



**St Mary's Sanderstead
with St James' & St Edmunds' Riddlesdown**

**22nd January 2023
3rd Sunday of Epiphany**

9:45am Parish Eucharist @ St Mary's
11:15am Parish Eucharist @ St Edmund's
President & Preacher: Fr Grant Cohen

Processional Hymn: NEH 234 NEH 473*
Readings: Isaiah 9:1-4/ 1 Corinthians 1:10-18
Gradual hymn: SP 108 NEH 353*
Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23
Anthem Coventry Carol – Traditional
Offertory hymn: NEH 6 NEH 302
Communion: SP 75
Recessional Hymn: NEH 415 NEH 362
Organ Voluntary

Collect

Almighty God
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles
The wonder of your saving presence;
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power;
through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Today's Psalm 27:1-11 *(We respond with the words in bold print)*

¹ The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life, of whom shall I be afraid?

² **When the wicked advance against me to devour me, it is my enemies and my foes who will stumble and fall.**

³ Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear; though war break out against me, even then I will be confident.

⁴ **One thing I ask from the Lord, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple.**

⁵ For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling; he will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent and set me high upon a rock.

⁶ **Then my head will be exalted above the enemies who surround me; at his sacred tent I will sacrifice with shouts of joy; I will sing and make music to the Lord.**

⁷ Hear my voice when I call, Lord; be merciful to me and answer me.

⁸ **My heart says of you, "Seek his face!" Your face, Lord, I will seek.**

⁹ Do not hide your face from me, do not turn your servant away in anger; you have been my helper. Do not reject me or forsake me, God my Saviour.

¹⁰ **Though my father and mother forsake me, the Lord will receive me.**

¹¹ Teach me your way, Lord; lead me in a straight path because of my oppressors.



'Living in Love and Faith' - Update from Bishop Christopher

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Church of England has been engaged in listening and praying respectfully, and with mutual love, in the area of sexuality. Following the latest meeting of the College of Bishops about this process, the proposals, to General Synod

which follow a six-year period of listening, learning and discernment, will offer the fullest pastoral provision without changing the Church's doctrine of Holy Matrimony. This includes a range of draft prayers known as prayers of love and faith which could be used voluntarily in churches for couples who have marked a significant stage of their relationship such as civil marriage or civil partnership. The Bishop's are commending these materials to General Synod in February for consideration.

The latest press release from the Church of England on 'Living in Love and Faith' can be found at:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/media-and-news/press-releases/bishops-propose-prayers-thanksgiving-dedication-and-gods-blessing>

Way of the Spirit Bible Study

Kim Brown currently runs a bible study online on Monday evenings at 7pm. and would like to offer the same course in person in church. If you are interested, please contact her.

Tea at 3 @ St. Edmunds'

Tuesdays @ 3pm for a service of Holy Communion followed by refreshments.

Midweek Eucharist @ St Mary's

10am each Thursday followed by refreshments.

Craft & Chatter @ St Mary's

Join us as we knit, sew or embroider on the 2nd Monday of each month @ 2:30pm *Refreshments provided. Next Meeting 13th February*



Are you aged between 8 and 16? 'Chrome' youth club meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month 6pm - 7.30pm. ***We meet again 5th February.***



Lent Course 2023

This year's Lent course begins on 2nd March and is based on the film 'Rocketman', the Themes will include: Becoming and calling. Relationships and how they shape our identities. The meaning of success and failure. Struggle, upset and forgiveness. Death and resurrection.

If you would like to attend the course which will run on Thursday mornings and Monday evenings, please add your name to the list at the back of church so we know how many books to order.

We pray for those who are unwell

Margaret Brooker, Kim Brown, Alison Brewster, Rose Burtwell.
John O Leary, Brian Barton.

We remember those who have recently died

June Hurriion, Eve Pearce, Margaret Dickens.



Tuesday

3pm Eucharist @ St Edmund's

Thursday

10am Midweek Eucharist @ ST M

Friday

Choir Practice with Barry Williams

7:10-7:30pm Voice for Life

7:30-8pm Younger-member Choir

8-9pm Full Choir

February 22nd **Ash Weds**

March 19th Mothering Sunday

March 12th St James' APCM

March 26th St Mary's APCM

April 6th Seder Meal

April 7th Good Friday

Next Sunday 29th Jan - Candlemas

9:45am Parish Eucharist @ St Mary's

11:15am Parish Eucharist @ St Edmunds'

6:30pm Choral Evensong



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