



Christ Church Sutton

NOTICE SHEET Sunday 1st December 2019 Advent Sunday

Welcome to all who gather in our church today.
Please ask one of the welcomers if you are unsure of
anything or would like assistance.

We have gluten free communion wafers available. If you would like to receive a gluten free wafer at Communion, please let the clergy know before the start of the service. Please ask the clergy about non-alcoholic wine.

Today: 8am Holy Communion; 10.30am All-age Worship for Advent Sunday
Theme: Advent : **6.30pm Holy Communion**

Sunday 8th December: 8am Holy Communion; 10.30am Holy Communion
Sermon series 10: Luke 19:1-10

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Morning Prayer: 8-8.25am, Monday to Thursday, at church. Please use the side door (entrance from the car park via side door, adjacent to the office, on the north side).

Praying for the service - every Sunday morning at 10am in the side chapel. All are welcome. We'll pray for that morning's service. The prayer will last no more than ten minutes.

Community Wednesdays: 9am-1pm

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PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL NOTICES FOR THE NOTICESHEET SHOULD BE EMAILED, BY 5pm ON TUESDAY EACH WEEK - suttonteam23646@gmail.com.

PLEASE TAKE THIS NOTICESHEET WITH YOU AS A REMINDER OF DATES AND EVENTS

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Lord, hear our prayer

A monthly prayer meeting held on first Saturday of each month at 9.30am in the church office. Join us to pray for our world, our nation and our parish on 7th December.

Community Wednesdays: 9am-1pm

9.00-11.30: Serving tea, coffee and biscuits

11.30-12.00: Morning Prayer (Communion on last Wednesday of month)

12.00-12.45: Serving a light lunch

*Can you help? Please sign up on the rota at the back of church.
Ask John or Catherine if you have any questions about helping.*

Christmas Craft Activity Afternoon: Saturday 7th December, 2.00-4.00pm.

Lots of craft activities for children - 3D Angels, Advent flowers, Nativity scenes, Christmas biscuits, wreaths and cards and much, much more... All ages welcome. No charge. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Refreshments provided.

If you know somewhere that you can display a leaflet or hand them out, please take copies with you from the coffee table.

Community Wednesdays: Arts and Crafts Morning, usually on the 1st Wednesday of the month, next on 4th December, 10am-1pm in the church.

Free of charge for time and materials; card making, painting, crocheting and more. No previous experience needed, just turn up for a social session, refreshments and, may be, stay for a light lunch too - all part of Community Wednesday.

New Home Group at Christ Church: Verna and Arthur Baguley have started a new church home group at their home (on Christchurch Park) on Wednesday evenings. All are welcome to join for fellowship, Bible study and prayer. No experience of home groups is necessary! Please be in touch with Verna and Arthur in church, by email on bags@iafrica.com or telephone 02086433198 if you are interested.

Thank You from Mary & Graham Robini

A Big Thank You to everyone at Christ Church that helped make our Wedding on Friday 11th of October, such a memorable wonderfully happy occasion. We are very grateful for the cards and gift vouchers presented to us, the vouchers will be used to purchase various items for our new home (when we can find it!). We also appreciated the provision of cakes and refreshments after the service, they were most welcome especially for visitors who had travelled a distance. Thank you to the bakers and servers.

Last but not least, we'd like to say a heartfelt thank you to all who attended the service, it was really good to see so many friends present.

Graham & Mary

Church rotas...

As many people are now aware, Simon, I and the kids are preparing to move to Cambridgeshire in the summer. This means I am starting to find people to take over the various things I do at church. I intend to stop preparing the rotas for services from January. If you would be prepared to take this on then please do let me know, or speak to Phil about it. I will of course give full support initially. Catherine Keen

Chris Skilton, the Archdeacon of Croydon, will be retiring in February 2020. His farewell service will be at Emmanuel, South Croydon on Saturday 1st Feb at 6.00pm. Should any members of the congregation wish to make a contribution to his leaving present, please speak to Colin or Phil.

The Silent Prayer Group has resumed and will be meeting at 10.30 am in the office at Christ Church on the following dates:

Monday 16th December

Monday 20th January

Thirty minutes of silent prayer will be followed by refreshments and a time of fellowship. Everyone is welcome and if you have any enquiries please contact Sheila Collis 0208 661 9487 (email: sheilacollis@hotmail.com).

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Confirmations Summer 2020

We are hoping to soon announce details of a Confirmation Service to be held in Sutton in the summer of 2020. Confirmation is a special service in which a person makes for themselves the promises that were made when they were baptised; it is a significant step in the Christian faith. We will be running preparation groups from the new year- most likely with a group for younger people, and a group for adults. These will be open to anybody of secondary school age or above. These preparation groups would be ideal for anyone exploring the Christian faith. Times and details TBA - please see a member of the ministry team to register interest. **Frances, David and Phil.**

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2020: A united service for this will be held at the Salvation Army, Benhill Avenue, Sutton on Sunday 19th January 2020, 6.30pm. Organised by Churches Together in Sutton and Cheam.

Sutton Community Works: Sutton Foodbank – pray for the foodbank, and all who volunteer and support it, as it approaches the 10th anniversary of it being set up in Sutton.

SUTTON NEW TOWN CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL: The third Annual Christmas Tree Festival is now open at St Barnabas.

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Dream Festival Choir: This is a newly formed choir to allow deaf and hearing people of all ages and abilities have fun while making music together. **Where:** St Barnabas Church Halls, St Barnabas Road, SM1 4NP. **When:** 4:30pm to 5:30 pm Wednesdays in Term Time. FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT: THEDREAMINGTREEPROJECT@GMAIL.COM or SUTTONNEWTOWN@GMAIL.COM