

Parish of Luton, St Anne with St Christopher



Advent 3
14 December 2025

Church Addresses

St Anne's - Crawley Green Road, LU2 0QN - St Christopher's - Round Green, LU2 7NB

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Registered Charity Number: 1134772

A member of Inclusive Church <http://inclusive-church.org/>

Worship is in person and live streamed except where otherwise stated on Facebook

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9.15am - St Christopher's Church (in person only)

Sunday 14 December Holy Eucharist with Baptism

Sunday 21 December Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayer

Sunday 28 December Holy Eucharist

Sunday 4 January Holy Eucharist

11.15am St Anne's Church Service

Sunday 14 December Holy Eucharist

Sunday 21 December Holy Eucharist

Sunday 28 December Holy Eucharist

Sunday 4 January Holy Eucharist

Wednesday 10.30am St Christopher's Church Services (in person only)

Wed 17 December Carol Service

Wed 24 December Holy Eucharist

Wed 31 December No Service

Wed 7 January Holy Eucharist

Additional Service at St Anne's Church at 7.00pm

Wed 17 December Carol Service

Morning Prayer takes place on Zoom at 8.00am on Wednesdays and

Evening Prayer is held at 5.00pm a 5.00pm on Tuesdays. If you would like to join either service, please email revdannneluton@gmail.com to request the Zoom codes. There is a code for Morning Prayer and a separate one for Evening Prayer.

Prayer Times

For Morning or Evening prayer there is a Church of England website where you can join in: <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer>

Monthly Prayer Group

1st Monday of the month at 7.00pm in St Christopher's Church

This week we pray for:

Those who are unwell: HM King Charles III, Asher, Angela, Dianne, Liz, Ann, Margaret, Dolly, Madge, Grace, Gill, Peter, Bukie, Abby, Margaret, Angie, Maureen, Dave, Debra, Marcus

Those who receive their Communion at Home: Cynth, David, Gloria

Baptism: Seraphina Rose

Those who have died: -

Those whose anniversaries of death occur this week: Gerald Wilson, Christel Cowdray

Those who live in: Crawley Green Road

USPG (Partners in Global Mission) prayer cycle

We pray for the Christian Care Centre in Honiara and the women and children who find refuge there. May they experience safety, healing, and hope, and may the Sisters be strengthened in compassion and wisdom.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Living God's Love - Making new disciples: *For Christian Unions and other groups in schools*

Persecuted Church: Egypt

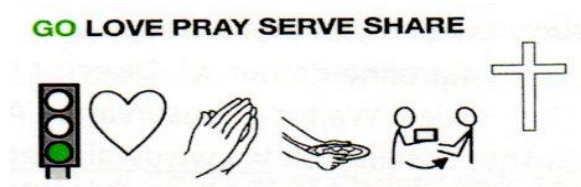
In light of Bishop Alan's retirement at the end of May, we are now in the process of discerning who will be called to serve as the next Bishop of St Albans.

Collect - Let us pray together.

Gracious God, we pray for our diocese as we take this journey of discernment for our new bishop. Open our hearts and minds to hear what your Spirit is saying to the church. Be with those who sense a call to this ministry, and with all those leading and serving us at this time. Living God, in this shared discernment, and always, draw us deeper into your love, that we may live it for your world. In the name, and for the sake of Christ, our Saviour. Amen

Parish Prayer for Mission

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the love and gifts you have poured upon us. Be among us today as we seek to serve you. Give us confidence and encouragement in all we do to share your love. May we walk always in the steps of Jesus. Help us to provide a warm welcome to all who long to know you. We pray that we may respond with a desire to share more of the love of Christ. Amen.



Notices

Please Note: Following the Service for Healing on 21st December the current sick list will be cleared. Anyone who wishes to remain on, or be added to, the list after that should contact Mthr Anne.

Possible New Bible Study to be held via a video call on WhatsApp.

Please contact Mthr Anne (on WhatsApp) to express an interest. A date and time will be agreed with those who express interest.

ADVENT COURSE 2025 - This year's Advent course is based around the themes of Advent that we encounter Sunday by Sunday in the lighting of the Advent Wreath. These sessions will be held on the following dates:

St. Anne's: **Monday afternoons @ 3pm:** 15th December

St. Christopher's: **Thursday evenings @ 7pm:** 18th December

In order for me to prepare the right amount of materials it would be really helpful if you could sign up on the sheets in both churches if you plan to attend; alternatively, email me at: readerstannechris@gmail.com Dianne Scott (Licensed Lay Reader)

Could you be the new PCC Secretary?

In the Church of England, PCC Secretaries are Officers appointed by the PCC.

Having served this role since September 2021, I recently advised the PCC that I would be stepping down at the next Annual Meeting. The parish is therefore looking for someone to work alongside me for the next few months with a view to seeking appointment to the post next April. This is a voluntary position and the main tasks involve: keeping & distributing minutes; electronically circulating paperwork/ correspondence to the PCC; preparing the Annual Report; reporting to the Charity Commission and attending meetings of the PCC and Finance and Standing Committee. Computer literacy and access to a computer is required for this post, together with up to date Safeguarding Training and DBS. I have really enjoyed this work and found it very rewarding. If you think you might be called to this position, please email me at readerstannechris@gmail.com to arrange a time to discuss it. Alternatively, have a word with Mthr Anne.

Peace Light Celebration 2025 – 'Peace in our Community'

7.30pm on Tuesday 16th December in All Saints Church, Shaftesbury Road, Luton.

Join with us to welcome the Peace Light which arrives here from Bethlehem.

The Peace light reminds us of the birth of the one we name as the Prince of Peace

Christmas Services 2025

Wed 17 th December	Carol Service 10.30am in St Christopher's Church
Wed 17 th December	Carol Service 7.00pm in St Anne's Church
Sun 21 st December	Blue Christmas 4.00pm in St Anne's Church
Wed 24 th December	Christingle, Carols, and Blessing of the Crib
Christmas Eve	4.00pm in St Christopher's Church
Wed 24 th December	Midnight Mass with blessing of the crib
Christmas Eve	11.30pm in St Anne's Church
Thur 25 th December	Christmas Holy Eucharist
Christmas Day	10.30am in St Christopher's Church

Forthcoming Meetings and Events

Saturday 17 January	Games Afternoon	St Anne's Church 2.00pm
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Regular Groups and Meetings

Tuesday (Weekly) Term Time only	Craft Group	St Anne's 10.00am until 12noon Contact Denise 07769754930 for more information
1 st Wednesday (Monthly)	Round Green Community Lunch (Suggested Contribution £2.50)	St Christopher's Church Hall 12.00noon - 2.00pm
2 nd Thursday (Monthly) Term Time only	Butty and Beyond (Voluntary donation)	St Anne's 10.00am - 12noon
2 nd Thursday (Monthly)	Parish Bible Study	St Christopher's Church Hall - 7.00pm Contact: readerstannechris@gmail.com
3 rd Thursday (Monthly)	Talking Elephants - a time for the bereaved to chat over coffee	St Anne's 10.00am until 11.30am Contact Revd Anne on 01582 850125 for more information
4 th Thursday (Monthly) Term Time only	Cake and Company	St Anne's 10.00am - 12noon
2 nd Saturday (Monthly) Not August	Scrapbooking and Crafts	St Anne's 10.00am - 4.00pm Contact Emma 07739 572765 for more information
4 th Saturday (Monthly) Not August or December	Stitch Along – a time to stitch and socialise	St Christopher's Church Hall 10.00am - 12noon Contact Ann 01582 512219 for more information

All dates and events subject to last minute cancellation or changes.

Please Note: For weeks when you can't get to church the pew sheet is available on
A Church Near You - Put in your post code and follow the links to either St Anne's or
 St Christopher's and look up News and **Notices**.