NOTICES for SUNDAY 24th March 2024



Palm Sunday

Songs for this Sunday: Sing Hosanna; Ride on, ride on; The Power of the Cross; King of Kings, Majesty; To God be the Glory.

Lectionary readings for this Sunday: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 118:1,2,19-end; Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 11:1-11.

Collect for this Sunday: True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory. Amen

Sunday 24 March – *Palm Sunday*

3.00pm: CAFÉ CHURCH at St. Antony's - a relaxed worship service.

Weekly Morning Prayer on Thursdays, 8.30am at St. Antony's

A short liturgical service of praise to God with a Psalm, Old & New Testament readings and Intercessory prayer. All Welcome.

Sunday 28 March – *Maundy Thursday*

7.00pm Maundy Thursday Eucharist led by Revd Jeremy Groombridge [Note the change of time from 5pm to 7pm].

Friday 29 March – Good Friday

9.30am Good Friday Family Worship – crafts & refreshments.

2.00pm Service of Prayer & Reflection led by Revd Jeremy Groombridge

Good Friday Walk of Witness - CHURCHES TOGETHER in Warlingham

It has not been possible to organise a Good Friday Walk of Witness in Sanderstead this year. However, Rev Graham Claydon-Knights, who is the Minister of both Sanderstead and Warlingham Methodist Churches is co-ordinating the following event on Good Friday, in conjunction with Churches Together in Warlingham. He extends a warm welcome to anyone wishing to join them. Here are the details:

At Warlingham Methodist Church –

- 10.45 am to 11.45am Prayer and Reflection Stations of the Cross
- 11.45 am meet in the church car park for Walk of Witness to the Green for a short service at 12 noon.

Saturday 30th March – Holy Saturday

9.00am Parish Prayers in the Garden Room led by Revd Jeremy Groombridge

Flower / plants wanted to decorate the Easter tomb – Sat 30th March

Anne Fixter decorated the Easter tomb outside the church for the last few years and we'd like to continue the tradition in her memory. **On Holy Saturday (30th March) in the morning (any time)**, please bring along plants in small pots or flowers in small vases / jam jars. Please leave them by the tomb – they will be arranged in the afternoon. All can be reclaimed the week after Easter. *Any queries contact Judith 07940 594464*.

Sunday 31st March – Easter Sunday

- **7.00am** Sunrise Service by the church porch
- **8.30am** The Men's Group are organising an **Easter breakfast**. All are welcome. If you would like to come, for catering purposes it would be helpful (but not essential) if you could let David Chillman, Tony Robinson or Dick Hibberd know beforehand.
- **9.30am** Parish Eucharist with choir. Speaker: Bishop David Atkinson.

Joint Easter Sunday Service Organised by Croydon Churches Forum (CCF) **Sunday 31st March from 6.30-8.45pm at New Life, Croydon**

This will be part of our public declaration: Last year in Fairfield Halls we announced that Croydon Churches would come together to worship on Easter Sunday to mark the coming to an end of the Borough of Culture year.

CHURCH GARDENING MORNING - Sat 13 April from 9.30am approx.

Any help with gardening jobs and tidying up around the church would be much appreciated. Please bring gloves and sturdy footwear. Sacks will be provided and some mid-morning refreshments! *Ann and Michael Turner*

UNLOCK LONDON WALK No. 41 – Sat 27 April, 9am to 5pm

This year it covers Kensington, Chelsea, Hammersmith and Fulham and takes place on Sat. 27th April, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. A fun way to raise money for deprived urban areas across the UK. Further details from unlock-urban.org.uk or *Ann Turner 020 8657 5224.*

HALL ACTIVITIES We have a new little flyer called 'Hall Activities' telling us what activities are on offer at All Saints & St. Antony's. Please do take one and get involved. Copies are at the back of church and in the Church Hall foyer. *Michael Turner*

EASTER LILIES If you would like to donate an Easter Lily, please could you put £5 into an envelope with your name, and either give it to Ann Turner or Lynne Davison at church, or leave in the parish office. Thank you.

Carol's leaving collection

Anyone wishing to contribute to Carol's leaving collection should place their gift in cash or cheque in an envelope marked 'CAROL BATES' and hand it to a Warden / Treasurer or put it in the collection plate on Sunday. (Make cheques payable to "Sanderstead All Saints PCC"). Alternatively, you can make a BACS payment to "Sanderstead All Saints PCC", sort code: 55-70-30 Account No: 34786996, reference 'Carol' or by payment card in the office. *Michael, Hon. Treasurer*

Application forms ahead of APCM

Application forms for membership of the PCC and / or Deanery Synod or for the role of Church Warden are available at the back of Church or from the Parish Office. There are vacancies on the PCC and Deanery Synod whilst the Wardens are re-elected annually. Completed forms should be returned to me or to the Parish office or left in an envelope on the rack at the back of Church marked for my attention. If you would like to learn a bit more about what is involved, please speak to me or to the Wardens. Dick Hibberd Secretary to the PCC (07775 824 743 / dccsec@sanderstead-parish.org.uk)

ELECTORAL ROLL & DIRECTORY REVISION SPRING 2024

Please note that the closing date for applications for the Electoral Roll and Parish Directory is 30 March. (Inclusion in the Parish Directory is only available to those on the Electoral Roll, and is optional).

The application forms are available from the Parish Office or from the back of the Church (on the rack under the tower) and should be returned to the Parish Office by the due date. If you have any queries, please contact the Electoral Roll Officer

David Chillman T: 020 8657 7397 M: 0787 097 8844 E: david.chillman@btinternet.com

A BIG THANK YOU

Many thanks to the hordes of people who helped Spring Clean All Saints in record time on Thursday. With all the dusting, sweeping, washing, polishing, vacuuming, and cleaning, the church will be looking its best to celebrate Easter. Thanks also to Jeremy for letting us conclude with Midweek Communion. Thanks for all the help. *Corrie*

Requests to help the Ukraine

As our British news has gone quieter on the perils that some Ukrainians are still facing, please know that much needed collections of various items are still happening at St Gertrude's Church, South Croydon. This church also organises the transportation of these items out to Ukraine. The following items are being requested:-

- Men's clothes especially larger sized hoodies, tops, tracksuit bottoms, slippers, new underwear and socks.
- Cooking pots and pans (a special request from a children's hospital for kitchen and cookware)

[No books in English or soft toys for now, thank you]

Any gifts can be delivered to Margaret's house, and she will deliver to St Gertrude's. Please ring Margaret on Tel: 020 8657 4087 to arrange delivery, either for you to drop off or for her to collect from you.

There is a fundraising page to help with the transportation to Ukraine: https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/frontline-live (for those who prefer to donate money). Margaret Quiney

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