

NOTICES for Sunday 8th February 2026

2nd Sunday before Lent

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>

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9.30am FAMILY WORSHIP with Communion

Speaker: Bishop David Atkinson - **James No.4 Taming the Tongue**

Collect: Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works, and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lectionary readings: Genesis 1:1-2,3; Psalm 136; Romans 8:18-25; Matthew 6:25-end.

Additional reading: James 3:1-12

Series on the book of James

- **No.1 Faith & Works:** A faith without actions is dead (James 2:14-26). Jan 18th – *Danny Morris*
- **No.2 Trials & temptations:** View hardships as opportunities for spiritual growth, leading to maturity. (James 1:1-18). Jan 25th - *David Chillman*
- **No.3 Wisdom from Above:** True wisdom is pure, peaceable, merciful, and produces good fruit, contrasting with earthly, selfish ambition. (James 3:13-18). Feb 1st. Candlemas – *Revd Jeremy*
- **No.4 Taming the Tongue:** A warning against slander, boasting, and divisive speech. (James 3:1-12). Feb 8th – *Bishop David*
- **No.5 Humility & Favouritism:** Condemns showing partiality to the rich over the poor. (James 2:1-13). Feb 22nd - *Revd Jeremy*
- **No.6 Prayer:** James 5:7-end. March 1st – *Bishop David Atkinson*

Saturday 14 February – Grandparents' Day, 10.30am – 2.30pm

Are you a grandparent and would you be interested to join with others at Grandparents Day? There will be a choice of Workshops and keynote Speakers. It is being held at St Francis Church Hall, 84 Balcombe Road, Horley, RH6 9AY. Free Event. Drinks provided but bring a packed lunch. To book contact learning@southwark.anglican.org

Rosemary Kempell

Saturday 14 February - Men's Group Six Nations Rugby, from 4pm

The Men's Group will be meeting again in St Catherine's Aisle from 4pm (kick-off 4.40pm) to watch the Scotland v England match. Can wobbly England retain the Calcutta Cup after their single point win over the Scots last year? Come and join us and find out. Tea, coffee, soft drinks, beer, wine and nibbles will be available, and as ever ladies are very welcome, as they are at all Men's Group events.

No need to let us know you if you are coming, just come as you are and enjoy a convivial afternoon with us.

Hope to see you there, cheering on your favourite team!

Croydon Symphony Orchestra - Saturday 14 February, 7.30pm

at Trinity Concert Hall. Darrell Davison's final concert conducting the Croydon Symphony Orchestra as he is retiring. Solo Violinist - Mikhail Andreev.

Valentine Classics... Rimsky-Korsakov SCHEHERAZADE, Tchaikovsky VIOLIN CONCERTO, Glinka - RUSLAN and LUDMILA.

The proceeds will go to International Needs, one of our Mission Partners. To book, go to www.croydonsymphony.com/buytickets

Sunday 15 February – Sunday next before Lent

9.30am Parish Eucharist with choir, BAPTISM & JIGSAW

Preacher: Revd Steve Cooper – The transfiguration

Wednesday 18 February – Ash Wednesday

7.30pm Ash Wednesday Eucharist with ashing.

Revd Steve Cooper



Thursday 19 February – Midweek Holy Communion, 12.30pm

in St. Catherine's Aisle, led by Revd Jeremy Groombridge. An opportunity to stop and reflect.

The next Thirsty Thursday will be on 26 February 7pm at The Sir Julian Huxley in Selsdon for a curry (or something else) and a chat - again, no need to book, just come along if you can make it. It would be good to see you.

The Spring Parish News is fresh off the press!

Look out for it, have a read and be encouraged!



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 10

When washing up, don't run the hot tap for rinsing (in fact, if you don't over-dose the water with detergent, wasteful in itself, then the miniscule amount of washing up liquid left on dishes doesn't need rinsing) but if you MUST, then at least use COLD water.

The nerdy research bit: A sensible dose of 2-3 cm³ (ml) in 5 to 10 litres of water gives a solution which is 0.03% soap. Approximately 98% of that drains off, meaning that you might ingest about 0.0002g of soap when you next use the plate, which is less than 1/5,000 of the amount you would need before "any noticeable physiological effect" according to my research.

If you really are paranoid about the health effects of ingesting 0.0002g of soap... just bear in mind that alcohol is a known neuro-toxin, lethal at just 7g per Kg of body... and we seem to manage that risk quite well, cheers! 😊

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

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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.



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