

Sanderstead Team Newsletter

December 2018

Welcome to the Sanderstead Team Newsletter! This is your newsletter, so do send us your news and anything you would like us all to know. The newsletter will continue to be published for the first Sunday of every month, and items need to be with Rosanne the Monday of that week. admin@sanderstead-parish.org.uk

Martin writes ...

The Gift

Many today miss the point of Christmas, as we become overwhelmed by all the frantic activity: not only the shopping, but also the card-sending, food-preparing, present-wrapping, carol-singing, sherry-drinking, mince-pie-eating and last-minute-panicking!



Sad to say, even Christians can find that it all goes by in a blur. So would you stop for just a minute, please, and think with me about what it means?

First, Christmas is the festival of God's gift. He gave his Son for us all. So we rejoice and sing with gladness for the baby Jesus born in a manger in Bethlehem. *'To us a child is born, to us a Son is given'* (Isaiah 9:6).

Mild He lays His glory by, Born that man no more may die; Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them second birth. Let's sing and be amazed that God did this for us.

Secondly, Christmas proves God's love for us. Just as we give gifts to others to let them know we love them, so God has done so much more. We know God loves us because he gave his Son for us. *God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son* (John 3:16). Go on, stand in front of the bathroom mirror and say three times (or as many as necessary to believe it), *"God gave Jesus because he likes me and loves me"*. Amazing, but true!

Thirdly, God wants to give us a whole lot more. Christmas is only the beginning of God's giving. There are also Good Friday (his sacrifice), Easter (victory over death) and Pentecost (gift of his Spirit to live in us). He gives us: forgiveness,

assurance, guidance, answered prayer, Christian friends, life without limits, love, peace, patience, hope, joy and more than could be listed here! See the words of St Paul at Romans 8:32: *'God did not spare his own Son Jesus. He gave him up for us all. So it's absolutely guaranteed that – because he gave his Son – he will carry on giving us absolutely everything'*. We enjoy giving gifts. God loves giving, even more, and nobody can out-give God.

*And is it true,
This most tremendous tale of all,
Seen in a stained-glass window's hue,
A Baby in an ox's stall ?
The Maker of the stars and sea
Become a Child on earth for me?*

*And is it true ? For if it is,
No loving fingers tying strings
Around those tissued fripperies,
The sweet and silly Christmas things,
Bath salts and inexpensive scent
And hideous tie so kindly meant,*

*No love that in a family dwells,
No carolling in frosty air,
Nor all the steeple-shaking bells
Can with this single Truth compare -
That God was man in Palestine
And lives today in Bread and Wine.*

[From 'Christmas' by John Betjeman (1906 – 1984)]

Have we got the point?

A Happy Christmas to you all.

Martin

Rev. Martin

Dear Friends,

Trial of New Worship Patterns in 2019

In my letter of 18 October I updated you on the progress made in the two consultative groups set up to consider the shape of our Sunday morning worship services. I have promised to keep you up-to-date with developments, and am taking this opportunity to explain how we now propose to move forward. I am grateful to so many of you who have commented on these issues, both orally and in writing. The constructive nature of your contributions has been most heartening and encouraging.

It is important, as I explained in my last letter, to remember that we are seeking to ensure a healthy balance between the traditional worship and teaching that we already enjoy, with the need to introduce and develop more family-friendly styles of worship that are more in tune with the needs of the next generation. We are moving forward with this after much prayer and careful consideration of the needs across our congregations - both present and future.

Last Monday, the two consultative groups met together as a single body to consider a recommendation to the Church Council meeting later that day. They agreed to recommend a trial of new worship patterns to run from 28 April next year up to the end of June. I am pleased to inform you that this recommendation was approved by the Church Council.

The trial will give effect, broadly speaking, to the emerging thinking I described in paragraph 4 of my last letter. The attached annex shows how the services during this trial period will work. During the first full month of operation:

the first Sunday will begin at 9am with a traditional liturgical Holy Communion supported by the choir, followed by the new family-friendly service at 10.30am;

the second Sunday will begin with a said liturgical Holy Communion at 8am, followed by a non-eucharistic liturgical service with hymns at 9am, and the new family-friendly service at 10.30am with Holy Communion;

the third Sunday will follow the pattern of the first Sunday - ie 9am liturgical Holy Communion with choir, followed by the new family-friendly service at 10.30am;

the fourth Sunday will begin with a traditional liturgical said (ie no hymns) Holy Communion at 9am followed by the new family-friendly service at 10.30am;

The same pattern will be adopted for June, but because this is a "5-week month" there will be a said Holy Communion at 9am on the 30th, followed by the new family-friendly service at 10.30am. It is proposed that there should be coffee served between the 9am and 10.30am services.

P.T.O.

You will see that we have added, taking note of the views of some members of the current 8.30 service, a said Communion service at 8am on the second Sunday. During the course of each month the 9am services will offer two choral Communion services, one said Communion service and one service of Morning Worship with hymns. Once a month Holy Communion will be celebrated in the new family-friendly service at 10.30am. In addition, of course, we recently re-introduced a midweek service of Holy Communion at 12.30 on the first Thursday of each month, to which all are welcome. This is a said service, using the traditional liturgy with which we are familiar.

I would stress that these changes are being made on a trial basis. In discussion with both consultative groups, it has become apparent that there are no clear-cut answers to questions about the timing of worship services. Just as there are many differing patterns of life on a Sunday morning for families with children, so our older folk have differing routines and preferences for the timing of Sunday morning activities. In making these changes we are seeking to cater for a wide variety of different needs and circumstances - but we are proposing to use this trial period to understand when the most appropriate times might be. If the trial shows us that other timings might be more appropriate, we are open to trialling different patterns before making permanent changes. One thing is very clear - we will need to keep all our services under constant review in the future, in order to ensure that they meet the changing requirements of people in all parts of our community.

We will take steps to ensure that as many aspects as possible of the new arrangements are evaluated - including the impacts on the choir, other musicians, wardens and service wardens, technical teams, those who serve coffee/tea, our monthly Sunday Lunch, clergy, and the impacts both on older members (including, importantly, such issues as mobility and transport), families who come to existing services, and potential newcomers.

I realise that changing Sunday morning routines can be quite upsetting and unsettling. But, as I said in my last letter, we are doing this to enable more people to enjoy God's welcome so that no-one need feel excluded from Sunday worship. We have done what we can to accommodate the desires of many who welcome a liturgical or quiet style of worship on Sunday morning, whilst also recognising that many people have a desire to see the introduction of more contemporary worship. I hope you will agree that we have tried to take account of many different needs, expectations and preferences and that you will feel able to support the Church Council as we begin to implement these new arrangements.

Yours, in Christ,

Martin

Rev. Martin Greenfield

Trial of New Worship Patterns

28 April (4 th in month)	9am	Liturgical HC (said, no hymns)
	1030	<i>"Family-friendly" with Jigsaw</i> [Followed by APCM]
Thurs 2 May	12.30	Midweek HC (monthly)
5 May (1 st in month)	9am	Liturgical HC (with choir)
	1030	<i>"Family-friendly" with Jigsaw</i>
12 (2 nd in month)	8am	Short Liturgical HC (said, no hymns)
	9am	Liturgical (with hymns) – not HC
	1030	<i>"Family-friendly" with Jigsaw, with HC</i>
	3pm	Family Fun
19 (3rd in month)	9am	Liturgical HC (with choir)
	1030	<i>"Family-friendly" with Jigsaw</i>
	6pm	Fresh Encounters
26	9am	Liturgical HC (said, no hymns)
	1030	<i>"Family-friendly" with Jigsaw</i>
Thurs 30	8pm	HC for Ascension Day
2 June	9am	Liturgical HC (with choir)
	1030	<i>"Family-friendly" with Jigsaw</i>
Thurs 6	12.30	Midweek HC (monthly)
9 Pentecost	8am	Short Liturgical HC (said, no hymns)
	9am	Liturgical (with hymns) – not HC
	1030	<i>"Family-friendly" with Jigsaw, with HC</i>
16	9am	Liturgical HC (with choir)
	1030	<i>"Family-friendly" with Jigsaw</i>
	6pm	Fresh Encounters
23 (4 th in 5-Sunday mth)	9am	Liturgical HC (with choir)
	1030	<i>"Family-friendly" with Jigsaw</i>
	3pm	Family Fun
30	9am	Liturgical HC (said, no hymns)
	1030	<i>"Family-friendly" with Jigsaw</i>

St. Edmund's

Remembrance Day 2018 - from behind the scenes at St Edmund's

Preparations for this momentous day began some time before when our Church Warden Gill constructed a suitable memorial to be the focal point for the first ever outdoor Remembrance Day service at St Edmund's Church in Riddlesdown. We had worked closely with the Riddlesdown Resident's Association whose Chairman and other officers who attended and with The Royal British Legion Local Fundraising Team. The event was the culmination of their Poppies on Lamppost's initiative organised by The RRA and we were able to donate £91 to the RBL as a result of monies collected in various ways.

Saturday was a day of discussion and rehearsal concerning the safe placing of the loud speaker to be used for The Last Post and The Reveille –

“If dry it goes here and if wet....” Umbrella needed in case! There were certainly a few odd looks from passers-by as the volume of the machine was tested.

Inside the church the various copies of service sheets had been prepared and left ready for the three morning events – yes, there were two services prior to the special Remembrance for all.

Then it fell to the luckless person on the normal coffee rota to gauge how many people might take up the publicised invitation to stay for light refreshments after the outdoor service, and duly set out enough cups, saucers, mugs and biscuits –lots, as we knew there would be some youngsters taking part. Having done as much as seemed necessary by mid afternoon those involved departed feeling that we had thought of most eventualities.

Shortly afterwards a call came through to confirm that a troop of Beavers, Cubs and Scouts would arrive shortly before the ceremony. How many youngsters will there be? – between 20 and 50! Great news but a hasty recount of them and probable attendant parents/guardians and an unimaginable number of local residents sent our intrepid warden flying off to do her regular shopping trip with an additional and much longer list of extra soft drinks and yet more biscuits! Vicar Susan also made a dash to the parish office photocopier for further supplies of service sheets.



Come Sunday, Remembrance Day – people gathered and were joined by the troop from the Scout Hall who had processed along Mitchley Avenue escorted by PC David from our Safer Neighbourhood Police Team. (Credit is given to him for helping to clear falling leaves from the pavement and, dodging the traffic, prodded the blocked drain, trying to clear the enormous puddle that gave several people a good soaking!)

During the Remembrance service a mix of sun and wet squalls did not deter anyone from forming a large group round the Memorial cross – luckily no thunder but passing traffic added to the challenge for Vicar Susan and her reader Cllr Helen Redfern to be heard against the rain and wind but all went smoothly. Credit is also given to the young troop who performed their duties so well, especially mentioning the smallest and possibly youngest standard bearer valiantly succeeding as she held her rain sodden flag in the dipped position.

After a spirited rendering of the National Anthem drew the service to a close the young troopers and many others came inside for refreshments. Opening the kitchen hatch door it was daunting to find a long and very orderly queue forming and hearing much cheerful chatter. Amazingly and thankfully without any prompting our wonderful congregation members leapt into action making sure cups and glasses were filled and distributed safely in all directions, later washed, dried and generally cleared up - only about 6 biscuits left at the end. What a team we have – thanks be to all!! It was later estimated that there were only a few short of 100 people who came into church and maybe 20-30 others who had taken part but chose to go their own ways immediately after.

Liz Lomax



In addition to the 120+ people in attendance on the day we live-streamed the service and had a further 65 watching live and at least 234 extra viewers since! This is something we are looking into doing regularly at St Edmund's.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY AT ALL SAINTS

Remembrance Sunday was very special this year, as we commemorated the Centenary of the ending of the First World War. The Rainbows and Brownies had prepared a beautiful Garland of Remembrance from the names of all those shown on our War Memorial, and of course we were again joined by the soldiers who were “there but not there”. The church was filled with folk - young and old - as we saw images of relatives of members of our own congregation displayed on the screens. The Handbell Ringers performed a special version of “In Flanders Fields”, Myles McCarthy from the British Legion and Dennis King from the Sanderstead Residents Association read poems, the Guides, Brownies and Rainbows read passages of Scripture and Colin Snart recited the Exhortation and Kohima Epitaph.

Rev. Jeremy

**”At the going down of the sun, and in the morning,
we will remember them”**



Deanery Confirmation Service



Bishop David led the Deanery Confirmation Service at All Saints' Church on Sunday 4th November. Our own Lynda O'Neill was one of the candidates.

All Saints

TOOLS TO WISLEY

Garden Tools Collection

On behalf of the All Saints Green Team thank you for your support for the recent annual unwanted garden tools collection.

A record 180 tools of all shapes, ages and sizes were donated this year mainly by members of All Saints and the Sanderstead Horticultural Society. This was almost 50% up on last year's haul which had itself been a record.



The tools were taken in two very well loaded car boots to RHS Wisley at the end of October where they were gratefully received by RHS staff. The tools have now gone off to prison workshops at HMP Wandsworth where they are being renovated for eventual use in community projects and schools.

Richard Bird



At last! At last! Good News from Matongo Dispensary in Tanzania!



Members of All Saints have joined other kind donors in realising a dream for the people of Matongo- the ‘forgotten valley’ in Tanzania’s Mara Region. More than 10,000 people live in the valley, but have no health care- you may remember that the Mums here had to trudge over 9 miles in each direction to get to an ante-natal clinic. Samuel, the disabled boy never had the polio immunisation, which would have saved him from disability.

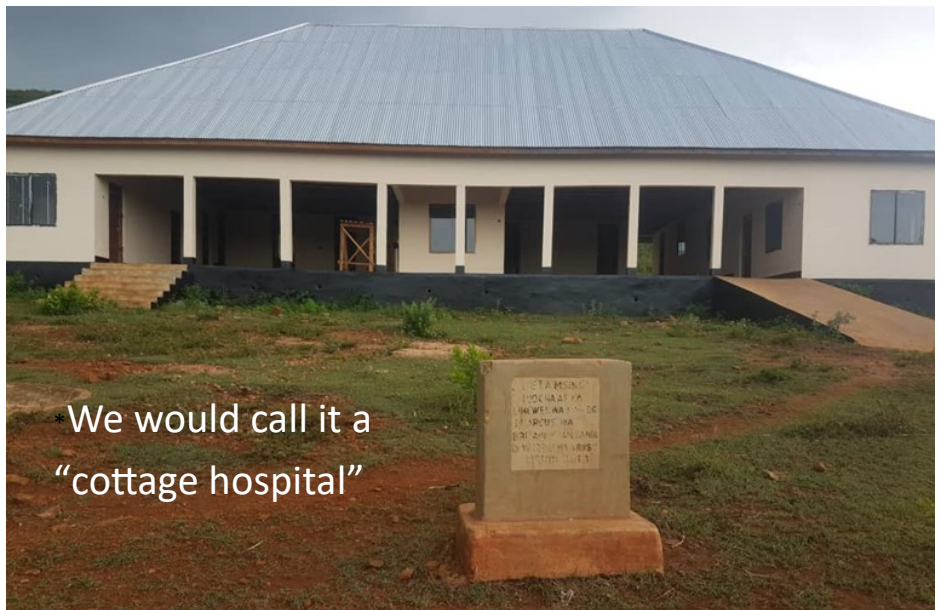
The Dispensary* is opening in January 2019. It’s taken a long time- far too long- but at last all problems have been overcome. The local Butiama District Council will take over the building and provide the staff. It will make a huge difference to the lives of the people with:

- Ante-natal clinics
- Births supervised by trained midwives
- Mother and Baby clinics
- Routine immunisations
- HIV testing and counselling
- Malaria testing and treatment
- Hygienic circumcision for boys (reduces HIV risk and STIs)
- Anti-FGM education
- Care for the elderly

And much more- it will be life changing for this community.

Thank you to All Saints Church for your commitment to this project.

Julian Marcus
Tanzania Development Trust
www.TanzDevTrust.org
UK Reg Charity 270462



*We would call it a
“cottage hospital”



43 years of service to Tanzania



“At this age, I could no longer afford to go to the spring 4 kilometres away to draw water. Now I can buy 2 buckets of water daily from the new water tank. Thanks to the donors and Mzee Gilibati”.

Says Mr. Edwin of Kyeisheiija Hamlet Ihembe I Village.



“Before the construction of the water tank I could hardly afford to get enough water to drink, cook and clean my body. I took a bath only once a week. Now I can take a bath every after two days, and my granddaughter washes my clothes regularly. Please pass our thanks to that white man (Mr. Kelvin)”

Says Mrs. Regina of Njojo Hamlet – Ihembe II Village



“ Our village was forgotten for the last 85 years of my life. I used to draw water from Kabagendela River 5 kilometres away until I reached the age of 65 when my daughter sent her daughter to assist me draw water. Now I thank you for the new tank as I have enough water for my daily use”

Says Mrs. Banga of Ahakagongo hamlet – Kibogoizi Village.



“ I think this tank will add my days of living. I am able to get enough water to cook food and drink every day from the tank. Before this tank, I used to go begging for water from my neighbors – sometimes I got a regret”.

Says Mrs. Resi of Kikanzi Hamlet Ihembe II Village.



**Many thanks to
All Saints Church for
supporting this
project.**



There's room
for everyone in
the

ADVENTure ARK

A great opportunity
to
meet your friends
and neighbours

DECEMBER 1st—24th

ADVENTure 2018

Garage displays throughout Sanderstead

Back by popular demand, each night of **ADVENT** leading us towards Christmas, a different garage in Sanderstead will be open.

The theme for 2018 is the **ADVENTure Ark**. A different animal will feature in the displays each night. Refreshments will be provided and each night the display will be different – how many can you get to ?

The displays will generally be open between 6 - 7pm.

See the **ADVENTure LOCATIONS** for full details of the times.

When it's too dark
to play outside
after school...

come and see
what's going on in
your area

It's completely

FREE!

ADVENTure locations

DEC.	Theme	Location
1st	Reindeer	10 Onslow Gardens. CR2 9AB 6.15-7.15pm
2nd	Ox/Cow	7 Buttermere Gardens. CR8 1EJ
3rd	Horse.	Flat 2A Onslow Gardens – Rear of Church Halls
4th	Butterfly	22 Buttermere Gardens CR8 1EE
5th	Dog	Methodist Church, Limpsfield Road CR2 9EF
6th	Polar Bear	1 Southcote Road. CR2 0EQ - 3.30-430pm + 6-7pm
7th	Giant Panda	All Saints Church Hall Foyer
8th	Penguin	15 Glebe Hyrst CR2 9JG
9th	Badger	Vestibule, Methodist Church , CR2 9EF
10th	Donkey	St Mary's vicarage, 85 Purley Oaks Road, CR2 ONY
11th	Bloodhound	80 Limpsfield Road. CR2 9EB
12th	Choir + Pig	Waitrose – Sanderstead, Coffee Shop
13th	Snakes & Rep- tiles	Priscilla's Tea Rooms, 52 Limpsfield Road, CR2 9EA
14th	Camel	Opposite 14 Heathhurst Road CR2 0BE
15th	Sheep	53 Glebe Hyrst. CR2 9JJ
16th		CAROL SERVICE ALL SAINTS CHURCH, CR2 9AB
17th	Fish	10 Onslow Gardens. CR2 9AB 3.30-430pm
18th	Giraffe	84 Norfolk Avenue. CR2 8BS
19th	Eagle	5 Onslow Gardens, CR2 9AD
20th	Lion	Scout HQ, Farm Fields. CR2 0HQ
21st	Owl	20 Essenden Road. CR2 0BU
22nd	Emu	1 Heathhurst Road, CR2 0BB
23rd	Mouse	8 Beechwood Road CR2 0AA
24th		CRIB SERVICE FINALE – ALL SAINTS CHURCH

All Displays are open 6pm – 7pm unless stated otherwise.



FOOD LIST – DECEMBER 2018

At Purley Food Hub we provide food and other items for people in crisis. Please consider donating one or more of this month's priority items:

- Cartons of long life whole milk
- Long life fruit juice or bottles of squash
- Small tins of potatoes or packets of dried potato
- Jars of fish paste
- 1-2 year toddlers' microwavable meals



Packets of Christmas biscuits



Chocolate treats for children

- Adult toothpaste
- Toilet rolls
- Tin openers

*Thank you so much for your support – you have helped us to provide more than **130,000 meals** since January 2013.*

PURLEY FOOD HUB | Tel: 07546 635295 | Email: purleyfoodhub@gmail.com

Website: www.purleyfoodhub.net

Charity no: 1152807 | Company no: 08557885

Where can I take my food donation in Purley?



- **Café Blue** 945 Brighton Road, CR8 2BP
9am to 5.30pm Monday to Saturday
- **Nationwide Building Society** 918 Brighton Road, CR8 2LN
9.30am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday, 9.30am to 12noon Saturday
- **Get Fired!** 914 Brighton Road, CR8 2LN
10am to 6pm Monday to Saturday, 1pm to 9pm Thursday
- **Purley United Reformed Church** 906 Brighton Road, CR8 2LN
Entrance opposite Council car park, 9am to 2pm Monday to Saturday
- **Christ Church** between 861 & 863 Brighton Road, CR8 2BN
Opposite the Rotary Field, in the church's Foyer Café
9am to 12noon Monday to Friday (term time only)

Thank you!

Floating Shelter – Cinema Vouchers

For some years now, we have given guests who are with us in the final shelter before Christmas a Christmas present of a voucher for VUE cinemas. For most of them, this is their only chance of a cinema trip and gives them at least one afternoon when they can sit in warm, comfortable surroundings. The vouchers (which will buy tickets for two films) have always been extremely appreciated and we would like to do the same this year. Anyone wishing to contribute, please give it to Fanny Smith, All Saints.

Many thanks in advance on their behalf

Paul Hollingum and Bill Jackson (Coordinators)

TODDLER GROUPS

We meet in the All Saints Church Hall
on Tuesday and Friday mornings 9.30am



Last one this year... Friday 14th December 2018

First one next year... Tuesday 15th January 2019

Bring your toddlers—all welcome!

INTERNATIONAL NEEDS

INTERNATIONAL NEEDS UK PRESENTS

A Big Band Christmas

FEATURING THE TALENTED TRINITY
SCHOOL BIG BAND

Enjoy

Big Band Classics

*And get in the festive mood with some
Christmas favourites!*

Join us on the 15th of December for a wonderful evening of big band classics and Christmas celebration featuring the brilliant Trinity Big Band.

The evening will be held in the Trinity School Concert Hall and will begin at 7:00pm. Festive refreshments will be available during the interval.

IN AID OF RUSH KENYA

This year's event will be in aid of RUSH Academy in Kakamega, Kenya. All funds raised on the evening will go to our Christmas Appeal for RUSH.

We look forward to seeing you there!

**15th December
7:00pm**

**Trinity School Concert Hall
Trinity School, Shirley Park
Croydon, CR9 7AT**

Adult £10 | Children £6 (Age 11 or below)

Tickets available online at
www.ineeds.org.uk/fundraising-events

Or by phone on **01883 331332**



International Needs

Helping families create a sustainable future



Sanderstead Parish

Christmas Day Lunch



Would you like an invitation to
Our Christmas Day Lunch ?

Do you know someone who would like
an Invitation ?

There are a few spaces remaining.

Please leave the name and address in
Sanderstead Parish Office
All Saints' Halls, Onslow Gardens
Sanderstead CR2 9AB
020 8657 0665

ASAP



OBERAMMERGAU AND AUSTRIA



Churches in Croydon Ecumenical Pilgrimages to Passion Play 2020

SAVE THE DATE: 29 May – 5 June

Led by The Rt Revd Jonathan Clark, Bishop of Croydon
and The Revd Nicola Furley-Smith

14-21 August

Led by The Revd Andrew Letby and Deacon Belinda Letby

A visit to Oberammergau is combined with time among the sparkling lakes and majestic mountains of Austria and a visit to Salzburg. These pilgrimages will give the opportunity of fellowship together with the common purpose of attending the Passion Play.

For full details please call or email Toni
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Toni.suffolk@btinternet.com



*Around and About Sanderstead,
and beyond ...*



PURLEY CLASSICS DECEMBER RECITAL

IRENA RADIĆ – Piano

Programme includes Schumann's Humoreske Op. 20

British pianist, Irena, has a First Class Bachelor of Music degree from the Royal College of Music and is studying for her Master of Performance degree there. She has won several competitions in the UK and abroad. As well as being a chamber musician Irena plays orchestral piano and celeste, performing under renowned conductors in Cadogan Hall, St John's Smith Square and the Royal Festival Hall.

Wednesday 12th December 2018, 1.15pm to 2.00pm

The Lounge, Purley United Reformed Church, Brighton Road Purley

Open to all with a retiring collection to cover costs. Light refreshments served before the start. **For more details purleyclassics.wix.com/purleyclassics**

Chris Harman, Purley Classics

SANDERSTEAD TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD

Wed 12th December, 2pm-4.30pm

Christmas Social

We meet at 2.00 p.m. - 4.30 p.m. in the All Saints' Small Hall on the second Wednesday of each month.

Refreshments available. Visitors welcome. £2.00

Any enquiries please contact our Secretary,

Mrs Doreen Nicholls, on 0208 657 2072.

CAMEO

Come And Meet Each Other

Jubilee Room @ St. Mary's

Christmas celebration

Thursday 20 December, 2.30pm – 4.00pm

All are welcome



We meet once a month on the **third Thursday, 2.30pm—4pm.**

We provide a place where people who are lonely can come and enjoy friendship and fun. We offer tea and cakes and a huge welcome. Whether you want to sit and chat or get involved in a game such as Scrabble, Bingo, skittles or cards, Cameo is a place to come and meet new friends.

Upcoming CAMEO dates: 17th January, 21st Feb, 21st March 2019

REFRESHING CHURCH

CROYDON EPISCOPAL AREA LAY CONFERENCE

Date for the diary:

14 SEPTEMBER 2019, 9.30AM – 4.00PM

ST BEDE'S SCHOOL, CARLTON ROAD, REDHILL

This Lay Conference, the second in the Croydon Episcopal Area, is being held for all PCC Members, Readers, SPAs and others involved in the spiritual life of their church (intercessors and lesson readers also). Although the full programme is yet to be decided, Paula Gooder will be our Keynote Speaker during the morning session and Bishop Christopher will also be speaking. The aim of the conference is to continue to encourage and enable lay leaders in refreshing the local church and, of course, in refreshing their own spiritual life.

There is a host of workshops being organised throughout the day and lunch will be provided in the middle of the day.

CHRISTMAS FAMILY FUN EVENT

Wed 5th December
3.15-5pm
In All Saints Church

After Christmas, we will meet again in the Church Halls on:

Sun 20th January, 3-4pm



Mothers Union



Once again would like thank you all for your generosity in supplying nappies, toiletries etc., for the Lily Trust. These and two Moses baskets have been passed on to trafficked young women and their babies.

We would like to invite you all to our **Christmas Social on December 10th at 7.30pm** in St Catherine's Aisle. There will be singing, poetry reading, circle dancing, and lots more, nibbles etc. There will be a secret santa sack. Please bring with you a small wrapped gift not exceeding £5 marked either 'F' or 'M'.

We look forward to seeing you.

Rosemary Kempsell

rosemarykempsell@gmail.com

Tel: 020 8657 0482 / (m) 07780534453



Christmas at Coffee Pot



Friday 14th December 2018

10am-12pm, All Saints' Small Hall

Coffee, Tea, Homemade Cakes and Mince Pies

Christmas Entertainment

All Welcome!



YOUNG AT HEART Social Club



Sanderstead Neighbourhood Care, All Saints' Church Hall
Registered Charity Number: 1039939

10am—12.30pm, **£3 or £5 with lunch**

For information or transport call: **020 8657 8289**

Fri 7 December

Gresham School present the choir for Christmas song
Followed by a soup lunch

Fri 21 December

Festive hand bells with Sandra & her ringers
Followed by a buffet lunch

Please join us for:

5 December

Family Fun at 3:30pm

9 December

Christingle at 10am

24 December

Crib Service

at 3pm and 5pm

For more details contact:

children@sanderstead-parish.org.uk

HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

From your local churches in Sanderstead

Do join us at any of these services in your local church

All Saints Church, Onslow Gardens

16 December 6.30pm

Christmas Eve 3pm and 5pm

Christmas Eve 11.30pm

Christmas Day 9.30am

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

CRIB SERVICES

MIDNIGHT COMMUNION

HOLY COMMUNION

St Antony's Church, Wentworth Way, Hamsey Green

16 December 5pm

Christmas Eve 4pm

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

CHRISTINGLE

St Edmund's Church, Mitchley Avenue, Riddlesdown

16 December 3pm

23 December 4pm

Christmas Eve 10pm

Christmas Day 10am

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

CHRISTINGLE

FIRST COMMUNION OF CHRISTMAS

CHRISTMAS COMMUNION

St Mary's Church, Purley Oaks Road

23 December 6.30pm

Christmas Eve 4pm

11.30pm

Christmas Day 10am

NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

CHRISTINGLE

MIDNIGHT MASS

FAMILY EUCHARIST

Sanderstead Methodist Church, Limpsfield Road

16 December 6.30pm

23 December 10.30am

Christmas Eve 11.30pm

Christmas Day 10.30am

CAROL SERVICE WITH ATWOOD SCHOOL

CAROL SERVICE

MIDNIGHT COMMUNION

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE

Sanderstead United Reformed Church, Sanderstead Hill

16 December 10.30am

6.30pm

23 December 10.30am

Christmas Eve 4pm

11.30pm

Christmas Day 10.30am

FAMILY WORSHIP

CANDLELIT CAROL SERVICE

FAMILY SERVICE

CRIB AND CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

MIDNIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Holy Family Roman Catholic Church, Limpsfield Road

Advent holy Masses: 1st/2nd, 8th/9th, 15th/16th, 22nd/23rd December in the church, at 6.00pm each Saturday evening, 8.00am and 10.30am each Sunday morning.

16 December 3pm

Christmas Eve 6pm

11.30pm.

Christmas Day 9.00am

11.00AM

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE AND TEA PARTY

FIRST HOLY MASS OF CHRISTMAS AND CAROLS

CHRISTMAS CAROLS AND MIDNIGHT HOLY MASS

THIRD HOLY MASS OF CHRISTMAS

FOURTH HOLY MASS OF CHRISTMAS



Please look at the website for regular Sunday services and additional Christmas events:



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WHAT?	WHEN?	WHERE?
ADVENTure - the living Advent Calendar "Everyone is welcome in the ADVENTure Ark"	1—24 December, mostly 6pm-7pm. (See Page 15)	Various locations. (See Page 15)
FAMILY FUN CHRISTMAS Event All welcome for this annual event of celebrating Christmas with stories, crafts, singing and more.	Wed 5 December, 3.15pm-5.00pm	All Saints' Church
Carol Singing for Croydon Churches Floating Shelter (CCFS) with All Saints and other churches. More info from elaine.leck@hotmail.com	Sat 8 December, 11am—12pm	Whitgift Centre
Carol Singing in Waitrose coffee shop as part of ADVENTure More info from John Jones	Wed 12 December, 6pm-7pm. Arrive at 5.45pm.	Waitrose, Sanderstead
Coffee Pot All welcome for coffee, tea, cakes, mince pies and company.	Fri 14 December, 10am—12pm	All Saints' Church Hall
Carol Singing around the wards at Croydon University Hospital More info from elaine.leck@hotmail.com	Wed 19 December, from 6.30pm	Meet in the St Barnabas Worship Centre at Croydon University Hospital
Team Eucharist JOINT service	Sun 30 December, 10am	St. Edmund's

A Happy Christmas to you all!



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