





St Mary's Sanderstead with St James' & St Edmund's Riddlesdown 19th November 2023 2nd Sunday before Advent

9:45am Parish Eucharist @ St Mary's11:15am Parish Eucharist @ St James'

President: Fr Grant Cohen Preacher: Fr Peter Macan

6pm Chrome

Processional Hymn: NEH 239/STJ NEH 475

Readings: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-end / 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Gradual hymn: NEH 459 / STJ NEH 304

Gospel: Matthew 25:24-30

Offertory hymn: NEH 374 / SJ NEH 480

Anthem: If ye love me, Tallis

Recessional Hymn: NEH 377 / STJ NEH 339 Voluntary: Prelude and Fugue no. 2, Bach

The Kingdom Season (Colour Red)

The four weeks of November represent the end of our annual liturgical pilgrimage. We have journeyed through Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, Trinity and Ordinary Time, now we seek out God's kingdom on earth as well as in heaven. We have travelled through the cycle of incarnation and redemption and now we seek the glory of Christ's kingdom. The colour of red is commonly used in church during this month (white for Christ the King)— a colour which reflects both the work of the Holy Spirit and the sacrifice that Jesus made on the cross.

Today's Psalm: 90:1-8 (We respond with the words in bold print)

- ¹Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.
- ² Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
- ³You turn people back to dust, saying, "Return to dust, you mortals."
- ⁴A thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by, or like a watch in the night.
- ⁵ Yet you sweep people away in the sleep of death- they are like the new grass of the morning:
- ⁶ In the morning it springs up new, but by evening it is dry and withered.
- ⁷We are consumed by your anger and terrified by your indignation.
- ⁸You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence.

Sponsor a 'potted' Christmas Tree

If you would like to sponsor a Christmas tree at St Mary's there are 23 available, which will feature in each of the windows throughout the month of December. You will then be able to take it home and plant it in your garden. £20 each. Speak to Fr Grant or the churchwardens.

Advent Cheese and Wine

The Cheese and wine evening on Monday 11^{th} December @ 7pm will welcome The Rt Reverend Peter Maurice as our speaker. **All Welcome.**

London Jazz Orchestra @ the Tree Festival 7-9pm on 2nd December Tickets are available from Fr Grant or via Paul at the Parish Office. Tickets £5 each. Refreshments will be available to buy at the event.

Christmas Tree Festival

The Tree Festival brings so many people through our doors and this year's festival is happening over 2 days and so we need plenty of volunteers to assist with various duties. There is a noticeboard at the back of church with lists. Please consider putting your name down for something. Please speak to Anne or Aleen, or Fiona for more details.

Bottle Tombola

Please bring in your unwanted (but unopened) bottles for the very popular tree festival bottle tombola. There is a box at the back of church.

Christingle Chocolate

There is also a box at the back of church for your donations of boxes of chocolates for the Christingle service which is our largest service of the year. Thank-you!

Morning Prayer on Zoom

If you are not on the church mailing list and would like to receive the daily link for Morning Prayer, then please speak to the Churchwardens.

St Edmund's Toddler Group

This will start term times from 13th November 9.30-11.30 in the Hall at St Edmunds.

Art and Crafts Show@ St Edmund's

9th Dec 10-4 Any Artists wanting to book a table Please contact Corrine - 07966412052.

The Bridge Copies of the latest bridge are available at the back of church. You can also access it online via the link:

https://southwark.anglican.org/thebridge

Midweek Eucharist @ St. Edmund's

3pm Every Tuesday followed by refreshments.

Midweek Eucharist @ St Mary's

10am Every Thursday followed by refreshments.

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 – November 13**th

Next Sunday 26th November Christ the King

9:45am Parish Eucharist @ St Mary's 11:15am Parish Eucharist @ St James' 6pm Chrome

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St James' Churchwardens:

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Parish Administrator: Mr Paul Shipley Mon-Fri 2-5pm. Tel. 020 8657 9232

We pray for those who are unwell

Margaret Farrel, Mark Moulding, Robert Radley, Rose Burtwell, Kim Brown, Alison Brewster, John O Leary, Brian Barton, Margaret Walker, Trish Dilley

We remember those who have died

Raymond Thomas, Colin McGregor, Mike Willey, Barry Woods, Sandra Groombridge

This week

Monday

9:30am Toddler Group @ St Edmunds Tuesday

Fr Grant off

Wednesday

9:30am Morning Prayer on Zoom

Thursday

10am Eucharist @ St Mary's

Friday

7:10-7:30pm Voice for life

7:30-8pm Younger-member choir

8-9pm Full choir

Looking ahead

1-2nd December

St Mary's Christmas Tree Festival

3rd December

6:30pm Advent Carol Service @ St M

9th December

Art Exhibition @ St Edmund's

11th December

Advent Cheese & Wine

14th December

6:30pm Nine Lessons & Carols @ St J

17th December

6:30pm Nine Lessons & Carols @ St M