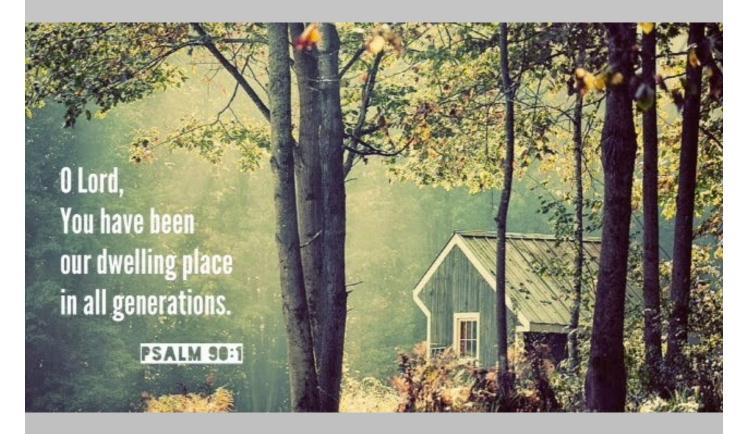
## **Sanderstead Team Newsletter**

#### October 2019



#### Canon Martin writes ...

#### "Lord, you have always been our home". Psalm 90:1

How would you define, 'home'? We all need a home, and those who don't have a home – the home-less – need help especially when the nights get cold; so it's good that we support the work of Croydon Churches' Floating Shelter.

I think 'home' is the place we return to at the end of a day, a place of safety where we can sleep, a place of trust where we can belong. One of my favourite films is Apollo 13, the true story of the near disaster in 1970 on a space journey to the moon when there was an explosion which damaged the spacecraft. The three astronauts, Lovell, Haise and Swigert, faced all sorts of problems, while we on earth worried about the real possibility that they would never return home to earth. The Pope led prayers to God for them, and – praise the Lord – they did manage to get back safe and well to their homes.

Another near-disaster occurred in 2010 when thirty three Chilean miners were feared dead following a collapse of mine tunnels. Amazingly, a drill probe

found out that they were still alive, but the problem was one of how to get them out in time. One of the thirty three, a Christian, became their leader and they prayed and sang to God. They felt the Lord's presence, and even spoke of Jesus as 'the 34th man'. Eventually the last of them was brought up to ground level, brought home once again.

We all need a home. I left home when I was seventeen, but always looked forward to coming home, especially at Christmas. I remember one Christmas Eve when I was working in Deptford. My brother Steve picked me up after lunch in his VW Campervan and together with a couple of others we drove all the way to Ferriby in East Yorkshire, to be at home for Christmas. I expect that we all have memories of travelling home.

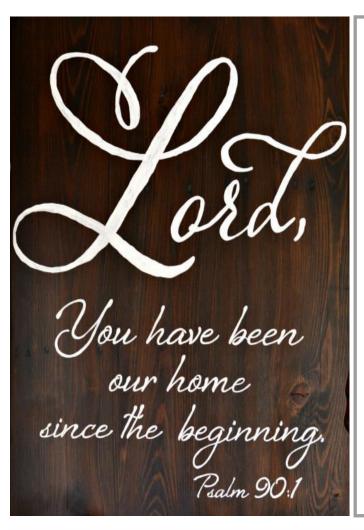
"Lord, you have always been our home". I read that verse this morning in my prayers and it set me thinking about God as our 'home'. Others translate it as our "dwelling place" – the one in whom we live, move and have our being (Acts 17:28) – or as our "refuge" where we are safe and secure. Do we know God as our 'home'? Or, in our experience are we spiritually 'home-less'? The good news is that Jesus Christ came to save us.

One way of understanding the Christian gospel is to say that our Lord Jesus Christ chose to become homeless for us so that we could come home to God. Jesus gave up all his comforts and his place with God, in order to be one of us and offer his life as a sacrifice for our sins. He willingly gave himself for us, yet throughout his life he looked forward to the time when after the resurrection he would himself go 'home' to God his Father. See for example John 13:3, 'Jesus knew that he had come from God and would return to God'.

Do we understand that we can all return to our home in God, because Jesus has made it possible? He said, 'I am the way..' and there is no other way for, 'Noone comes to the Father except through me'. John Denver sang of the 'Country Roads' that would take him 'home, to the place where I belong'. Do you know Jesus as the way, or road, who takes us home to God, where we belong?

With best wishes

Martin



#### Some questions from Bishop Christopher's Keynote speech

at the Lay Conference 2019 which was attended by Lynne and Kevin on Sat 14th September....

Who is God calling you to become?

What is the Spirit stirring you to do?

Where do you think God wants to take you – both as a church community and in relation to your impact on the wider community?

Where do you need to re-evaluate what you are currently doing?







Croydon Refugee Day Centre is a friendly, safe meeting place offering practical assistance to all asylum seekers and refugees.

#### Drop in on Tuesdays, 10am-1pm at West Croydon Baptist Church

Toiletries Information & Help Refreshments and Household Desk service

goods

Food Parcel and A cooked meal Shower facilities Clothing

Children's play Access to English Language classes area



"We have welcomed 770 new people so far this year which includes more than 220 children (16 yrs and under). We have been extremely busy—these figures are about 5 times more than in 2013."

#### **HARVEST DONATIONS:**

In particular, we would appreciate the following contributions:

Tinned fish

Please bring donations to the 8.30 and 10am services at All Saints or Tinned fruit

bring to the Parish Office during the Tinned tomatoes

Tea & Coffee week.

Toothpaste & toothbrushes

For more information please contact: peter@croydonrefugeedaycentre.co.uk

Tel: 020-8689-4527



#### FOOD LIST – SEPTEMBER 2019



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

- Long Life Whole Milk
- Small Bags of Sugar
- Long Life Fruit Juice / Small Bottles of Squash
- Packets of Dried Potatoes
- Packet Soup
- Jars of Pasta Sauce
- Packets of Savoury Biscuits
- Tinned Rice Pudding
- Tins of Dessert Fruit
- Unisex Shower Gel
- Small Washing Up Liquid

Thank you very much for your support - with your help we have provided over 150,000 meals since January 2013.

PURLEY FOOD HUB | Tel: 07546 635295 | Email: <u>purleyfoodhub@gmail.com</u>
Website: <u>www.purleyfoodhub.net</u>

Charity no: 1152807 | Company no: 08557885

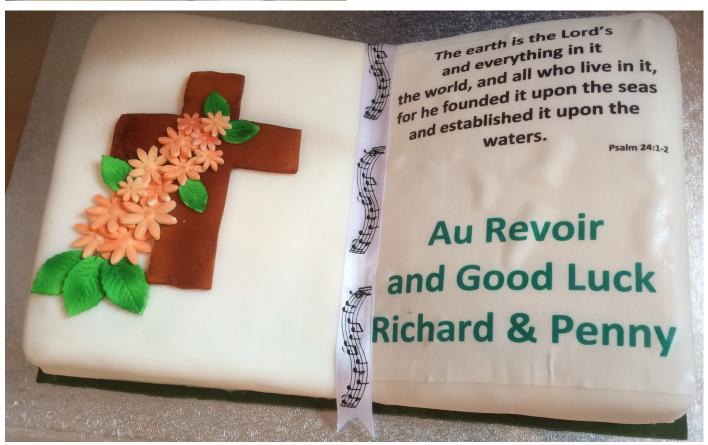
#### Au Revoir



It was a day of mixed emotions on Sunday 21st July when we said Bye Bye to Richard and Penny Bird after so many happy years in All Saints.

We pray for them as they move to their new life in Nottinghamshire, but we are already missing them here.

Thank you Richard and Penny for your splendid farewell garden party in the afternoon.



# St. Edmund's Caring Group



The St Edmund's Caring Group (SECG) visited Titsey Place at the beginning of September... the sun shone, the cream tea was delicious and the garden beautiful.

Revd. Susan





#### Sermon and Home Group series on

## "Credo: Exploring the Big Picture"

These will be the Readings for the 8.30 and 10 services on the days in question.

#### **CREDO SERIES**

Session 1: "We believe...": Does it matter what we believe?

Session 2: "We believe in one God...maker...seen and unseen"

**Session 3: 6 October (for HG 28/10): "We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ"** God becoming human ('For our sake and for our salvation He came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man'.)

Readings: John 1: 14-18; and Philippians 2: 5-8

Session 4: 20 October (for HG 4/11): "We believe in the Holy Spirit..."

Transforming our hopes, our values and our expectations

Readings: John 14: 16-18, 26; 16:13

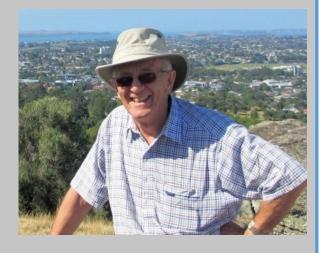
Session 5: 3 November (for HG 18/11): "...one holy catholic and apostolic church...one baptism for the forgiveness of sins"

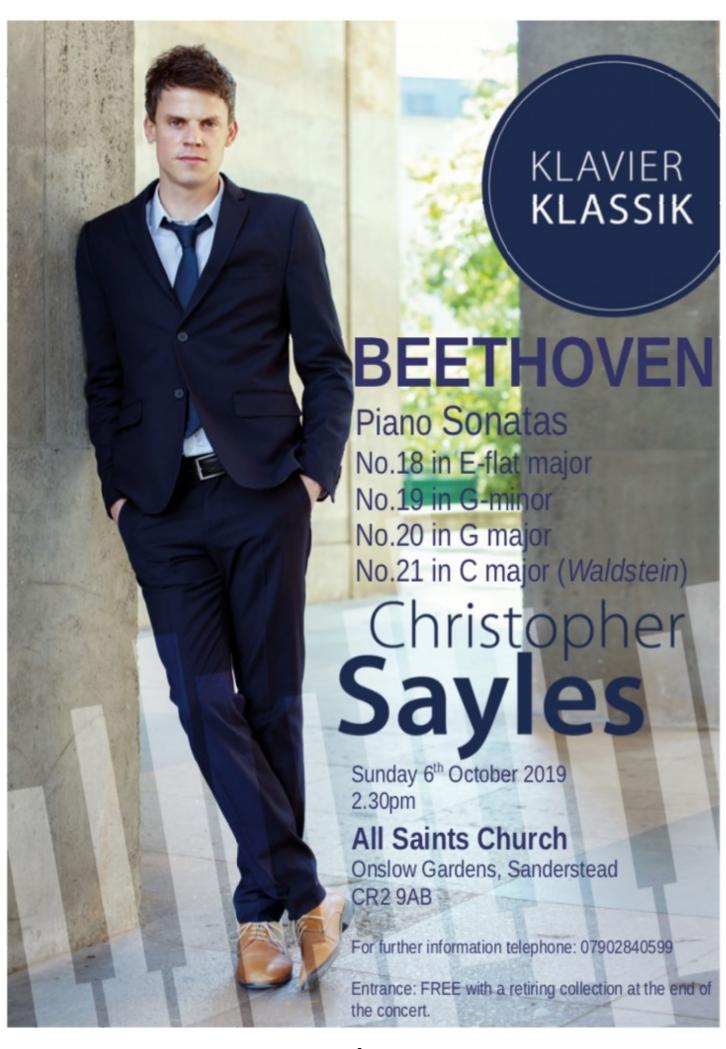
All one body in Christ. Our witness. Our diversity. God making good His promise - how one man's death brings life to all. *Reading: John 17: 6-26 [esp v 17]* 

#### **OBITURY** Chris Ison

It is with sadness that we mourn the death of Chris Ison. He and his wife, Lyndsay, moved to New Zealand a few years ago. They were both very committed members of All Saints when they lived here in Sanderstead, and also very close friends of many of us who knew them both very well.

Let us remember Lyndsay and her family in our prayers.





# Holiday Club

The Holiday Club was successful this summer. We had 50 children attend Space Academy.

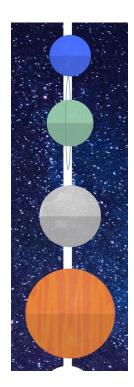


We did games, activities, dramas, songs and told stories about Daniel from the Bible.









The children had a wonderful time.

A big thank you to all of those involved in making the Holiday Club run smoothly.

#### Annalie





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







#### **PURLEY CLASSICS OCTOBER RECITAL**

#### **JONNA DUO**

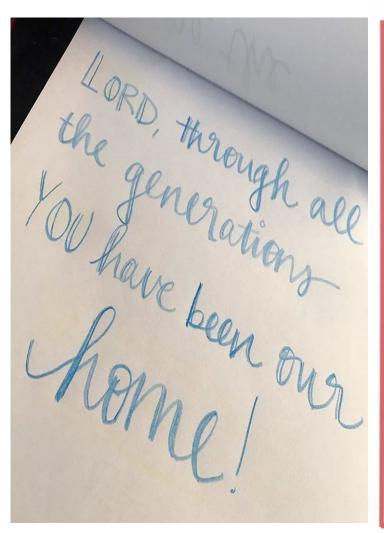
Ana Manastireanu - Piano and Jonna Järvitalo - Flute Music by Poulenc, André Jolivet and Widor

Ana and Jonna have both studied at the Royal College of Music where they met and formed the duo in 2016. They have performed well received concerts at St Giles' Cathedral in Edinburgh, Hertford Music Society in Oxford, Holy Trinity Church in Stratford-upon-Avon, Raleigh Music Society and Wolfson College Music Society Cambridge and Vänersborgs Museum in Sweden.

#### Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019, 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: www.purleyclassics.com





#### Sanderstead Parish Christmas Day Lunch



Would you like an invitation to Our Christmas Day Lunch?

Do you know someone who would like an Invitation ?

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

(by November 1st please)









#### Maria Gayle-Rogers John Collis

# Vocal and piano solos about childhood

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2019 3:45pm.

Croydon University Hospital Chapel London Road, CR7 7YE

>>>>> 44444

To mark Baby Loss Week, we are holding a concert to help raise funds for our paediatric oncology unit at the hospital.

We will be serving refreshments before and after the performance

>>>> < <<<< Email: <u>ch-tr.chaplaincy@nhs.net</u> or phone 0208 401 3105 to reserve seats

Admission and Refreshments free, with a retiring collection.

# Butterfly Service 13th October 2019

This is an open invitation to all families and staff who would like to join us at our Butterfly Service, to remember and celebrate the lives of those lost through a baby loss.

Following our service there will be opportunities to meet with others who have experienced a Baby loss, to our staff and to talk with our Chaplaincy Team for further support.



Venue: St Barnabas Worship Centre
outside Woodcroft Entrance
Croydon University Hospital
530 London Road CR7 7YE
Starting at 3pm followed by refreshments



#### SANDERSTEAD TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD

Wednesday, 9th October
2.00 - 4.30 p.m.
Ann and Julian Marcus
'Projects in Tanzania'

All Saints' Church Hall Refreshments available Visitors welcome - £3.00

Any queries please contact our Secretary, Mrs Wendy Aarons on 020 8768 3655

### 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 11th October

The humorous side of being an actor By Jonathon Fryer

Followed by a soup lunch

#### Fri 25th October

1991 sanderstead surprises

Followed by a ploughman's lunch

Thank you for all your support.

#### **Mothers' Union:**



# CHEESE TASTING & A LEAP OF FAITH

Explore the world of cheese with a glass of wine.

All are welcome.

# Monday 7th October, 7.30 for 8pm

St. Catherine's Aisle, All Saints

Jean Harris

# Appeal from St. Antony's Church + Women's Social Group - Wacky Race night!

We are holding a fund raising event on **Sat 5 October, 7.30pm for 8pm**. Keeping order will be Jeremy Dearden!

Tickets £10

**Fish & Chip supper,** pudding and soft drinks

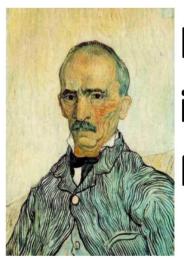
Please come and support us, and join in the fun.

#### Information from:

Barbara Webster Dudley 020 8657 5239 or Julie Shapland 01883 625504.







# It's all in the Mind



# Worried about losing yours? Caring for a loved one? Needing help and support?

Come to a meeting with local experts:

When? WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00pm
Where? Christchurch Hall, Brighton Road,
Purley, CR8 2BN

<u>Parking?</u> Yes! <u>Buses?</u> 60,166,407, 468 <u>Sign up for free: https://tinyurl.com/y5wodh73</u>

# SANDERSTEAD NEIGHBOURHOOD CARE



Reg. Charity No: 1039939

Supported by CROYDON COUNCIL

As a volunteer or service user you are invited to attend the AGM meeting of SNC which will be held on **Thursday 24**<sup>th</sup> **October at 11.00am** at All Saints Church Hall. Your views and ideas on what we do will be greatly appreciated. The Meeting, will be preceded by tea, coffee & biscuits.

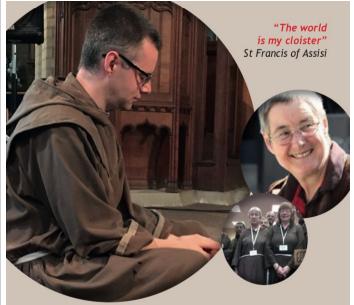
**Debbie** 

It would be great if you could distribute these two events to your parishioners. [See below items]

Thank you so much! Blessings,

Raewynne (on behalf of the Vocations Team)





## Life as a Franciscan Sister or Brother — could It be for me?

Saturday 26 October, 10am-4pm at the Community of St Francis, St Alphege Clergy House, Pocock Street, London SE1 OBJ

A day exploring Franciscan community life in the Church of England. Hear stories from the Franciscan sisters about God's call and their life in community. Lunch provided.

To book: call 020 7928 7121 or e-mail suecsf@franciscans.org.uk no later than 19 October with your name and contact details.



Join us in Southwark Cathedral for a day conference of prayer and reflection. We will consider what it means to be a pilgrim on the Christian journey - in your heart, in your head or on your feet.



#### Keynote speakers

Dr Meg Warner, who is an Old Testament scholar and author of books on Abraham Bishop Christopher, who has been Bishop of Southwark since 2011

#### Workshops and experiences including:

- Hospitality as an approach to God
- · My life story as a pilgrimage
- Dance and craft-based workshops
- · Hearing God's call
- Making your daily commute an act of prayer
- · Organising a pilgrimage

- · Walking the labyrinth
- Spiritual direction
- Thomas Merton
- · Celtic pilgrimage people to place
- · Walking: a biblical exploration
- Prayer walks

All this takes place in the context of uplifting worship Prayer stations and a marketplace of stalls will be open throughout the day

Southwark Cathedral is next to London Bridge Station, SE1 9DA. The cost is £8.00 if you book online by 6 October. After that, £10.00 on the door.

To book, visit: https://to\_be\_a\_pilgrim.eventbrite.co.uk

Walking | Welcoming | Growing







#### 'Trailing Clouds of Glory' Nurturing the Spirituality of Children

Suitable for all who are involved with spiritual nurture of 0-11 years, this 6 week course includes an introduction to children's spirituality, spiritual styles, faith development, generational theory, and intergenerational worship.

Dates: Thursdays: 3rd Oct, 10th Oct, 17th Oct, 7th Nov, 14th Nov, 21st Nov 2019

**Time:** 6pm - 8.45pm

Venue: Trinity House, 4 Chapel Court, SE1 1HW

Cost: £30 for 6 week course

Led by Ronni Lamont with guests Mary Hawes, Dave Csinos, Aike Kennett-Brown Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/trailing-clouds-of-glory-nurturing-the-

spirituality-of-children-tickets. This course includes the Living Faith Seminar by Dave Csinos

on 7th Nov. [see below] 30 places

#### **Living Faith Seminar**

How children and young people create theological meaning. Led by Dave Csinos, Canadian speaker and author of 'Children's Ministry that Fits [Spiritual styles]' and 'Faith Forward'.

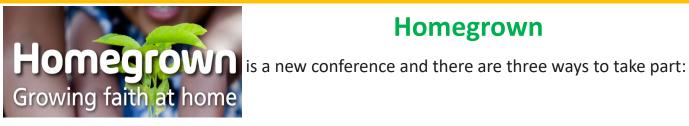
Date: Thursday 7th November 2019

**Time:** 6.15-8.45pm

Venue: Trinity House, 4 Chapel Court, SE1 1HW

Cost: £5 **Book here** 

If you are attending the Trailing Clouds of Glory course, this lecture is included!



#### Homegrown

- 1. Watch live on Tues 8 October, 9.30am-2.30pm. This is an event for those supporting and working with families to learn more about how faith is grown at home. Join in from anywhere and take part in the online conversation via social media.
- 2. Be in the audience! A 24-hour event hosted by Cliff College on Tues 8 and Wed 9 October (includes an overnight stay), with additional content to the livestreamed conference.
- 3. Join a special evening session on Tuesday 8 October, 8pm -9.30pm, to equip parents and carers to grow faith at home with children and young people.

More info from www.methodist.org.uk/homegrown

## Please look at the website for regular Sunday services: www.sanderstead-parish.org.uk

WHAT?	WHEN?	WHERE?
<b>October Midweek Communion</b> All welcome for a short communion service.	Thurs 3 October 12.30pm-1pm	All Saints' Church St. Catherine's Aisle
<b>Coffee Pot</b> All welcome for coffee, tea, cakes and company <i>(page 14)</i>	Fri 4 October 10am—12pm	All Saints' Church Hall
<b>T4U</b> All are welcome (first Monday of the month)	Mon 7 October 2.30pm	St. Antony's Church
<b>Family Fun</b> All welcome for stories, crafts, singing and more (page 12)	Sun 13 October 3pm—4pm	All Saints' Church Hall
<b>Coffee Pot</b> All welcome for coffee, tea, cakes and company <i>(page 14)</i>	Fri 18 October 10am—12pm	All Saints' Church Hall
Holy Communion followed by T4U All are welcome (third Monday of the month)	Mon 21 October 2pm	St. Antony's Church
<b>Light Party</b> Activities, Games, Food, Fun for Ages 5-11 (page 18)	Thurs 31 October 4pm—5.15pm	All Saints' Church Hall

#### **Baptismal Preparation Class**

Anyone with a desire to have their children baptised, speak to one of the clergy, then come & join one of these informal informative classes. The next one will be **Sat 19 October, 9-10am in Church. Revd Jeremy** 



This newsletter is produced by Rosanne, Rector's Admin Assistant. Send your news and diary dates to: <a href="mailto:admin@sanderstead-parish.org.uk">admin@sanderstead-parish.org.uk</a>

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