NOTICES for Sunday 2nd March

Sunday next before Lent



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, healing prayer & JIGSAW (*Theme: Joseph*)

Preacher: Revd Steve Cooper Theme: The Transfiguration

Lectionary readings: Exodus 34:29-end; Psalm 99; 2 Corinthians 3:12 – 4:2;

Luke 9:28-36

Collect: Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

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 4th Sunday of the month.**

Wednesday 5 March - ASH WEDNESDAY, 7pm 7.00pm Eucharist with imposition of ashes



Preacher: Revd Steve Cooper. Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return, turn from your sins and be faithful to God.

Friday 7 March - WORLD DAY OF PRAYER Service, 10.30am

Prepared by the Christian women of the Cook Islands, 'I made you wonderful' The World Day of Prayer Service will be held at Sanderstead URC, Sanderstead Hill, CR2 0HB followed by refreshments. ALL ARE WELCOME. The service will also be livestreamed and can be seen on YouTube at any time. For details visit www.surc.org.uk and follow link to Streamed services. *Elaine Leck*

Friday 7 March - CRAFT GROUP, 2pm - 4pm in the Small Hall If you have any questions, call Sue Chillman 020 8657 7397.

Sunday 9 March – 1st Sunday of Lent

9.30am Family Worship with communion

Preacher: Revd Kevin Garrett

3.30pm - 5.00pm: Messy Church in the church.

The theme is "Mary mother of Jesus".



Monday 10 March – MU Talk by Revd Jeremy Groombridge, 7.30pm

Revd Jeremy Groombridge will give an illustrated talk about his pilgrimage to Southern India 'In the Steps of St Thomas" on Monday 10th March 7.30pm in St Catherine's Aisle, Coffee and tea available. Hosted by the Mothers' Union.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN SANDERSTEAD - ECUMENICAL LENT

REFLECTION GROUP will be meeting from **12.00-1.00 pm** on the following Saturdays at the Olde Forge Cafe, Holy Family Church, Limpsfield Road. All are welcome.

Saturday 15 March What is Prayer and how to pray? Saturday 22 March What is Fasting and how to fast?

Saturday 29 March What is Almsgiving and how to share?

Saturday 12 April What is Penance and how to seek and give forgiveness.

GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS, Friday 18 April starting at Holy

Family at 12.00pm walking to the Gruffy via Waitrose and along Sanderstead Parade.

Saturday 22 March - Church 'Open Afternoon'

We will be holding a Church 'open afternoon' on Saturday 22nd March. This coincides with the Sanderstead Horticultural Spring Show in the halls. Volunteers / greeters would be welcome to man the church for 30-minute stints. Please speak to Michael Turner if you would be available.

Church Open Day - 22 March - Project Linus UK - come & see!

It is the mission of Project Linus UK to provide love, a sense of security, warmth and comfort to children, who are sick, disabled, disadvantaged or distressed, by donating gifts of new, homemade washable, quilts and blankets, lovingly made by UK volunteer knitters and quilters. All Saint's Crafty People have taken this project to heart and will be exhibiting our makes at Open Church on 22 March. Do come and see the teddies, small dolls, blankets, quilts etc that we make and donate. Patterns will be available should you wish to join our giving. *Susan Roberts*, 07787 313911.

Wed 26 March, from 7.00pm - Operation Noah Talk by Bishop David

All Saints routinely includes worship and teaching on environmental matters and, through the Green Team, is actively pursuing the attainment of the Eco Church Gold Award to take us forward from the Silver Award gained in 2019. Some groups are making use of the Tenants of the King resources prepared by Operation Noah. To support our efforts we are delighted that Rt Rev'd David Atkinson, who was formerly Bishop of Thetford and a Trustee of Operation Noah, will talk on climate change and the environment based on the Ash Wednesday Declaration prepared by Operation Noah and lead a discussion. The talk will take place in church on Wednesday 26th March 2025 starting at 19.30. Refreshments will be available from 19.00. All are very welcome.

Friday 28 March MEN'S GROUP – Visit to Croydon Astronomical Society Kenley Observatory, 7.30pm

We have a tour of CAS Kenley Observatory arranged for Friday 28th March at 7:30 pm at a cost of only £3 per person. Numbers will be limited due to the size of the Observatory, and I will take reservations on a first come first served basis. Please let me know asap if you would like to join this visit and if you can offer lifts or if you would like a lift. Total visit likely to be in the order of 1.5 hours and will comprise a presentation on the sort of observations CAS Kenley have made and if the sky is clear that night a look though their telescope. Please note parking is in on the road in Hayes Lane near RAF Kenley Tribute with a short walk up Waterhouse Lane and a track to the observatory and clubhouse. Also note there are eight narrow steps leading up to the observatory viewing area and two steep steps in the clubhouse.

Please let Tony Robinson know if you would like to join us for this event.

NEW ELECTORAL ROLL 2025

As required by the Church Representation Rules, a new Electoral Roll is required to be prepared afresh for 2025; an official Notice to that effect is now on the noticeboards of the Churches and Church Halls. If you wish to be included on the new Roll, please re-apply by filling in a new Electoral Roll form.

At the same time, it would be helpful if you could complete a new Parish Communication Form (optional) that will allow us to keep our ChurchSuite records up to date and also to know of your communication preferences.

Forms must be returned to the Parish Office **no later than 30 March 2025** and are available in Church, or from the Parish Office, or from the Electoral Roll Officer. Your timely co-operation in submitting the forms would be greatly appreciated. The new Electoral Roll will be published and take effect on 10 April 2025.

More information and reminders will be issued in due course on the Parish website, in the weekly Church Notices, on the Church noticeboards and by announcements at Church Services. Please contact the Electoral Roll Officer if you have any queries. *Electoral Roll Officer David Chillman* 0787 097 8844 david.chillman@btinternet.com)

Saturday 12 April - This year's UNLOCK walk, 9am to 5pm

This year's UNLOCK walk includes passing by Battersea Power Station, Brixton, Windrush Square and the Oval cricket ground. Whilst experiencing the differences between the poor and the more affluent areas, the power of God's love also becomes apparent in the various churches visited on route. All are welcome to join the walkers for the whole, or part of the route. Further details can be found on "UNLOCK-URBAN.ORG.UK" and on the noticeboard in the Halls Lobby (outside the Rector's Office). *Ann and Michael Turner*

Friday 18 July – MEN'S GROUP – Open Air Opera, La Boheme

Men's Group are planning a visit to see La Boheme at Borde Hill Gardens Outdoor Opera, all are welcome. 'Doors Open' 6:30pm & the performance begins 7:30pm. We plan to get there early in the hope of securing a 'good spot'. Bring your own chair and picnic. The event will go ahead regardless of the weather and Borde Hill will not give any refunds. Umbrellas will be permitted in the event of rain; come dressed for the weather. Ticket prices are as follows: Single Adult: £40.00 Adult Couple: £70.00 Tickets are on sale now but note they are non-refundable. If you are interested, please purchase your own tickets but do let us know so that we can communicate again nearer the time and maybe organise car sharing. If, like me, you are outraged at single adults being charged more than 'one of a couple', I am happy to put single adults in touch with each other so that you can arrange to 'buddy up' for the event on an adult couple ticket. Please let Tony Robinson, Dick Hibberd or David Chillman know if you intend to join us.

Easter Garden by front porch – Volunteers needed

If you have any potted plants that can be used to create a beautiful Easter Garden towards the end of Holy Week, please start to get them ready. Also, if you could coordinate this, please let Sue Thomas know.

Donating to Project 800

In this world where online purchasing has become commonplace there is a way to capture donations for your nominated charity. By signing up with www.easyfundraising.org.uk you can nominate "Sanderstead All Saints Church" to receive a donation with every purchase from supporting companies. Donations received here will



go to our Project 800 Appeal. The amount varies but some can be quite large, notably with holidays, flights and hotels.

These small donations cost you, the purchaser, nothing, not even any effort to collect! We encourage you to sign up on this website www.easyfundraising.org.uk or via the above QR code. As a community we could raise significant sums, together. Vaughan Pomeroy

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

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