

# For our prayers this week

**Those who are ill or in need...** Ashleigh Anand, Felix Snell, Val Hancock.

Those who have died... Clare Gummett.

Anniversary of death... Phyllis Barrett (2016).

Link Parish of St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green, Zimbabwe.



THIS WEEK...

#### **SUNDAY 28 DECEMBER 2025**

# **CHRISTMAS 1**

We welcome the Reverend Stephen Crabtree to our morning Services

8am HOLY COMMUNION 10am PARISH EUCHARIST 6.30pm EVENSONG

## **WEDNESDAY 31 DECEMBER**

NO TODDLER GROUP - returning 14 Jan.

12 noon PRAYER GROUP

Church



# **NOTICES**

## The **PARISH OFFICE**

is closed from Friday 12 December until Friday 2 January.

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#### INTERCESSIONS

A couple more volunteers are needed to do the intercession prayers. Please speak to Tish or Lotwina.

#### **TRAIDCRAFT**

We really need help with ordering and stock taking of the Traidcraft Stall. We have volunteers to man it. Please speak to Tish or Lucy Christie if you are interested.

#### **FRIDAY GROUP**

are studying the letter of James.

Meeting fortnightly at Mair Rabagliati's and simultaneously on Zoom – alternate FRIDAY'S at 10am.

Everyone is welcome to join for lively discussion and coffee.

For further information contact

Lynda Coleman via the Parish office.

#### **TODDLER GROUP**

Wednesday's 9.15-11.15am, in the Hall - All welcome 0-5yrs. **Returning 14 January.**Suggested donation £3.

This months' edition of **THE BRIDGE** can be read and downloaded from: southwark.anglican.org/thebridge



NEXT WEEK...

**SUNDAY 04 JANUARY 2026** 

## THE EPIPHANY

We welcome the Reverend David Evans to our morning Services

8am HOLY COMMUNION 10am ALL AGE SERVICE 6.30pm EVENSONG

# **WEDNESDAY 07 JANUARY**

NO TODDLER GROUP - returning 14 Jan.

12 noon PRAYER GROUP





# This week's readings

#### A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, 'I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.' And again, 'I will put my trust in him.' And again, 'Here am I and the children whom God has given me.' Since the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Hebrews 2.10-18

# Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

After the wise men had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to loseph in a dream and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.' Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, 'Out of Egypt I have called my son.' When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah: 'A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they are no more.' When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to loseph in Egypt and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead.' Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, 'He will be called a Nazorean.'

Matthew 2.13-23



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# SUNDAY 28 DECEMBER 2025 CHRISTMAS 1

#### Collect

God in Trinity,
eternal unity of perfect love:
gather the nations to be on family,
and draw us into your holy life,
through the birth of Emmanuel,
our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen

## Post Communion

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home: help your Church to live as one family, united in love and obedience, and bring us all at last to our home in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

# **Green / World Prayer**

Heavenly Father, you exalted the humble and meek: give us humble and contrite hearts.

Lord Jesus, you grew towards birth in the Virgin's womb:

be planted also in our hearts and lives.

Holy Spirit, you overshadowed Mary, that she might become the God-bearer: fill us with your heavenly gifts. **Amen** 

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## 8am HOLY COMMUNION

#### 10am PARISH EUCHARIST

**Readings** Hebrews 2.10-end; Matthew 2.13-end **Hymns** 683, 4, 716, 428

# 6.30pm EVENSONG

**Readings** Isaiah 49.7-13; Luke 2.41-end **Hymns** 573, 318, 403 **Psalm** 132