

PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers:

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| + June Archer | + Valerie Martlew |
| + Helen Clover | + Shelagh Murray |
| + Matthew Cook | + Jeanne Randall |
| + Margaret Dickens | + Annie Smith |
| + Annet Fernandez | + Beverley Smith |
| + Sheila Foster | + Andrea Spalding |
| + Lorraine Gonsalves | + Angela Start |
| + Susan Head | + Stephen Stokes |
| + Dawn Johnson (nee Crawley) | + Brenda Stringer |
| + Jack Kettle-Smith | + Jacque White |
| + Flo Liddle | + Elizabeth Williams |
| + Jennie Luchmun | + Barry Wood |
| + Bernadette McElligott | |
- + Our neighbours: West Croydon Methodist Church, the YMCA & Palmer House

+ The soul of Akin Akinmuboni former Lay Reader here, day chaplain at both Southwark Cathedral & Croydon University Hospital. Akin's funeral will take place on Tuesday 19 April at 2.00pm here in church.

+ The soul of Bernard Woolnough resident of Whitgift House
+ The soul of Dot Ferns known to Margaret & Joe Lord. Margaret & Joe thank you for your prayers for Helen French who is much better

+ The soul Scott Benton known to Margaret & Ken Gibbons

Services this week

11 April – 16 April

Monday	12.00noon	Eucharist
	7.30pm	PCC Meeting in the hall
Tuesday	12.00noon	Lectio Divina
	1.10pm	Eucharist
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong sung by the boy choristers
Wednesday	11.00am	Eucharist (BCP)
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong sung by the girl choristers
Thursday	11.00am	Eucharist – Whitgift House
	7.00pm	Choral Evensong sung by the men & scholars
Friday	10.00am	Eucharist
Saturday	10.00am	Eucharist followed by coffee in the Lady Chapel
	11.00am	Baptism Preparation

Next Sunday, 17 April 2016

4th Sunday of Easter

08.00am	Eucharist
09.50am	Crèche, Kingfishers & BDG
10.00am	Sung Eucharist
	<i>Readings: Acts 9:36-43; Psalm 23; Revelation 7:9-17; John 10:22-30</i>
12.00noon	Holy Baptism
6.30pm	Choral Evensong celebrating Croydon's voluntary sector

Our Clergy are available to talk to, they are:

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

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MINSTER NEWS

Sunday 10 April 2016

3rd Sunday of Easter

08.00am **Eucharist**
Revd Lee Taylor
No Crèche,
Kingfishers & BDG resume

10.00am **Parish Eucharist**
Celebrant: Canon Colin Boswell
Preacher: Revd Lee Taylor

No Choir:

Hymns: 351, 103, 352, 115
Reader: Sue Kibler
Setting: Addington Service Shephard
Intercessor: Elaine Cooper
Communion hymn: 105

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.

4.30pm **Evening Prayer at The Almshouses** Sharon Wallace

6.30pm **Evensong to Chants**
Officiant: Revd Lee Taylor
Preacher: Canon Colin Boswell

No Choir:

Hymns: 117, 118, 120
Responses: Said
Psalm: 85 v 1-12
Canticles: To chants

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.

Please don't forget to return your Lent Boxes

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 April 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 - Update

Here is this month's appeal update with our very encouraging current position as at the end of March 2016. This update includes **3** new Monthly Patrons and **4** new One off donations:

Monthly Patrons - **19** monthly patrons - Thank you to all who have signed up so far. We still need many more monthly patrons (our target is 100) - standing order forms available from Gail or Denise to donate £30 a month for 24 months.

Adopt a Pipe - **43** pipes adopted

One off donations - **36** received

Fundraising Events - **5** including **1** marathon run, **3** table top sales and **1** Lunchtime Recital. Please let Gail, Karen 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 - **3** - we are very grateful to the Croydon Almshouses Charity (Relief in Need), The Whitgift Foundation and The Mercers' Company for their generous support of our appeal.

Total amount received / pledged at the end of March including Gift Aid is **£92,786** (Can we meet the £100,000 target by the anniversary of the launch of the appeal on 26th April?)

Ballroom & Latin Dancing Classes:

Advanced Classes: Tuesdays at 7.00pm,

Beginners: Saturdays at 12.00noon.

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

Annual Report Booklet If you were asked to write a Report please let Diana Hemmings have it as soon as possible. Email report is fine. Many thanks.

Vacancies on the PCC. Please sign up on the list under the Tower if you are interested in becoming a member of the Parochial Church Council. Details in the April magazine. Forms from Diana Hemmings, PCC Secretary.

Monday 11 April – Mothers' Union Meeting. We are joining the 'Young at Heart' group at St George's. It is from 6pm-7pm and will be followed by tea/coffee. This should be fun. Do come. Please note the earlier time.

Monday 11 April 7.30pm PCC meeting in the church hall for the Adoption of the Accounts in preparation for the Annual Parish Meeting.

Tuesday 19 April – visit to the Bank of England (chargeable) & Guildhall. Meet at East Croydon Station at 9.45am bring freedom pass, oyster or day Travel card. Details Jenny Muschamp 020 8686 8521 or Geoff Radford 07561 405801.

Wednesday 20 April 7.30pm Annual Parochial Church Meeting in church. There are 6 vacancies on The Parochial Church Council. Elections will be held at this Meeting. Why don't YOU become involved and actively support YOUR Church? You need to have been on the Electoral Roll for 6 months or more. Application forms and further details from Diana Hemmings, PCC Secretary.

Saturday 23rd April – Maintenance Morning 23rd April is St George's Day when we celebrate England's Patron Saint. This is an opportunity for us to take pride in our country and we intend to play our part at Croydon Minster with one of our regular maintenance mornings where we give the grounds surrounding the Minster a spring clean. We will also be checking the drain pipe hoppers on the roofs. Please sign up to assist with these important maintenance tasks, even if you can only spare an hour – 9.30am-12.00noon. Coffee will be served.

Sunday 24 April – Patriotic Bring & Share Lunch in Honour of HM The Queen's 90th Birthday.

Thursday 28 April 12.30pm Pub lunch at Fox and Hounds, High Street, Carshalton. Free parking, or buses 127, 157, 407 or X26. Do join us. Details David Gilbert 07906 503657.

Saturday 7th May – Selecting the new Vicar of Croydon. Gail and Karen invite all members of the congregation to attend a workshop in the hall on 7th May. We will be explaining the process of selecting our new Vicar and inviting your thoughts and ideas concerning the essential qualities and gifts we should be looking for before we advertise the vacancy in July - 10.30 to 12.30.

Sunday 1st May 11.40am, Sidespersons' training and meeting to be held in Church. All sidespeople should try and attend please.

Wednesday 11 May 7.30pm – The Sixteen 2016 Annual Choral Pilgrimage. Tickets on sale from the Minster Office: £15 rear nave, £10 restricted view (side aisles).

Croydon University Hospital are running a training course for those interested in hospital chaplaincy or ward chaplaincy. The course is open to anyone under 70 who would be able to commit to regular weekly visiting (one morning or afternoon per week) and are comfortable training and working in a team of people of other faiths, as well as fellow Christians. The course will run for 9 evenings beginning on Thursday 7th April and ending on Thursday 2nd June. For further information please contact: Hilary Fife the hospital chaplain by phone: 020 8401 3105 or via email: h.fife@nhs.net

The Whitgift Almshouse residents thank all those who supported or donated to the Coffee Morning on 19 March. £389.88 has been sent for work amongst refugee children. (Please note we do not need glass jars at present.)

For sale....

Single bed (unused) with sheets, duvet & covers (collection)
Large kitchen table with 5 chairs (collection)

Breadmaker

Donations to church funds. If interested, please enquire at the Minster Office.