

Please remember in your prayers:

+ Lara Brown + Margy Lewis
+ Helen Clover + Flo Liddle
+ Matthew Cook + Jennie Luchmu
+ Val Coslett + Sandy McRobbie
+ Jane Davey + Claire Murden
+ Margaret Dickens + Suzanne & Richard Osbourne
+ Lesley Dix + Jean Pikett
+ Annet Fernandez + Michael Robinson
+ Stella Fleming + Rosemary Smith
+ Betty Fry + Mary Lou Sorenson
+ Susan Head + Andrea Spalding
+ Pat Hulme + Marjorie Stemerding
+ Bert Hyett + Robina Stephen
+ Dawn Johnson + Paul Welch
+ Ishia Kabba + Inez Yankah
+ Angela Kenney
+ Our neighbours: St Mary's Roman Catholic Church

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MINSTER NEWS

Sunday 10 December 2017

2nd Sunday of Advent

08.00am Eucharist
Canon Arthur Quinn

09.50am Crèche, Kingfishers & BDG meet

10.00am Sung (All Age) Toy Eucharist
Celebrant: *Revd Alan Bayes*
Preacher: *Fr Lee Taylor*
Choir: Minster Consort

Hymns: **See order of service**

Setting: *Missa Dixit Hassler*

Reader: *Tom Willmer*

Intercessor: *Blue Door Group*

Motet: *Turn back o man Holst*

Voluntary: *Wachet auf ruft uns die Stimme (BWV 645) Bach (MS)*

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

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, could you please avoid dipping your fingers in, as this contaminates the wine. *Thank you*

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.

Retiring collection for Christmas Flowers in memory of our loved ones

Coffee, tea & squash will be served in the church hall after the Morning Service

4.30pm Evening Prayer at the Almshouses Sharon Wallace

6.30pm Town Carol Service
Choir: Full Choral Foundation

Services this week

11 December – 16 December

Monday	12.00noon	Eucharist
	7.00pm	Croydon High Sch. Carol Service
Tuesday	12.00noon	Lectio Divina (small hall)
	7.30pm	Trinity School Carol Service
Wednesday	10.45am	Old Palace School Carol Service
	7.30pm	Wilsons School Carol Service
Thursday	4.00pm	Whitgift Almshouse Carol Service
	7.30pm	Whitgift School Carol Service
Friday	10.00am	Eucharist
Saturday	10.00am	Eucharist

Next Sunday, 17 December 2017

3rd Sunday of Advent

08.00am Eucharist

09.50am Crèche, Kingfishers & BDG meet

10.00am Sung Eucharist
Isaiah 61:1-4,8-11; Psalm 126
1 Thes.5:16-24; John 1:6-8,19-28

6.30pm Carols by Candlelight (ticketed)

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
Asst. Priest:	Canon John Ackland	07831 516662
St George's	Mtr Pat Vowles	020 8688 7006

December / January magazine is available today – priced £1.00

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.

Food Bank – All donations are 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*.

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

CD: 'Tudor Choir' sung by the Whitgift Minster Choristers – Price £10.00, available from the Minster Office – ideal Christmas gift!

House to House Christmas Card Delivery – the roads in our parish are laid out on a table in the North cross Aisle for delivery this week – we would be very grateful for your help with this. *Many thanks*

A big thank you to Julie Beaumont and her family for running the Christmas Fair which raised £1475.78. and to all the stall holders who assisted her.

Saturday 16 December 'House of Reeves' are celebrating 150 years of trading with various celebrations throughout the day. They would be pleased to welcome member of the congregation over to their store.

Sunday 17 December 6.30pm – Carols by Candlelight Concert The Minster Choirs' traditional Christmas Concert with a wonderful selection of seasonal classics, featuring the amazing Salvation Army Band (Croydon Citadel). Tickets are £10.00 and are available from the Minster Office. All proceeds go towards the Minster Music.

Sunday 24 December (Christmas Eve) **10.00am** – we are short of a coffee team on this day. Volunteers to the Minster Office please.

Sunday 24 December (Christmas Eve) **5.00pm** – Crib Service. all children are invited to come along dressed as a shepherd, angel or king and join in the grand procession.

Sunday 24 December 11.30pm – Midnight Mass

Monday 25 December Christmas Day Services:
8.00am Eucharist
10.00am Sung Eucharist
12.00noon Eucharist at Whitgift Almshouses

Monday 22 January 2018 – Drug and Alcohol awareness training in St Mildred's Centre, 26 Bingham Road, <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/drug-and-alcohol-awareness-tickets-36904875476>

Floating Shelter Dates – 11 February – 25 March 2018 Once again we will do the Sunday nights/Monday mornings. The sign-up sheet is in the North Cross Aisle for volunteers to sign up to assist with this. Duties needed are: setting up / serving food / staying overnight / serving breakfast and clearing away & the weekly laundry. Your help with this is invaluable.

For sale: 3 x Halfords Roof Bar 'cycle racks' in serviceable condition. Donation to church funds. Contact Geoff Radford 07561 405801

Croydon Drop In – Counselling, Advocacy and Health Support for Young People (132 Church Street) need a representative from the Minster to be on their Management Committee. If anyone would like to do this please speak to Denise in the Minster Office so she can pass on your details.