





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

5th February 2023 3rd Sunday Before Lent

9:45am Parish Eucharist @ St Mary's 11:15am Parish Eucharist @ St Edmund's

President & Preacher: Fr Grant Cohen

6pm Chrome

Processional Hymn: NEH 237 NEH 433

Readings: Isaiah 58: 1-9a / 1 Corinthians 2: 1-12

Gradual hymn: NEH 466 NEH 370

Gospel: Matthew 5:13-20

Anthem:

Offertory hymn: NEH 345 NEH 271

Communion: SP 278

Recessional Hymn: NEH 408 NEH 343

Organ Voluntary

Collect

Eternal God,

whose Son went among the crowds and brought healing with his touch:

help us to show his love, in your Church as we gather together, and by our lives as they are transformed into the image of 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 112:1-9 (We respond with the words in bold print)

¹ Praise the Lord.

Blessed are those who fear the Lord, who find great delight in his commands.

- ² Their children will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.
- ³ Wealth and riches are in their houses, and their righteousness endures forever.
- ⁴ Even in darkness light dawns for the upright, for those who are gracious and compassionate and righteous.
- ⁵ Good will come to those who are generous and lend freely, who conduct their affairs with justice.
- ⁶ Surely the righteous will never be shaken; they will be remembered forever.
- ⁷They will have no fear of bad news; their hearts are steadfast, trusting in the Lord.
- ⁸ Their hearts are secure, they will have no fear; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.
- ⁹They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor, their righteousness endures forever; their horn will be lifted high in honour.



'Living in Love and Faith' - Update from Bishop ChristopherDear 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/pressreleases/bishops-propose-prayers-thanksgiving-dedication-and-godsblessing

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

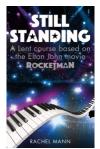
10am each Thursday followed by refreshments.



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

Doreen Macan, Rose Burtwell. Margaret Brooker, Kim Brown, Alison Brewster, John O Leary, Brian Barton, Margaret Walker, Ann Cliffford.

We remember those who have recently died

June Hurrion, 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 12th February

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