



## St Mary's Sanderstead *with* St James' & St Edmund's Riddlesdown 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023

**Sunday before Advent - Christ the King**

**9:45am Parish Eucharist @ St Mary's**

**11:15am Parish Eucharist @ St James'**

*President & Preacher: Fr Grant Cohen*

**Processional Hymn: NEH 484 / STJ NEH 443**

**Readings: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24**

**Ephesians 1:15-end**

**Gradual hymn: NEH 3 / STJ NEH 345**

**Gospel: Matthew 27:32-44**

**Offertory hymn: NEH 271 / SJ NEH 338**

**Anthem: Turn thy face from my sins, *Attwood***

**Recessional Hymn: NEH 332 / STJ NEH 332\***

**Voluntary: The Prince of Denmark's March,  
*Clarke***



## 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: 95:1-7** (*We respond with the words in bold print*)

<sup>1</sup> Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

<sup>2</sup> **Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.**

<sup>3</sup> For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods.

<sup>4</sup> **In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him.**

<sup>5</sup> The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

<sup>6</sup> **Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker;**

<sup>7</sup> for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care. Today, if only you would hear his voice,

**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<sup>th</sup> December @ 7pm will welcome The Rt Reverend Peter Maurice as our speaker. **All Welcome.**

**London Jazz Orchestra @ the Tree Festival 7-9pm on 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

**Posada**

On Advent Sunday the Posada (Inn) journey begins for the Holy Family as they travel to Bethlehem for the birth of Jesus on Christmas Day.

Sign up to house them for a night on the list at the back of the Church.

For more information speak to Fr Peter.

**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 13<sup>th</sup> 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<sup>th</sup>*

### **Next Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**

#### **Advent Sunday**

9:45am Parish Eucharist @ St Mary's

11:15am Parish Eucharist @ St James'

6:30pm Advent Carol Service @ St M

#### **Websites**

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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, Brian Barton, Margaret Walker, Trish Dilley*

## **We remember those who have died**

*John O Leary, Raymond Thomas, Colin McGregor, Mike Willey, Barry Woods, Sandra Groombridge*

## **This week**

### **Monday**

9:30am Toddler Group @ St Edmunds

### **Tuesday**

9:30am Morning Prayer on Zoom

3pm Eucharist @ St Edmund's

### **Wednesday**

Church open 10am–8pm for Tree decoration

### **Thursday**

10am Eucharist

10:30-7pm Church open for Tree decoration

7pm Choir Practice

### **Friday**

2:30-9pm Christmas Tree festival

### **Saturday**

10-5:50pm Christmas Tree Festival

7-9pm London Jazz Orchestra

## **Looking ahead**

### **3<sup>rd</sup> December**

Advent Carol Service @ St M

### **9<sup>th</sup> December**

Art Exhibition @ St Edmund's

### **11<sup>th</sup> December**

Advent Cheese & Wine @ St M

### **14<sup>th</sup> December**

6:30pm Nine Lessons & Carols @ St J

### **17<sup>th</sup> December**

6:30pm Nine Lessons & Carols @ St M

### **24<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Eve**

9:45 Said Eucharist @ St M

11:15am Said Eucharist @ St J

### **25<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Day**

10am Festival Eucharist @ St M & St J