

Please remember in your prayers:

+ Jon Blanchard	+ Betty Kimber
+ David Brown	+ 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
+ Lesley Dix	+ Annie Smith
+ Annet Fernandez	+ Vi Smith
+ Albie Hammond	+ Andrea Spalding
+ Doug Hampson	+ Robina Stephen
+ Susan Head	+ Sue Turnbull
+ Dawn Johnson	+ Sharon Wallace
+ Ishia Kabba	+ Elizabeth Williams

+ Our neighbours: St Mary's Roman Catholic Church

+ The soul of Beryl Cripps, resident of Whitgift House & mother of Hilary Edwards, WH's Finance Administrator

### Services this week

02 January – 07 January

Monday	12.00noon	Bank Holiday
Tuesday	12.00noon	Lection Divina
	1.10pm	Eucharist
Wednesday	11.00am	(BCP) Eucharist
Thursday	11.00am	Eucharist – Whitgift House
	2.00pm	Launch of Exhibition to 'Commemorate the Fire of 1867'
Friday	10.00am	Eucharist
Saturday	10.00am	Eucharist
	11.00am	Concert by Martin How & Tom Little 'Commemoration of the Fire' a new piece for Piano, Organ & Orator

### Next Sunday, 08 January 2017

Epiphany

08.00am	<b>No Eucharist</b>
09.50am	Crèche, Kingfishers & BDG resume
10.00am	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>
	Readings: <i>Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7,10-14; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12</i>
6.30pm	<b>Epiphany Carol Service</b>

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## MINSTER NEWS

Sunday 01 January 2017

New Year's Day

Naming & Circumcision of Jesus

08.00am **No Eucharist**

09.50am **No Crèche, Kingfishers or BDG**

10.00am **Parish Eucharist**

Celebrant: *Fr Lee Taylor*

Preacher: *Fr Lee Taylor*

Choir: *No Choir*

Hymns: **33, 39, 36, 29**

Setting: *Addington Service Shephard*

Reader: *Martin How*

Intercessor: *Denise Mead*

**Communion Hymn: 28**

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

**The Churchwardens & Ministry Team wish you a very Happy New Year**

**Tea & Coffee won't be served in the church hall after the 10.00am Service today – sorry**

*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.*

6.30pm **No Evensong today**

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

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

**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 December/January Magazine** is 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**

**We have good tidings to share.** The total amount received/pledged as we approach the end of the year is **£127,716**. In addition, because we have exceeded our half way fundraising target, we will shortly be receiving a very generous grant of £25,000 from the Reginald Arthur Baker Charitable Trust. We are enormously grateful for this very welcome boost to the Appeal, the total amount of which with the new grant will be **£152,716**. Thank you to each and every one of you who has contributed to this amazing achievement in just 18 months – we have 12 months of fundraising left to reach our target before the Organ is dismantled and taken away for restoration at the beginning of 2018. *Gail and Karen.*

**Food Bank** – we realise times are hard but we still need your 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.

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

**Wanted** – Just one more volunteer to take on cleaning the church halls on a once a month basis. Please speak to Denise in the Minster office if you feel able to do this for us.

**The Lions Club** has launched 'Message in a Bottle'. An idea to encourage people to keep basic personal and medical details in a common place where they can be located in an emergency.

**Saturday 7 January 11.00am** – Short Concert 'Commemoration of the Fire' that destroyed the original St John's building in January 1867 for Piano, Organ & Orator – all welcome. Retiring collection

**Monday 9 January 7.30pm** Mothers' Union New Year Social and Annual Meeting takes place at the Whitgift Almshouses. Please bring the usual food to share and I will organise the drinks. Looking forward to seeing you all there. Diana

**Thursday 19 January, 6.00pm – 8.30pm** Community Consultation. Anyone who would like to accompany *Fr Lee* & meet the development team and architects over proposed developments for Taberner House and Queens Gardens, please let him know and he will give you further details.

#### **Commemoration of the fire of 1867: A series of events from 5 – 15 January 2017**

**Thursday 5th January, 2-4pm:** launch of exhibition about the fire and the aftermath, on the actual date of the fire in 1867.

**Saturday 7 January, 11am:** Concert – a specially commissioned work on the fire, written and performed by Martin How (piano), with Tom Little (organ) and Paul Wilson (orator), plus a selection of additional songs.

**Saturday 14 January, 3pm:** Talk by Brian Lancaster, local historian and author of the recent publication on the fire which has been on sale at church.

**Sunday 15 January, 10am:** commemoration service with the Bishop of Croydon.

**Sunday 15 January 12.30pm:** international bring and share lunch – tickets will be on sale for this in the coming weeks.

**Saturday 28 January 2017, 2.00pm-4.00pm.** *Fr Chris* invites you all to attend an afternoon Tea Dance in the Church Hall (with sandwiches and cakes) to mark his departure. £5.00. You may pay on the door.

**Sunday 29 January 3pm-7.30pm** – Be a Boy Chorister for a Day. Further details from Ronny Krippner, Director of Music

**Croydon Churches Floating Shelter – Sundays 19 February – 26 March.** Many thanks to all who have volunteered to help with next year's Floating Shelter. We are still looking for male and female volunteers for the overnight shifts and we would be very grateful to anybody who felt they could offer themselves to this ministry. If interested, please email *Fr Chris* at [christophermoore100@hotmail.com](mailto:christophermoore100@hotmail.com)

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

**Remembering 1916** 'Life on the Western Front'. An exhibition at Whitgift School (extended until the end of April 2017)

**Help needed for the monthly delivery of 'The Bridge' Newspaper** to 10 Croydon churches. Details available from the Minster Office.