



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

**29th January 2023
Presentation of Christ in the Temple
(Candlemas)**

9:45am Parish Eucharist @ St Mary's

President & Preacher: Fr Grant Cohen

11:15am Parish Eucharist @ St Edmund's

President & Preacher: Fr Martin Freeman

6:30pm Choral Evensong @ St Mary's

Processional Hymn: NEH 393 NEH 234

Readings: Malachi 3:1-5/ Hebrews 2:14-end

Gradual hymn: NEH 439 NEH 187

Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

Anthem: O for a closer walk with God, C.V. Stanford

Offertory hymn: NEH 206 NEH 157

Communion: SP 182

Recessional Hymn: SP 267 NEH 338

Organ Voluntary

Collect

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty,
whose beloved Son was this day presented in the
Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to
you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Today's Psalm 24 *(We respond with the words in bold print)*

¹ The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it;

² **for he founded it on the seas and established it on the waters.**

³ Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place?

⁴ **The one who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not trust in an idol or swear by a false god.**

⁵ They will receive blessing from the Lord and vindication from God their Saviour.

⁶ **Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek your face, God of Jacob.**

⁷ Lift up your heads, you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

⁸ **Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.**

⁹ Lift up your heads, you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

¹⁰ **Who is he, this King of glory? The Lord Almighty-he is the King of glory.**



'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.



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.***

Craft & Chatter @ St Mary's

Join us as we knit, sew or embroider at 2.30pm on the 2nd Monday of each month. *Refreshments provided. Next Meeting 13th 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, Margaret Walker, Ann Clifford.*

We remember those who have recently died

June Hurron, 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

Feb 20th Funeral of Eve Pearce

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 5th February

9:45am Parish Eucharist @ St Mary's

11:15am Parish Eucharist @ St Edmunds'

6pm Chrome



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