

PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers:

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| + Akin Akinmuboni | + Jennie Luchmun |
| + Scott Benton | + Bernadette McElligott |
| + Fr Chuck Blankenship | + Valerie Martlew |
| + Helen Clover | + Shelagh Murray |
| + Matthew Cook | + Jeanne Randall |
| + Margaret Dickens | + Beverley Smith |
| + Annet Fernandez | + Andrea Spalding |
| + Helen French | + Angela Start |
| + Lorraine Gonsalves | + Tye |
| + Susan Head | + Jacque White |
| + Joan Henley | + Elizabeth Williams |
| + Jack Kettle-Smith | |
- + Our neighbours: St Michael's West Croydon & the Salvation Army

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MINSTER NEWS

Sunday 03 January 2016

Epiphany

- 08.00am** Eucharist
Canon Arthur Quinn
- 09.50am** No Crèche, Kingfishers, BDG

- 10.00am** Parish Eucharist
Celebrant: *Revd Christopher Moore*
Preacher: *Revd Christopher Moore*
Choir: No choir
- Hymns:** **36, 39, 29, 26**
Reader: *Frances Martin*
Setting: Addington Service – Shephard
Intercessor: *Sue Williams*
Communion Hymn: 28

Services this week

04 January – 09 January

Monday	12.00noon	Eucharist
	2.30pm	Julian Group – Almshouses
Tuesday		No Lectio Divina
	1.10pm	Eucharist
Wednesday	11.00am	Eucharist (BCP)
		No Contemplative Eucharist
Thursday	11.00am	Eucharist – Whitgift House
Friday	10.00am	Eucharist
Saturday	10.00am	Eucharist followed by informal coffee in the <u>Mary Chapel</u>
	12.30pm	Diocesan Servers Festival at Southwark Cathedral

If you are new, please complete a 'Blue Welcome Card' which is available at the back of church. Please ask a sides' person for details.

Coffee, tea & squash will be served in the church hall after the 10am Service.

Next Sunday, 10 January 2016

Baptism of Christ

- 08.00am Eucharist
- 09.50am Crèche, Kingfishers & BDG resume
- 10.00am **Sung Eucharist**
Readings: Isaiah 43:1-7; Psalm 29; Acts 8:4-17; Luke 3:15-17, 21-22
- 6.30pm **Epiphany Carol Service**

- 09.00am** Eucharist at the Almshouses
Revd Christopher Moore

- 6.30pm** Evensong to Chants
Officiant: *Revd Christopher Moore*
Preacher: *Elaine Cooper, Reader*
Choir: No choir
- Hymns:** **30 (omit *), 35, 25**
Responses: *Said*
Psalm: 98
Canticles: *To Chants*

Our Clergy are available to talk to, they are:

Vicar:	<i>Canon Colin J Luke Boswell</i>	<i>020 8688 1387</i>
Assoc. Vicar:	<i>Revd Lee Taylor</i>	<i>020 3742 5842</i>
Curate:	<i>Revd Chris Moore</i>	<i>020 8680 7890</i>
Hon Curate:	<i>Revd Mark Hill</i>	<i>020 8688 1387</i>
St George's	<i>Revd Pat Vowles</i>	<i>020 8688 7006</i>

Thank you for your offerings for the work of the Minster. UK tax payers, please consider Gift Aiding any donation by completing one of the White Gift Aid envelopes or by filling in a more permanent Gift Aid Declaration which is available at the back of church or from the Minster Office. We can supply weekly or monthly envelopes for your regular giving, should you require them.

Children's Activity Bags are available at the back of church for use with your child in the pew. Please ask a Sides' person to show you where they are.

The December Magazine is available: £1.00

The Church Times is available. Price £2.05

The Bridge & Croydon Citizen Newspapers (both free) are available at the back of church.

Sponsorship of church flowers – Forms are available at the back of church. £25.00 buys one arrangement.

Organ Restoration Appeal

Here is this month's appeal update, including **1** new Adopt a Pipe donation and **2** new One off donations:

Monthly Patrons – **17** monthly patrons recruited so far.

We need many more monthly patrons to help us reach our target – standing order forms available from Gail or Denise to donate £30 a month for 24 months.

Adopt a Pipe – **36** pipes adopted

One off donations – **24** received

Fundraising Events – **4** including **1** marathon run, **2** table top sales and **1** Lunchtime Recital. Please let Gail or Denise know if you are organising a fundraising event for the appeal so that we can advertise it to ensure it is well supported.

Grants – **1**, we are very grateful indeed for the Whitgift Foundation's generous support of our appeal

Total amount received / pledged at the end of November, including Gift Aid is **£54,216**

Croydon Minster's CD 'In Trouble and in Joy' is still available from the Minster Office at a cost of £10.00

Lectio resumes weekly from Tuesday 12th January at 12.00pm. Advanced Ballroom & Latin Dancing lessons also resume on Tuesday 12 January at 7.00pm. Beginners resumes on Saturday 16th January at 12.00pm.

Contemplative Eucharist is usually on the 1st Wednesday of the month in the Mary Chapel at 7.30pm.

In the New Year we will be having retiring collections for the Refugees in Europe & the Middle East. The money will go to Oxfam who are working in Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Italy & Serbia.

Wednesday 6 January, visit to Honeywood Museum, Carshalton, and pub lunch. Meet 407 bus stop at Reeves Corner at 10.00am. Details: Jenny Muschamp (020 8686 8521) or Geoff Radford (07561 405801)

Monday 11 January 7.30pm Mothers' Union Meeting. All members are invited to the 'bring & share' New Year Social & Annual Meeting at The Almshouses, George Street. Looking forward to seeing you all.

'Thursday 21 January 2016. Pub lunch at Toby Carvery, Commonside West, Mitcham. Meet in bar 1pm. Free parking, bus 264 to Madeira Road, or meet 12.15pm 264 bus stop at Reeves Corner. Do join us. Details: David Gilbert tel. 07906 503657.' Thank you.

For sale.....

Office Chair, as new, large and comfortable, grey material. Can deliver locally. Donations to Organ Fund. Please contact: laurencegough@btinternet.com

Home-Start Croydon are recruiting volunteers! Do you have a few spare hours a week and feel you could support a family in their home? Volunteering is a fantastic way to enhance your CV, meet people and do something rewarding in the community. We will be running new Volunteer Preparation Courses in the New Year. More details can be found on our website <http://www.croydon-homestart.co.uk/volunteers.htm> or call Louise on 020 8667 0207.

Floating Shelter 2016 (Mid February – end of March)

The sign-up sheet for the Floating Shelter is now at the back of church. We particularly need volunteers to do the overnight shift (9.00pm – 6.15am). any queries, please speak to Fr Chris.

Important Notice – Sadly we are having to make The Minster Office a 'restricted place' so from this week the office door will be kept locked. To gain entry you will have to knock and wait for a response. Coffee will no longer be offered on a daily basis after Morning Prayer. On Saturdays after the Eucharist, informal coffee will be served in the Mary Chapel. Should you need to see one of the clergy or lay staff, please make an appointment via the Minster Office phone number or email address? You might find it easier to access the offices via the parish office door.