Please Pray...

Give thanks for: All our contacts with children and families through Toddlers, Jigsaw, Family Fun, baptisms, assemblies, Cubs, Brownies.

For those in need: All those coping with declining health, and the bereaved.

For justice in the world: Refugees; action on climate change; for our politicians & Brexit; and all those working for peace.

For our Mission links: Including Pastor Patrick and the House of Hope's work in Kenya for girls fleeing forced early marriage, and Chris & Alison Hawksbee building up the church in Paraguay. Please also pray for the Sugandh team who work in New Delhi with families and children living in the slums; pray for project leader Mrs Thangtei David.

For our community: Ridge Langley and Langley Oaks Avenue

Next Week:

Sunday 15 December 3rd Sunday of Advent

8.30am: Holy Communion 10.00am: Parish Eucharist

> Isaiah 35:1-10 [James 5:7-10] Matthew 11:2-11

Please pray for:

All those who will attend our Christmas Carols and Festive services.

The Election: Thurs 12 December

Revd Susan's Licensing: Thurs 12 Dec, 7.30pm at St. Mary's Church, Green St Green

Lessons and Carols by Candlelight: Sun 22 Dec, 6.30pm

CHURCH NOTICES

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS with the Parish of Sanderstead There are plenty of postcards giving details of our Christmas services—please take a few and give to your family, friends & neighbours. *Martin*

HELP BRING A SMILE THIS CHRISTMAS - Will you assist MU to collect a gift of toiletries for the mums who come to GROWBABY [charity no. 1103412], a group working locally to help young children and families in need. Sandra Groombridge is our contact with them and MU will be collecting **good toiletries e.g. shower gel, shampoo** as a special gift for the mums. There will be a box in church and the halls this week (until Sun 15 Dec) for your contributions or give to Sandra or Rosemary Kempsell. *Rosemary*

COLLECTION for Annalie As you know, Annalie will be moving on to new adventures after Christmas. If you would like to contribute towards a gift for her, please give your donations to Judith, Jeremy, Martin or to the Parish Office by Mon 16 December. *Judith Robinson*

Gift for Chris and Barbara Skilton Chris will be put down his work as Archdeacon at the end of January 2020 (his formal retirement is at end of Feb), and he and Barbara will move to West Sussex. If you would like to contribute to a financial gift from All Saints, please hand it in to the Parish Office marked "Skilton". *Martin*

We thank you all for the love and prayers that you have all shown to Piers and I. They are so uplifting at this time. Love from *Linda Hubbard*

MISSING TABLECLOTHS If anyone knows the whereabouts of the white pink spotted tablecloths from the Church Hall, please let Fanny or myself know (lynbriton@blueyonder.co.uk). Lynne

Homemade Mince Pies for after the Carol Service on Sun Dec. 22nd Could you make some mince pies for this event? Mulled Wine to accompany will be supplied! Please bring your mince pies to the Hall Kitchen before the service. *Thank you, Fanny Smith 8657 2967.*

CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH AT ALL SAINTS' There's a sign up sheet at the back of church for any donations for the Christmas [money or produce] A few more helpers are still needed on the day for transporting guests to and from the meal. Please contact cathy@butler-family.co.uk / arnold@butler-family.co.uk / arn

DATES

Cheese and Wine with the Bishops, Archdeacon and Dean during Advent at St. Mary's on the theme of "God with us", Mon 9, 16 and 23 December 7.30pm. Booking essential, contact Father Grant Cohen 020 8657 1725.

Langley Oaks Holy Communion & Christmas carols on Tues 10 December at 4pm for a half hour service with carol singing and Holy Communion. Please do join us if you're free. *Jeremy, Maria and Jean*

Christmas Curry Thurs 12 December This will be held at the Taste of Bengal on Sanderstead Road (c100 yards below Sanderstead Station) at 7.30 pm. The cost will be around £30 pp and ALL ARE WELCOME. We do need to advise the restaurant of numbers so please let Tony, Dick or David know by Mon 9 December if you would like to attend. *Dick Hibberd*

Revd Susan's Licensing Thurs 12 Dec, 7pm for 7.30pm at St. Mary's Church, Green St Green. All welcome.

Christmas Tree Festival Sat 14 December, 1-5pm at St. Mary's Sanderstead. Christmas market, bar, live music, Father Christmas, hot & cold food, & more...

Taizé at St Mary's Church Sun 15 December Tea & cake at 4pm; Taizé service at 5pm. Join us for a Taizé Advent service of candlelit song, prayer and contemplation. All are welcome!

Carol Singing on the Wards with Chaplains and the community on Wed 18 December—6.30pm for a 7pm start at St Barnabas Worship Centre, located at Croydon University Hospital outside the Woodcroft entrance. More details from Revd Andy Dovey, email Andrew.dovey@nhs.net *Elaine Leck*

Holy Communion: Regular communicants, including children, are welcome to receive the sacrament with us here. Gluten-free wafers are available on request.

A children's area for pre-school is available with toys and books on the far left in St Catherine's Aisle.

JIGSAW for school aged children meets for Bible stories during the 10am service.

Pastoral Care: If you'd like a chat with Canon Martin, call 8657 1366 or email rector@sanderstead-parish.org.uk

Prayer Chain: To put a confidential message on the chain contact Sandra Groombridge— call 8668 7795 or email <u>sandragroombridge@aol.com</u>

Safeguarding / `A Safe Church': If you ever have any concerns, speak with one of the clergy or with Margaret Quiney 8657 4087 or Katheryn Hewitt 8657 6659, our Safeguarding Officers.

Health & Safety: Please ensure that you know the location of your nearest fire exit.

Sermons at All Saints are often recorded, so if you missed a Sunday or want to hear a message again, you can find sermons to listen to on our website- <u>www.sanderstead-parish.org.uk/talks</u>

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1 Endow the king with your justice, O God, the royal son with your righteousness.

2 May he judge your people in righteousness, your afflicted ones with justice.

3 May the mountains bring prosperity to the people, the hills the fruit of righteousness.

4 May he defend the afflicted among the people

and save the children of the needy; may he crush the oppressor.

5 May he endure as long as the sun, as long as the moon, through all generations.

6 May he be like rain falling on a mown field, like showers watering the earth.

7 In his days may the righteous flourish and prosperity abound till the moon is no more.

18 Praise be to the Lord God, the God of Israel, who alone does marvellous deeds.

19 Praise be to his glorious name for ever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory. Amen and Amen.

A Prayer for the Election

God bless our land, God guide our leaders, God heal our divisions, God forgive our selfishness. Guide the leaders of this and every nation That our peace and unity may be restored, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen



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TODAY

Sunday 8 December 2nd Sunday of Advent

8.30am: Holy Communion 10.00am: Christingle + Baptism of Alexander & Isaac

Isaiah 11:1-10 Romans 15:4-13 Matthew 3:1-12 (Bible page: 696) (Bible page: 1141) (Bible page: 967)

5.30pm: Carol service with Soul Symphony, St. Antony's Church

Collect for 2nd Sunday of Advent

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God. **Amen**