

Please remember in your prayers:

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| + Marek Barden | + Ishia Kabba |
| + Jon Blanchard | + Horst & Sonja Krippner |
| + Vishnu Carpenen | + Patrick Lewis |
| + Roy Champion | + Flo Liddle |
| + Helen Clover | + Arthur Low |
| + Matthew Cook | + Jennie Luchmun |
| + Val Coslett | + Rosemary McLuskey |
| + Bob Dean | + Bernadette McElligott |
| + Margaret Dickens | + Valerie Martlew |
| + Annet Fernandez | + Annie Smith |
| + + Albie Hammond | + Andrea Spalding |
| + Doug Hampson | + Sue Turnbull |
| + Susan Head | + Sharon Wallace |
| + Dawn Johnson | + Elizabeth Williams |
- + Our neighbours: St Mary's Roman Catholic Church
- + The soul of Valerie Tempia resident of the Elis David Almshouses

Services this week

28 November – 03 December

Monday	12.00noon	Eucharist
Tuesday	12.00noon	Lectio Divina
	1.10pm	Eucharist
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong (Boys')
		<i>Canticles:</i> Jesus College Service Briggs
		<i>Anthem:</i> Long since in Egypt Parry
Wednesday	11.00am	(BCP) Eucharist
	2.00pm	St Andrew's Sch Pat Festival
	4.30pm	Evensong – Whitgift House
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong (Girls/Men)
		<i>Canticles:</i> Collegium Regale Howells
		<i>Anthem:</i> Justorum animae Stanford
Thursday	10.45am	Croydon Schools Music Association Concert
	7.00pm	Choral Evensong (Men)
		<i>Canticles:</i> Magnificat Octi Toni Lasus
		<i>Anthem:</i> Oculi omnium Parnell
Friday	10.00am	Eucharist
Saturday	11.00am	Elis David Mynde Day Service
	10.00am	Eucharist
	6.00pm	Newcomers Tour

Next Sunday, 4 December 2016

2nd Sunday of Advent / Toy Service

08.00am	Eucharist
09.50am	Crèche, Kingfishers & BDG - in church
10.00am	Sung Eucharist
	Readings: <i>Isaiah 11:1-10 Psalm 72:1-7,18-19; Romans 15:4-13; Matthew 3:1-22</i>
6.30pm	Choral Evensong

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MINSTER NEWS

Sunday 27 November 2016

Advent Sunday

08.00am	Eucharist <i>Fr Christopher Moore</i>
09.50am	Crèche Kingfishers & BDG
10.00am	Sung Eucharist <i>Fr Lee Taylor</i>
Celebrant	<i>Fr Christopher Moore</i>
Preacher:	<i>Fr Christopher Moore</i>
	<i>Choir: Minster Consort</i>
Hymns:	11, 15, 3, 16
Setting:	Deutsche Liturgie Mendelssohn
Reader:	OT: Keith Bailey; NT: Ann Winter
Intercessor:	Stephen Willmer
Motet:	Denn er hat seinen Engeln <i>Mendelssohn</i>
Voluntary:	Prelude & Fugue in C Minor <i>Mendelssohn (RK)</i>

In the interest of hygiene: If you wear lipstick, please could you kindly blot your lips before taking communion, and, if you need to dip your wafer in the chalice, please could you avoid dipping your fingers or getting your hair in it as this contaminates the wine. Thank you very much

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 is served in the church hall after the 10.00am Service.

11.30am	Morning Prayer at Whitgift Almshouses Elaine Cooper
6.30pm	Advent Carol Service See order of service

Our Clergy are available to talk, they are:

Vicar:	Vacant	
Assoc. Vicar:	Revd Lee Taylor	020 3742 5842
Curate:	Revd Christopher Moore	020 8680 7890
Asst. Priest:	Revd Alan Bayes	07792 125773
St George's	Mtr Pat Vowles	020 8688 7006

Organists: RK – Ronny; TL – Tom; JO – Jack Oades (Organ Scholar)

Children's Activity Bags are available at the back of church for use with your child in the pew. Please ask a Sides' person for one and please return it to the sides' people at the end of the service.

The November Magazine is still available: £1.00.

The Church Times is available. Price £2.10

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

The total amount received/pledged at the end of September including Gift Aid was **£116,484**. We have just heard that we have received a £20,000 boost to the funds.

A big 'Thank You' to Diana Hemmings & Diane Edwards for covering the office for me whilst I was away on holiday.

Food Bank – we realise times are hard but we still need weekly donations of food to help support the local food bank in Ramsey Court. Donations of: UHT milk, cooking oil, tinned meat/fish, ready meals, noodles, sugar etc. All donations very gratefully received. We are happy for cash donations to enable Fr Chris & Denise to do a weekly/fortnightly shop.

Mass intentions, Visiting the sick (including Anointing) & **Confession**, please speak to Father's Lee or Chris.

Weekly & Monthly Envelope Users there are new envelopes for you in the North Cross Aisle. Please take yours today to avoid postage. These start from today.

Operation Christmas Child 'Shoebbox Appeal'. Thank you for your generosity, especially to our friends at St George's. This year we were able to send off 71 Shoe Boxes.

Remembering 1916 'Life on the Western Front'. A Major exhibition at Whitgift School (on until the end of December).

Today is Advent Sunday. The Advent Carol Service will take place at 6.30pm this evening.

Christmas Cards for the parish – There are Christmas cards for every house in the parish which need to be delivered as soon as possible. These are in road bundles in the north cross aisle. Please take a road and try and deliver them this week. This is a very important piece of mission, particularly if you don't live within the parish, but choose to worship here. Thank you all very much.

Wednesday 30 November 7.15pm, Child Sexual Exploitation in Croydon – The Churches Response. Held at New Life Christian Centre, Croydon, CR0 1XP.

Saturday 3 December 10.30am-12.00noon – Christmas Coffee Morning at Wilhelmina House – All welcome. 21 Park Hill Rise, Croydon CR0 5JF

Next Sunday (4 December) will be TOY SERVICE. Please bring along new toys / gifts for children aged between 3-16 (boys or girls). Please don't Christmas gift wrap these.

Sunday 11 December

11.30am Kingfisher & Blue Door Groups Leaders Meeting – Vicars study. Please can I encourage all of you to attend this meeting?
Fr Christopher

6.30pm The **Town Carol Service** will take place here in the presence of the Mayor of Croydon.

Minster income problems

So far we have only received five pledges.
Could you please consider helping us?

Friday 16 December – Carol singing in the Whitgift Centre in aid of the *Croydon Churches Floating Centre* particularly at 3.00pm-4.00pm to join with St Mary, Addington Village, Christ Church, West Croydon & St Matthew's Church, East Croydon.

Sunday 18 December 6.30pm – 'Carols by Candlelight' A Concert by the Minster Choral Foundation. Tickets £10 available from the Minster Office (not to be missed).

Tuesday 20 December – Carol Singing at Croydon University Hospital. Meet in the hospital chapel at 7.00pm, sing around the wards & return to the chapel for refreshments.

Thursday 29 December – Outing to Geffrye Museum, Shoreditch. Period rooms decorated for Christmas. Meet West Croydon Station at 9.45am. Bring Day Travelcard, Oyster or Freedom Pass. Entry to museum is free, café for coffee & lunch. Details: Jenny Muschamp 020 8686 8521 or David Gilbert 07906 503657.

Doreen Fletcher now lives in a nursing home in Kenley. She receives very few visitors and would love to see members of her church family. If any of you have the odd hour to spare and would like to visit Doreen then could you please contact Fr. Chris for details: christophermoore100@hotmail.com

Vincent Atigla is currently studying for a Mathematics Degree at Greenwich University and is available, at a very reasonable rate, to tutor Math's up to GCSE level. He has DBS clearance. Please speak to the Minster Office if you require Vincent's details.

Rachel Bayes asks:

'Would you like to make a great looking hats/scarf that you've knitted yourself **WITHOUT KNITTING NEEDLES** but **WITH a KNITTING LOOM**?' Great for giving as gifts, selling to raise funds for the church, sending to refugees or giving to the homeless.

Will Aid Month

Making a will is one of the most important things anyone can do. It is the way that we ensure our family and friends are provided for after our death and how we can also remember charities and good causes. This is Will Aid month when local participating solicitors will write your will for you without charging a fee in return for a donation of between £95 and £150 to a number of Will Aid charities, including Christian Aid, Age UK and the NSPCC. To find out more about Will Aid pick up a leaflet at the back of Church, or visit the website – www.willaid.org.uk

The Book 'Consumed by Fire' – by Brian Lancaster is available either from Ruth Dixon or the Minster Office – Priced £4.50

Croydon Churches Floating Shelter – We are once again looking for volunteers to help with the floating shelter. The FS is emergency provision for men and women with a Croydon Connection who have no other accommodation available to them. The shelter opens nightly for four months each year between 7:30pm and 8:00am. The shelter is provided in a different church venue in Croydon each night of the week. Croydon Minster takes its turn in 2017 on six consecutive Sundays from 19 February – 26 March. Please sign up at the back of church.

Wanted for after Christmas – A volunteer or volunteers to take on cleaning the church halls. Please speak to Denise in the Minster office if you feel capable of doing this for us.