

NOTICES for Sunday 7th December

2nd Sunday of Advent with lighting of the 2nd Advent candle [PEACE]

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,
and JIGSAW [Advent]

Speaker: Revd Jeremy Groombridge

Today's Collect: Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son, our Lord, comes again as judge and Saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God. Amen.

Lectionary readings: Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72:1-7,18-19; Romans 15:4-13; Matthew 3:1-12.

Invitations to All Saints Christmas Services

At the back of church. Please help yourself & hand them out to neighbours, friends & family.



Tuesday Short Walk - 9 December, 3.00pm

Following our huge turnout last time, there will be another Short Walk on Tuesday 9th December. Usual format - once round the Recreation Ground then back to Church for tea and cake. Meet at 3.00 pm in the Car Park and if it's wet, we shall go straight for tea and chat with no walk. If you don't feel like walking, why not join us for tea at around 3.50 pm or 3.00 pm if it's wet?

Thursday 11 December REFLECTION ON PRAYER DURING ADVENT, 7.00pm – 8.30pm at All Saints Church – Week 2 of 3 Thursdays

This week, the Reflection will be led by Revd Jeremy Groombridge. There'll be a short talk about a prayer in the Bible followed by a time of prayer. These sessions are for everyone including those who don't go to home groups.

Friday 12 December – PAT Testing

Please bring your church electrical items to the Parish Office by Thursday 11th December, ready to be tested on Friday morning.

Saturday 13 December – Croydon Symphonic Band, 5:30pm

Christmas Concert at All Saints with a medley of Christmas music – all funds to go towards All Saints' Church 'Project 800'. There will be a few tickets available on the door. Tickets aren't numbered; seats are on a first come first served basis. Doors will open at 4:45pm. Mince pies & light refreshments provided at the end.

Tony Robinson

Sunday 14 December – 3rd Sunday of Advent

9.30am FAMILY WORSHIP with Communion

Lighting of 3rd candle [JOY]

Speaker: Revd Stephen Cooper

3.00pm – 5.00pm: Messy Christmas followed by Christingle

in the church for children and their parents / carers.



CHURCHES TOGETHER IN SANDERSTEAD, 3.00pm

Father Malachy of Holy Family Catholic Church extends a warm invitation to their 'Service of Light and Hope' for adults and children at 3.00 pm on Sunday 14th December at Holy Family, 115 Limpsfield Road, South Croydon, CR2 9LF. This will be followed by tea in the Old Forge Cafe. All welcome.

Sanderstead Parish Christmas Eve Lunch

We would be pleased to receive items (such as wine, Christmas cake/ puddings, crisps, peanuts etc.) towards the Christmas Eve Lunch for people who would not otherwise be with friends or family at Christmas. Please sign up on the list at the back of the church if you are able to donate and bring your items to the Parish Office. Thank you.

Katheryn & Sue

BRF - Bible Reading Fellowship

Many of our congregation have been using the books and resources of BRF for many years and find them spiritually encouraging. There is a wide range to choose from as you can see from the details on the lobby noticeboards or on their web site – 'BRF Resources'. Bible reading notes are published three times a year, in January, May and September so now is a good time to order if you are interested in regular Bible reading with study notes. *Contact Ann or Michael Turner. Tel: 020 8657 5224.*

Christmas Toy Appeal with the Reedham Children's Trust

Paul Meakin (estate agents, Sanderstead Parade) is running a Christmas toy appeal with the Reedham Children's Trust this year. To donate a gift, visit a Paul Meakin branch, pick a tag from a Christmas tree, & return the unwrapped gift by December 8th. Sadly, fewer tags have been collected this year, which mean that some children will be disappointed. - We have collected a batch of tags that give details of the gender & age of a child who hopes to receive a gift. Please speak to us if you can donate a gift.

Katheryn and Sue

Mince Pies for after the Carol Service on December 21st

Could you make some mince pies to accompany the mulled wine (supplied) for after the Carol Service? If so please sign up on the sheet at the back of church and bring them to the Hall Kitchen before the Carol Service on December 21st. Thank you.

Fanny Smith

Handbell Thank you!

A huge thank you to all who came to the Winter Handbell Concert on Sunday 30th November. We raised nearly £700 to be shared between Sanderstead Neighbourhood Care and GrowBaby.

Martin Winter & Angela Jones

Green Team Tip of the Week to help you be even better stewards of God's lovely creation (and probably save you money too!).

Tip 7

Don't heat rooms you're not using



This week's tip is simple, just turn off the heating on rooms that you don't use. Certainly guest rooms etc, but you can extend it by not heating bedrooms during the day and living rooms during the night-time (and day time too if you are out all day). There is a common myth that is better to keep the heating on all day than to let it cool off and then heat it up again when you need it. This is almost NEVER true, the rate you lose heat is directly related to how much warmer the house is than outside, so as your house cools, it is losing less energy than if you try to keep it warm all the time.

Finally, remember, even the combined might of All Saints and St Anthony's can't save the planet alone, so SPREAD THE WORD!

Use easyfundraising to donate to Project 800

We're using #easyfundraising to help raise money for Sanderstead All Saints Church. It's a fantastic way for you to help us fundraise for free. Sign up today and turn your online shopping at your favourite retailers like eBay, Tesco, H&M, Argos, and 1,000s more into much-needed free funding for us.



Sign up here: www.easyfundraising.org.uk/sanderstead-all-saints-church
Or download the easyfundraising app on your smart phone.

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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