

PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers:

+ June Archer	+ Bernadette McElligott
+ Leo Brewster	+ Valerie Martlew
+ Helen Clover	+ Shelagh Murray
+ Matthew Cook	+ Jeanne Randall
+ Margaret Dickens	+ Annie Smith
+ Annet Fernandez	+ Beverley Smith
+ Lorraine Gonsalves	+ Andrea Spalding
+ Susan Head	+ Angela Start
+ Dawn Johnson (nee Crawley)	+ Stephen Stokes
+ Jack Kettle-Smith	+ Brenda Stringer
+ Flo Liddle	+ Jacque White
+ Jennie Luchmun	+ Elizabeth Williams

+ Our neighbours: St Michael & All Angels with St James & the Salvation Army

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MINSTER NEWS

Sunday 01 May 2016

6th Sunday of Easter

08.00am Eucharist
Canon Arthur Quinn

09.50am Crèche & Kingfishers *meet in the hall*
BDG *meets in the Vicar's Study*

10.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant: *Canon Colin Boswell*
Preacher: *Revd Christopher Moore*
Choir: Boys & Men

Hymns: **137, 384, 420, 297**

Reader: *Rachel Rhodes*

Setting: *Missa in D Major Mozart*

Intercessor: *Jon Blanchard*

Motet: *O quam Gloriosum Victoria*

Voluntary: *Prelude & Fugue in C Minor BWV 549 Bach (NG)*

Services this week

02 May – 07 May

Monday	6.00pm	Gala Organ Recital
	2.30pm	Julian Group – Almshouses
Tuesday	12.00noon	Lectio Divina
	1.10pm	Eucharist
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong sung by the Boys' & Men
	<i>Canticles:</i>	<i>Brewer in D</i>
	<i>Anthem:</i>	<i>Evening Hymn Gardiner</i>
Wednesday	11.00am	(BCP) Eucharist
	4.30pm	Evensong – Whitgift House
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong sung by the Girls' Choir
	<i>Canticles:</i>	<i>Wood in G</i>
	<i>Anthem:</i>	<i>Ave Maria Martin</i>
	7.30pm	Contemplative Eucharist
Thursday	8.00pm	Sung Eucharist for Ascension Day
Ascension Day		
Friday	10.00am	Eucharist
Saturday	10.00am	Eucharist followed by coffee in the Lady Chapel
		Be a Girl Chorister for a Day

Next Sunday, 08 May 2016

7th Sunday of Easter

08.00am	Eucharist
09.50am	Crèche, Kingfishers & BDG
10.00am	Sung Eucharist
	<i>Readings: Acts 16:16-34; Psalm 97;</i>
	<i>Revelation 22:12-14,16-17,20-21;</i>
	<i>John 17:20-16</i>
6.30pm	Choral Evensong

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.

09.00am Eucharist at The Almshouses
Revd Mark Hill

11.30am Sides' Persons Training

6.30pm Choral Evensong
Celebrant: *Canon Colin Boswell*
Preacher: *Revd Lee Taylor*
Choir: Girls & Adults

Hymns: **437, 456, 334**

Responses: *Smith*

Psalm: *127*

Canticles: *Aston in F*

Anthem: *Jubilate Walton*

Voluntary: *Allegro from Sonata IV BWV 529 Bach (TL)*

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 May 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.

Results of the Annual Parish Meeting The following people were elected onto the PCC: George Aries, Jenitta David, Gordon Haenow, Pamela Hall. Victor Kalanzi and Erin Palmer will be formally admitted after 6 months but can attend the meetings.

Please give generously to our mini-appeal and help clear the deficit on the general fund by giving £2.00 extra each week for the months of May and June. After 22 years of service as our parish Priest we want Fr Colin to leave us on a high with the general fund in surplus. Thank you for your support.

Tomorrow: 2 May 6.00pm – An Evening with Former Organists of Croydon Minster. This Bank Holiday join the full choral foundation and past organists of the Minster at a gala concert in aid of the ongoing organ appeal. The evening will feature virtuosic organ performances, Q&A with the organists, and choral items, all rounded off with a reception. Tickets £15/10 from the Minster Office to include refreshments. Please don't miss out on this exciting, one-off event!

Tuesday 3 May – 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.

Saturday 7 May 10.30 to 12.30 – 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.

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).

Thursday, 12 May 2016 at 8.00pm – Archdeacon's Visitation Service at St Mildred's Church, Addiscombe to include swearing in of churchwardens, and sides' people.

Sunday 15 May at 2.00pm MU Fundraising Walk – We are organising a Walk around Heathfield Gardens. Open to everyone. Meet outside the Minster to get the tram to Coombe Lane or meet us there. Followed by tea at Coombe Wood's cafe.

Saturday 21 May 7.30pm Pianist Jacqueline Cole will play Bach's 'Goldberg Variations'. Further details are available at the back of church.

Monday 23 May 7.30pm The first PCC meeting of the new Council will meet in the church hall.

For sale, from the Vicarage.....

Large kitchen table with 5 chairs (collection)

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

Remembering 1916 'Life on the Western Front'. A Major exhibition being staged at Whitgift School 12 March-31 August. Fr Colin is enquiring about a date for a group visit – watch this space. Details about the exhibition are under the tower.

Confirmation – Sunday 19 June at 10.00am – Please sign up on the list at the back of church if you or your child would like to be confirmed. Children must be 10 or older. Classes will start very soon. Details to follow

Friday 24 June 7.30pm Fr Colin's licensing service at St Augustine's, Honor Oak. We are proposing to book a coach to this event. Please sign up if you would like to come on the coach. Further details to follow.

For sale: Solid Oak blanket box - measures W110 x D58 x H50cm - in very good condition. Contact Karen Ip on 020 8686 0626 for details. Proceeds to Minster General Fund.

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