

Please remember in your prayers:

+ Cora Birch
+ Yvonne Butcher
+ Helen Clover
+ Matthew Cook
+ Val Coslett
+ Lesley Dix
+ John Downer
+ Annet Fernandez
+ Susan Head
+ Ruth How
+ Dawn Johnson
+ Ishia Kabba
+ Angela Kenney
+ Our neighbours: St Mary's Roman Catholic Church

+ Andrew Keogh
+ Patrick Lewis
+ Flo Liddle
+ Jennie Luchmun
+ Bernadette McElligott
+ Valerie Martlew
+ Mary & Finlon O'Neill
+ Mary Lou Sorenson
+ Andrea Spalding
+ Marjorie Stemerding
+ Robina Stephen
+ Paul Welch
+ Elizabeth Williams

+ The soul of Angela Jewell, mother-in-law of Carol Jewell (lay clerk in the choir)
+ The soul of Betty Kimber

+ Peter Stewart & Thora Ingvarsdottir married here yesterday

+ Shenay Walker being baptised here today

Services this week

22 May – 27 May

Monday	12.00noon	Eucharist
Tuesday	12.00noon	Lectio Divina
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong <i>Boys & Men</i>
	<i>Canticles:</i>	<i>Watson in E</i>
	<i>Anthem:</i>	<i>I will lift up mine eyes Walker</i>
Wednesday	11.00am	BCP Eucharist
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong <i>Girls & Men</i>
	<i>Canticles:</i>	<i>Evening Service Farrant</i>
	<i>Anthem:</i>	<i>Thy Perfect Love Rutter</i>
Thursday	8.00pm	Sung Eucharist for Ascension Day
Friday	10.00am	Eucharist
	1.10pm	Lunchtime Recital
Saturday	10.00am	Eucharist

Next Sunday, 28 May 2017

7th Sunday of Easter

08.00am	Eucharist
09.50am	Crèche meet in the small hall Kingfishers meet in the large hall BDG meet in the Vicar's Study
10.00am	Sung Eucharist
	<i>Readings: Acts 1:6-14; Psalm 68:1-10,33-36; 1 Peter 4:12-14;5:6-11; John 17:1-11</i>
6.30pm	Choral Evensong

Our Clergy are available to talk, they are:

Vicar:	Vacant	
Assoc. Vicar:	Revd Lee Taylor	020 3742 5842
Asst. Priest:	Revd Alan Bayes	07792 846452
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MINSTER NEWS

Sunday 21 May 2017

6th Sunday of Easter

08.00am Eucharist
Fr Lee Taylor

09.50am Crèche, Kingfishers & BDG meet

10.00am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant: *Fr Lee Taylor*

Preacher: *Fr Alan Bayes*

Choir: Girls & Adults

Hymns: **333, 348, 271, 377**

Setting: Missa Brevis Palestrina

Reader: *Karen Ip*

Intercessor: *Stephen Willmer*

Motet: How lovely are thy dwellings fair

Brahms

Voluntary: Fugue in E Minor ('The Wedge')
BWV 548 *JS Bach* (TL)

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

Retiring collection for the work of Christian Aid

Coffee, tea & squash are served in the church hall after the 10.00am Service

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.

12.00noon Holy Baptism *Fr Lee*

4.30pm Evening Prayer at Whitgift Almshouses *Gillian Perrins*

6.30pm Choral Evensong
Officiant: *Fr Alan Bayes*

Choir: Boys & Men

Hymns: **437, 456, 334**

Responses: *Leighton*

Psalm: *87*

Canticles: *Westminster Service Howells*

Anthem: *Evening Hymn Gardiner*

Voluntary: *Psalm Prelude No.2 Howells (JO)*

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 May Magazine is still available: £1.00.

The Church Times is available from the Minster Office. Price £2.20

The Bridge, Croydon Citizen & Heart Newspapers (all 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

We are delighted to share more good news in respect of the Organ Appeal. The total amount received/pledged now stands at **£218,586** so we really are in touching distance of our £250,000 target. Individual donations, some of which have been very generous, have continued to come in over the first 4 months of this year, but the main reason why our total has leapt up now is due to an injection of funding that we will be receiving soon from the Church Tenements Charity. As you may know, this is the Charity that provides annual funding to the Minster's Fabric Fund and the trustees decided this week to award funding of **£55,200** to the Minster to use for the Organ Appeal. We thank God for this windfall which has come to us at just the right moment to boost our Appeal. Gail and Karen.

Syria & Iraq Appeal – A big 'thank you' from Rachel Bayes for your help with the Samara Aid Appeal for all the generous donations and many thanks to the great team of packers including: Rosie, Tiffany, Ellie, Chris, Gordon, Lawrence, Sheila & Jim, Liz & Clarissa, Pam, Alan, Mary & friend, Anne, Jonathan, Karen & Frank & the Whitgift D of E Students. In all, we sent off 104 banana boxes & 10 black bags.

Food Bank – All donations very gratefully received especially: UHT milk, cooking oil, tinned meat/fish, ready meals, noodles, sugar etc. We are happy to receive cash donations to enable Denise to do an occasional shop when the Food Bank needs it.

For Mass Intentions, Visiting the sick (including Anointing) & **Confession**, please speak to *Father Lee*

A reminder from Canon John's Ackland's sermon last week. The 5 Things to Quit Right Now are:

1. Trying to please everyone.
2. Fearing change.
3. Living in the past.
4. Putting yourself down.
5. Overthinking.

Monday 22 May 7.30pm PCC Meeting – The first meeting of the new PCC will take place in the Church Hall Please bring your diaries to this meeting. Thank you.

Wednesday 24 May – Mothers' Union Meeting. We are visiting Coombe Wood to see the Rhododendrons and have tea. Please meet at the entrance to Coombe Wood at 2.30pm or speak to Diana Hemmings.

The Book 'Consumed by Fire' – by Brian Lancaster is available from Ruth Dixon – Priced £4.50.

Friday 26 May Lunchtime Recital at 1.10pm Piano Recital by Classis FM Award-Winning Pianist Seung Hye Park from Sutton High School – not to be missed!

Sunday 28 May, 3.00pm – Butterfly Service at Croydon University Hospital, St Barnabas Chapel. A service for parents to remember children they have loved, who have died – all welcome.

Thursday 1 June 10.45am & 2.45pm Roald Dahl's 'Little Red Riding Hood' Children's Central Library Tickets: LONDONMOZARTPLAYERS.COM

Saturday 10 June 10am-4pm – Croydon Episcopal Area Lay Conference at St Bede's School, Carlton Road, Redhill. £15 per person (includes refreshments). Group booking of 5 places for £50.00. Book online through: www.serve-enable-lead-2017.eventbrite.co.uk Details available from the Minster Office.

Thursday 15 June 7.30pm – The Sixteen Concert Help is needed with selling programmes, guiding people to their seats & serving refreshments. Names to Denise in the Minster Office please.

Saturday 17 & Sunday 18 June – Minster Flower Festival. This is also 'Croydon Open Gardens' weekend. We will need help with stewarding, serving refreshments, cakes to serve with the refreshments. Names to Pamela Hall (PCC Member & Lay Clerk in the choir) or Rebecca Paulraj (Kingfisher leader & girls' choir parent)

Wednesday 21 – Friday 23 June 7.30pm. Performances of the Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe at Whitgift School (Big School). Tickets £8, concessions £4 available from www.whitgift.co.uk/events

SAVE THE DATES: The Croydon Heritage Festival will run from **24 June–30 June** and as in previous years, the Minster will be running a number of activities through the week – details soon. However, for those of you who missed it, or who would love to hear it again, there will be a repeat performance of **MINSTER BLAZE** by Martin How, a piece commissioned to commemorate the fire of 1867 (150 years ago). Do come to this special event performed by Martin on piano & Tom Little at the organ: **Saturday 24 June at 4pm.**

Saturday 24 June – Festival of Arts at St George's, Waddon. Activities to include: Art, photography, small flower arrangements, handmade crafts, poetry and prose, mini saga's. A booking form for your entry is available at the back of church.

Sunday 25 June 10.00am – Confirmation. Children must be 11. Classes will start after Easter and a sign-up sheet will go up very soon.

Thursday 20 July 7.00pm – 50th Anniversary Service for St Christopher's Hospice at Southwark cathedral. Tickets are limited to two per household and are available from Southwark50@stchristophers.org.uk but you will need to send a SAE or you can write to: Southwark 50 Service, St Christopher's Hospice, 51-59 Lawrie Park Road, Sydenham SE26 6DZ.