



# The Parish of South Beddington & Roundshaw

## 4<sup>TH</sup> January 2026 – Epiphany

### Open Doors – Open Hearts – Open Minds

Check out our website: <http://tiny.cc/sbrparish>



**My brothers and sisters. Today we keep the Feast of Epiphany. During the liturgy the deacon will make the Epiphany Proclamation. I attach it here for your enjoyment, and for the noting of key dates (also marked on our provisional diary dates. There is one point to note – whilst Ascension falls on the Thursday evening – we will for this year once again keep on a Sunday morning to enable the majority of God’s people to mark together).**

Dear brothers and sisters, the glory of the Lord has shone upon us, and shall ever be manifest among us, until the day of his return. Through the rhythms of times and seasons let us celebrate the mysteries of salvation. Let us recall the year’s culmination, the Easter Triduum of the Lord: his last supper, his crucifixion, his burial, and his rising celebrated between the evening of the **2nd of April and the evening of the 5th of April**. Each Easter - as on each Sunday - the Holy Church makes present the great and saving deed by which Christ has for ever conquered sin and death. From Easter are reckoned all the days we keep holy. Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, will occur on the **18th of February**. The Ascension of the Lord will be commemorated on the **14th of May**. Pentecost, the joyful conclusion of the season of Easter, will be celebrated on the **24<sup>th</sup> of May**. Likewise, the pilgrim Church proclaims the Passover of Christ in the feasts of Mary, the holy Mother of God, in the feasts of the Apostles and Saints, and in the commemoration of the faithful departed. To Jesus Christ, who was, who is, and who is to come, Lord of time and history, be endless praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**During the service chalk will be blessed for the marking of the doorways of our homes and churches/workplaces. Please take a piece with you and at home take a few moments to mark your doorway. Here is a simple liturgy if you would like to use this as you do so:**

Peace be to this *place* and to all who enter here.

A reading from Proverbs: "By wisdom a house is built, and through understanding it is established; through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures."

Let us pray:

Gracious God, as a shining star once guided the magi to the birthplace of the infant Jesus, so enable those who dwell here to be your light in the world; through Jesus Christ we pray. **Amen.**

Then, using *chalk inscribe over/beside the doorway the inscription below. 20 + C + M + B + 25*

Please remember Services will be at **10 30** at **St Paul’s** on the **18<sup>th</sup>** and **25<sup>th</sup>** January whilst Panto is at St Michael’s.

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**Prayers this week:** For all who died or been sadly affected by the tragedy in Switzerland

And by name: Tom, Eamonn, Christine and Michelle, Sherry

**Year’s Mind:** 6<sup>th</sup> Dorothy Jearum

##### Dates for January

5<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> Mthr Berni on leave

Sun 11<sup>th</sup> Baptism of Christ

Sun 18<sup>th</sup> Parish Together Mass at St Paul’s at 10.30am

12<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> Jan Panto set up week at St Michael’s – Open Church/Foodbank

Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Panto at St Michael’s – everything except Foodbank on hold To Sat 24<sup>th</sup> Jan then Panto take down/clear through the following days

Sun 25<sup>th</sup> Jan Parish Together Mass at St Paul’s @10.30am with Springfield

Sat 31<sup>st</sup> Burns Night Sing Along/ Ceildh 6-7.30 @SPC

#### Messy Church in 2026 – do

you want to join us to plan for our new Parish Messy/Wild Church. We would love you to join with us as we visit others/do some online training/share and grow our ideas. **Fran and Juliet.**

#### St Paul’s Church

Next Sunday – Service of Word, 8.30

Midweek mass Wednesday 10 30

Thursday Club restarts this week 10.30-12.30

#### St Michael’s Church

Sunday Mass 10.30