NOTICES for Sunday 6th April

5th Sunday of Lent – Passiontide begins



You can watch the 9.30am 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 (Sunday School)

Preacher: Revd Steve Cooper

3.00pm Evensong with choir & organ (3.00pm not 6.00pm)

Led by: Revd Jeremy Groombridge

Lectionary readings for 6th April: Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:4b-14;

Psalm 126; John 12:1-8

Collect for 5th Sunday of Lent: Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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

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 9 April – 'It is well with my soul' – The Musical, 7.00pm The tragic true story behind one of the most beloved hymns of all time. Uk Tour – Spring 2025 is coming to Christchurch Purley for one evening only. To book tickets go to... www.itiswellmusical.com/tickets

The funeral of Mike Fixter

Following the sad passing of our churchwarden, Mike Fixter, please save the date for his funeral Wednesday 16th April, 12pm, to be followed by a wake in the Church Hall. All are invited to come along. Please remember the family in your prayers.

Saturday 12 April

12.00pm - LENT Reflection - Final session

What is Almsgiving and how to share?

The Ecumenical Lent Reflection Group, organised by Churches Together in Sanderstead will be meeting from **12.00-1.00 pm** at the Olde Forge Cafe, Holy Family Church, Limpsfield Road. All are welcome. *Elaine Leck*

7.30pm - SNC Quiz Night

Sanderstead Neighbourhood Care Quiz Night at All Saints – there are still a couple of tables left. Bring your own drink & glasses. Tables of 6. £12 per ticket in advance. Book tickets by calling 020 8657 8289 or email sandersteadneighbourhoodcare@gmail.com



HOLY WEEK

Sunday 13 April — Palm Sunday - This service will start from the Church Halls / carpark and process into the church.

9.30am: Family Worship with Communion

Speaker: Bishop David Atkinson

Monday 14 April

[Compline CANCELLED]

7.30pm The Choice - a reflective time of worship for the beginning of 'Holy Week'

that sets the context for the week ahead. Led by Peter Graystone and hosted

by the Mothers' Union, but something for us all.

Tuesday 15 April

7.00pm Short Compline led by Revd Steve Cooper

Wednesday 16 April

7.00pm Short Compline led by Bishop David Atkinson

Thursday 17 April

7.00pm Maundy Thursday Eucharist, led by Revd Kevin Garrett

Friday 18 April – Good Friday

9.30am Good Friday Family Worship – crafts & refreshments for

children and their parents / carers. Making garden tombs.



11.45am Good Friday Walk of Witness (CTIS),

The Good Friday Walk of Witness, organised by Churches Together in Sanderstead, will be starting at Holy Family Church at 11.45 am, walking to the Gruffy via Waitrose and along Sanderstead Parade. As an alternative to walking the whole way, you are welcome to join the gathering on the Gruffy

after 12.00. Marc & Fanny Smith

2.00pm Service of Prayer & Reflection (2.00pm not 3.00pm)

Led by Bishop David Atkinson

Sunday 20th April – Easter Sunday

7.00am Sunrise Service by the church porch

8.30am Easter Breakfast from 8.30am. All are welcome. If you would like to come,

for catering purposes it would be helpful (but not essential) if you could let Sue Thomas, Churchwarden, know beforehand. Volunteers are needed to prepare the breakfast. Any willing helpers, please let Sue know as soon

as possible.

9.30am Parish Eucharist with choir Preacher: Revd Jeremy Groombridge

NEW ELECTORAL ROLL & PARISH DIRECTORY SPRING 2025

The New Electoral Roll for Spring 2025 will be published on 10 April 2025 and can be viewed on the noticeboards of the Churches and Church Halls until 24 April. If you are unable to view the Roll on the noticeboards and/or if you detect any omissions or other errors on the Roll, please would you contact the Electoral Roll Officer (David Chillman T: 020 8657 7397 M: 0787 097 8844 E: david.chillman@btinternet.com) as soon as possible.

If you require a paper copy of the Parish Directory, please contact the Parish Office. (Electronic copies of the Directory are not available due to data protection regulations).

Donations towards Easter Flowers

Any donations towards EASTER flowers would be very much appreciated. Please pass on to Ann Turner at church or through the parish office. Thank you.

Urgent Request please for the Easter Garden

Any outdoor potted plants that could be lent for the Easter Garden display outside church, would be much appreciated. If they could be left near the bench on the grass, before Thursday 10th April, that would be very helpful. *Thank you. Ann Turner.* 020 8657 5224

Applications for PCC, Deanery Synod & Churchwardens

We have some vacancies on the Parochial Church Council (PCC) and Deanery Synod to fill at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) on Sunday 27th April as well as needing to (re)/appoint two Churchwardens. Application forms are available at the back of Church or from the Parish Office or electronically from Dick Hibberd (dccsec@sanderstead-parish.co.uk). Anyone on the (new) Electoral Roll is eligible to apply and if you would like an informal discussion about what is involved, speak to Sue Thomas, Judith Robinson or Dick Hibberd. Forms should be returned to Dick or to the Parish Office or brought to the meeting, although it would be helpful to have them beforehand.

PILGRIMAGE 2025, 35th Anniversary - Walking to change lives

The Connections at St Martin's-in-the-Fields works with people as they recover from life on the streets, to help them move on to meaningful, fulfilling futures and a place called home. I am returning after many years to take up the challenge to walk from St. Martin's in London to Canterbury Cathedral and I aim to raise money for the charity. The walk is 73 miles and will take place over the late May Bank Holiday weekend—Friday 23rd to Monday 26th May 2025.

If people feel able to make a donation, go to my Just Giving page.

Google "Justgiving.com"; Search for "Rena Gray" and my page will come up. I would be so grateful for your support. Rena Gray

Rector's Office

Week commencing 7th April, Rosanne will be in the office on Tuesday and Thursday, but not on Monday.

A Prayer for the Parish during the Interregnum / Vacancy

Please do pray! Pick up a prayer postcard from the back of church.

The Bishop of Southwark's Lent Call 2025



Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.' Matthew 19:14

The journey through Lent is one of prayer and contemplation. It is also a time for us to pray for our own lives and for our loved ones and communities – particularly for people most in need. As we pray for the peace of the world and peace in their lives, let us take some time to think of and pray for those who are affected by such childhood trauma.

Week 5: Welcare

Welcare is a family support charity working with children up to the age of 13 in South London and East Surrey. The focus of its work is to provide practical and emotional support and advice through one-to-one and group work programmes. It works alongside parents and carers helping them use their strengths and skills to nurture secure and confident children.

Welcare recognised that the Covid-19 pandemic had a profound effect on children and families. Children's social skills, health, wellbeing and resilience suffered as a result of not being able to go to school. Welcare therefore decided to offer schools a programme to address the root causes of children's trauma and anxiety. This is called the CapeAbility Schools Programme. The CapeAbility Schools programme works with children who are in school years 3–5 (aged between 7 and 10). It recognises the profound effect that the Covid-19 lockdown has had and uses Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) techniques, arts and crafts, group work and role play to help children improve their emotional health and wellbeing. The aim of the programme is to support children to gain or enhance their self-awareness, self-expression, social awareness and empathy and help them control their impulses.

Read about how Isabel and her sister, Grace, were helped. Please consider how you can support Welcare in prayer and with a gift through the Lent Call, so it can be there for more children like Grace and Isabel. Find out more at www.southwark.anglican.org/lentcall

- **Donations in church:** Use the small dedicated pink envelopes marked 'Bishops Lent Call" found on the back of pews.
- Info on the Lobby boards: There is more information on the Lent Call in the Church and Church Hall lobbies, updated weekly.

FOODBANK

At Purley Food Hub we provide emergency food, toiletries and household essentials to local people going through tough times. Please consider donating any of this month's priority items: [Boxes at the back of church and in the Hall lobby.]



- Tin Openers we have given out our last one
- Tinned Meat Meals (other than hot dogs & meatballs)
- Tinned Carrots
- •Cartons of Long Life Full Fat Milk
- Tinned Sweetcorn
- Jars of Peanut Butter and Meat & Fish Paste
- •Tins of Dessert Fruit
- Tins of Rice Pudding
- Small Bottles of Shampoo
- Bars of Soap
- Sanitary Pads
- Laundry Washing Capsules

All Saints' & St Antony's in the Parish of Sanderstead Growing in Christ, working together with the community and sharing God's love

Bring your own cup for refreshments after church! This will help us be more eco-friendly. (3)

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.

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

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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- -Sue Thomas, Churchwarden, churchwarden2@sanderstead-parish.org.uk
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