends and neighbours while having a coffee and cake.

Richard Wragg

Sunday 11 February – Next Sunday before Lent

9.30am: Parish Eucharist. Speaker: Revd Carol Bates

The MOTHERS' UNION AGM - Monday 12 February 7.30pm

The MU AGM will be held on Monday 12th February 7.30pm in the Garden Room in the halls. This is an important meeting to discuss how the branch moves forward in 2024 and an update on the MU worldwide. *Rosemary Kempzell*

Anne Fixter – Tuesday 13 February, 12 noon

The funeral service and celebration of the life of Anne Fixter will take place on Tuesday 13th February at 12 noon at All Saints Church. All are welcome and are invited to wear something pink to the service. Refreshments will be served in the halls following the service. *Mike*

ASH WEDNESDAY – Wednesday 14 February, 5.00pm

5.00pm Parish Eucharist with ashing to mark the beginning of Lent, also with choir and organ. Speaker: Revd Carol Bates.



MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION – Thursday 15 February, 12.30pm

12.30pm Said Eucharist. At the beginning of Lent, pause to be still and consider the lead up to Easter.

Men's Group Talk "London by Night" - Friday 16 February, 7.30pm

Andy Warde (a Blue Badge Guide) will be talking to the Men's Group in the Small Hall on the subject of "London by Night". Refreshments will be available from 7.00pm and again afterwards. Andy's talks are always very popular and there will be no charge, but modest voluntary donations would be appreciated. As ever, all are welcome but for catering purposes please let Dick Hibberd (07775 824 743) or David Chillman (07870 978 844) know if you would like to come, by **Wednesday 14th Feb.**

FOODBANK - Please consider donating any of our 12 priority items in February [*Boxes at the back of church and in the Hall lobby.*]



Cartons of Whole Longlife Milk (for clients' children), Small Bags of Sugar (500g), Jars of Meat and Fish Paste, Tinned Meat Meals - especially Chicken and Beef, Packet Soup, Jars of Honey, Small Boxes/Packs of Tea Bags (80 or 120), Packet Custard requiring only water, Tinned Rice Pudding, Tin Openers, Shampoo, Toilet Rolls.

FAIRFIELD HALLS CONCERT (7pm for 7.30pm) & BUFFET (6pm) - Saturday 17 February

Join International Needs for an evening of Viennese music, played by the exquisite Croydon Symphony Orchestra. Book your seats for the Concert (£25) directly with the Fairfield Halls Booking Office here:

<https://www.fairfield.co.uk/events/croydon-symphony-orchestra-24#dates-and-times>.

Make your evening even more special by sharing a delicious buffet beforehand to hear more about the work of International Needs. Book for the Buffet (£8) directly with International Needs – online at: <https://ineeds.org.uk/events> / Tel: 01883 331332.

All raising money for our Disability Inclusion Projects in Uganda.

Saturday 2 March - LAY CONFERENCE Croydon Episcopal Area

For all Church-goers... at St Bede's School, 64 Carlton Road, Redhill, RH1 2LQ

The conference will be a day, 9.30am to 5pm, of uplifting worship and inspiring talks and workshops, all about how Christians can respond to the challenges of our own day. The theme for the conference is Magnificat! From Praise to Passionate Action.

The deadline to register is Sunday 11 February. To book your place, please visit <https://CroydonLayConference2024.eventbrite.co.uk> The cost, including refreshments and lunch, is £10 per person (you will be charged an additional Eventbrite admin fee of £1.55, so total £11.55), payable when you book. For support with booking, please contact learning@southwark.anglican.org or romana.nelson@southwark.anglican.org or call the Croydon Area office on 020 8256 9630.

Look out for the printed booklet displayed in both lobbies (Church & Hall).

Write your will for free online

Will writing can be time-consuming and difficult – and that's a big reason why many people put it off. To make it easier, the Church of England has partnered with Farewill, the National Will Writing Firm of the Year 2022, to offer a free online will writing service, which you can do from home in less than 30 minutes. If you have questions, Farewill's specialist team can help you over the phone or live chat 7 days a week.

Making a will and keeping it updated is the only way to ensure a person's wishes are carried out after their death, giving them peace of mind that they can continue supporting the family, friends and charities they love. In using Farewill, there is no obligation for anyone to leave a gift in their will to their church. However, if someone decides that they can, that gift - great or small - will help the church's ministry and mission thrive for the benefit of future generations.

For more details, contact Michael Turner, The Treasurer

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All Saints' & St Antony's in the Parish of Sanderstead

Growing in Christ, working together with the community and sharing God's love

Safeguarding / 'A Safe Church':

If you ever have any concerns, contact one of our Parish Safeguarding Officers:

Julie Marsh 8651 2109/ julie.safeguarding@sanderstead-parish.org.uk or Katheryn Hewitt
8651 6308/ katheryn.safeguarding@sanderstead-parish.org.uk.

*“Arise, shine for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.”*

Isaiah 60:1