

NOTICES for Sunday 15 December

3rd Sunday of Advent - lighting 3rd 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 Parish Eucharist with choir

Preacher: Revd Kevin Garrett



3.00pm ST. ANTONY'S Carol Service

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

Lectionary readings: Zephaniah 3:14-end; Isaiah 12:2-6; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:7-18.

Collect: O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

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 Sunday 22nd December, led by Revd Steve Cooper.

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.

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

Thursday 19 December

12.30pm – Midweek Holy Communion in St. Catherine's Aisle, led by Revd Kevin Garrett.

Friday 20 December, 9.30am - Decorating the church for Christmas

The Flower Ladies will be decorating the church for Christmas on Friday 20th December from 9.30am. If you would like to help, please let me know.

Lynne Davison 020 8407 1565.

Sunday 22 December – 4th Sunday of Advent, lighting 4th Advent candle

8.00am Said Eucharist led by Bishop David Atkinson

9.30am Family Worship & Baptism, with worship band

Preacher: Revd Kevin Garrett

6.30pm Carols by Candlelight

Organ, handbells, carols, 6 lessons, choir, featuring 2 short carols sung by a group of Ukrainians.



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*

Tuesday 24 December – Christmas Eve

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

3.00pm: The Crib Service for children of all ages, and their parents/carers.

11.30pm: Midnight Communion *"The people walking in darkness have seen a great light"*. Preacher: Revd Steve Cooper

Wednesday 25 December – Christmas Day

9.30am: Parish Eucharist - Speaker: Revd Steve Cooper

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.

Men's Group Christmas Curry – Thursday 16 January 2025

This will be held on Thursday 16th January at the Taste of Bengal as usual. Please save the date - full details to follow in the New Year. As ever, all will be welcome.

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

2024 Mission Giving

As in previous years, we have made donations of £1,000 to each of our 8 mission partners... Croydon Refugee Day Centre, Purley Food Hub, Welcare, Sanderstead Neighbourhood Care, The Children's Society, Crisis, Embrace the Middle East and International Needs UK.

PCC Members

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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