

NOTICES for Sunday 21st December

4th Sunday of Advent

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

Lighting of 4th candle [LOVE]

Speaker: Bishop David Atkinson

6.30pm CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Carols & 6 lessons

Speaker: Revd Jeremy Groombridge



Mince Pies for after the Carol Service

If you have signed up to make mince pies for the Carol Service, please bring them to the Halls Kitchen before the Service. Thank you.

Fanny Smith

Today's Collect: God our Redeemer, who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of your Son: grant that, as she looked for his coming as our Saviour, so we may be ready to greet him when he comes again as our judge; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Lectionary readings: Isaiah 7:10-16; Psalm 80:1-8, 18-20; Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-25.

Christmas Eve (Wednesday)

3.30pm CRIB SERVICE

for children & their parents/carers

11.30pm MIDNIGHT COMMUNION

Speaker: Revd Jeremy Groombridge

Christmas Day (Thursday)

9.30am PARISH EUCHARIST

Speaker: Revd Stephen Cooper



Sanderstead Parish Christmas Eve Lunch, 11.30am for 12pm.

Thank you to all who signed up to bring items for the Christmas Eve Lunch. Any remaining unperishable items can be brought to the Parish Office on Monday or Tuesday this week. Perishable items can be brought to the Halls Kitchen on Tuesday 23rd December between 5pm and 7pm or on Christmas Eve from 8.30am. We're very grateful for every donation. Please pray for the guests and the helpers that all will have a thoroughly enjoyable time and be blessed.

Katheryn & Sue

Parish Prayers

There will not be Parish Prayers this week. We will meet again on Saturday 31st January and every subsequent last Saturday of the month. Do continue to pray for each other, the church, the nation, the world, over this Christmas time.

Sunday 28th December – 1st Sunday of Christmas

8.00am SAID EUCHARIST

Speaker: Bishop David Atkinson

9.30am FAMILY WORSHIP (No Communion)

Speaker: Revd Stephen Cooper

The Christmas Tree

Please take time to admire the wonderful Christmas tree in the North Aisle of All Saints. Lynne Davison donated the full cost for which we are most grateful, and it was erected and decorated by the church team. Thank you.

Growbaby Thank you

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Growbaby appeal. Everything is being put to good use and they are very grateful.

Rosemary Kempself

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 8

This one's controversial! **STOP BUYING CHRISTMAS PRESENTS!**

I told you it was controversial,
(and apologies, it should have been last week's tip, but I was too late)
OK, you can't stop altogether, but you can stop and think...

- Do they need it?
- Do they want it? (or might it embarrass them and force them to buy you one back, that perhaps they can't afford?)
- Is it going to end up in landfill?
- What environmental impact does it have?
- Am I really doing it for them... (or to make ME feel good)?
- Can I do more good with the money I'm about to spend?

There are many ways you can make a charitable donation in lieu of a present, and very often, your intended recipient would prefer that too. You can plant a tree, buy a goat, pay for a guide dog's training, save a tiger, restore someone's sight. Even small children, especially the ones who are opening dozens of presents, will understand if you say to them, *"I DID buy you a present, but I saw a little boy (or girl) who was really sad because they didn't have ANY at all, and that made ME sad, so I gave it to him (her)... is that OK?"* and I think you'll find most will say yes.

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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