



# NOTICES for Sunday 8 December

*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent - lighting 2<sup>nd</sup> Advent candle*

You can watch this service online (live or catch up) by going to 'Talks & Sermons' on the church website <https://www.sanderstead-parish.org.uk/talks>

## 9.30am Family Worship with Communion

Preacher: The Ven Greg Prior, Archdeacon of Croydon

Jesus asked, "Do you love me?"

## 3.00pm Messy Christmas - for children & their parents / carers

followed by Christingle .....

## 4.00pm CHRISTINGLE - for everyone

Sweets, oranges, candles...followed by drinks & mince pies



**Lectionary readings:** Malachi 3:1-4; Philippians 1:3-11; Psalm 75; Luke 3:1-6.

**Today's readings:** Malachi 3:1-4; Psalm 75; John 21:15-19

**Collect:** Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God. **Amen**

*Every week at St. Antony's...*

**Sundays at 3.00pm: CAFÉ CHURCH** - a relaxed worship service with Afternoon Tea, refreshments, singing, Bible readings, a short talk, prayers, and time to get to know Jesus better. **Holy Communion on 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month.**

## Christmas Services Flyers



are at the back of the church; take as many as you'd like to give away to friends, families and neighbours. We can print more.

## UN 16 Days of Activism against gender-based violence

[25 November - 10 December] Mothers' Union is highlighting the fact that, devastatingly, 1 in 3 women around the world are subjected to physical or sexual violence. Please take a moment to notice the **red chair** in church highlighting the void left behind by each and every one of them. *Rosemary Kempzell*

## **PAT TESTING – Wednesday 11 December**

Our annual PAT Testing will take place first thing on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December. Any items needing testing, please bring to the Parish Office by 1.30pm on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December. *Paul Shipley*

## **Thursday 12 December, 7.30pm – Cantilena Singers at All Saints featuring The Sanderstead 2 o'clock Bells**

This is a free concert at All Saints with refreshments and a raffle. The Cantilena Singers are a Sanderstead ladies' choir – they are collecting contributions for Purley Food Hub on the night so bring along your items (tins of fruit / vegetables, packet soups, jars of pasta sauce, bars of soap...). There will also be a monetary collection at the end of the concert for choir expenses and funds. The Sanderstead 2 o'clock Bells will be playing some Christmas songs and carols from around the world. Come & support this community Christmas event!

## **Sunday 15 December – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent - lighting 3<sup>rd</sup> Advent candle**

**9.30am Parish Eucharist with choir**

*Preacher:* Revd Kevin Garrett

## **3.00pm – ST. ANTONY'S Carol Service**

Choir, organ, carol singing, a Christmas message and more – come along!



## **Christmas Eve Lunch, 11.30am to 2.30pm at All Saints**

This year, instead of a Christmas Day Lunch, we are hosting a Christmas Eve Lunch. If you know anyone in the Parish who would be on their own this Christmas, please spread the word. To book a place, contact the Parish Office (details at bottom of notices). We will need contact details and dietary requirements (i.e. vegetarian, gluten free, allergies). There is a list at the back of the church for signing up to donate items for the Christmas Eve Lunch. Please sign up, we need your support!

*Katheryn Hewitt*

## **Abbeyfield Sanderstead Christmas Day Lunch & Tea**

- Christmas Day Lunch, 11.30am to 2.00pm - Roast turkey with all the trimmings - £15
- Christmas Day Tea, 4.30pm – 6.30pm – Sandwiches with pickles & mince pies - £8

If you would like to join us on Christmas Day at Lunch or Tea, please call 020 8768 3737. Pre-booking is essential.

**Bring your own cup** If you can bring your own cup for refreshments after church, it would help us be more eco-friendly. 😊

## **Homemade Mince Pies for After the Carol Service on December 22nd**

Could you make some mince pies for this event? If so, please sign on the list at the back of church. We can never have too many. Homemade mince pies are always yummy!  
Many thanks *Fanny Smith*

## **Home Groups**

We have several Home Groups that meet midweek, either weekly or fortnightly, mostly in people's homes, although sometimes in the Church or Church Hall; most groups meet in the evening but some meet during the daytime. Home Groups are an important way of nurturing friendships, building community, going deeper. If you would like to know more or would like to join one, let Rosanne know (contact details at bottom of Notices).

## **Toiletries for GROWBABY** Charity No. 1185228 *helping children & families in need*

Mothers' Union are collecting toiletries for the Growbaby mums and dads to give them a Christmas present - body lotions, hand creams, shower gels, aftershave, deodorant, anything that would make them feel special. No SHAMPOO or hair products as the different types of hair need specialised products. Sometimes little toiletry gift sets can be found that are not too expensive. Please leave your donated toiletries in the box at the back of church or in the Halls Foyer.

*Maria Linford, Mothers' Union*

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## **SERMON SERIES on QUESTIONS JESUS ASKED**

1. What do you want me to do for you?
2. Why are you so afraid?
3. Do you believe that I am able to do this?
4. Why did you doubt?
5. Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord' and do not do what I say?
6. Where is your faith?
7. Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?
8. What will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?
9. You do not want to leave too, do you?
10. Do you understand what I have done for you?
- 11. Do you love me?**

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## Donations

We would greatly appreciate your help to continue our work for God in the community in the Parish of Sanderstead. If you can, please consider making a donation. This is our QR code for the Parish of Sanderstead. To donate using this code, open up the camera on a mobile phone - point the camera at the QR code – follow the instructions. 😊 The offertory plate will go round during one of the hymns. There is also the opportunity to donate by card.



## Safeguarding / 'A Safe Church':

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