



The Parish of South Beddington & Roundshaw

21st December 2025 – Advent 4

Open Doors – Open Hearts – Open Minds

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



A delight to have Mthr Tina back with us as preacher today as we celebrate Advent 4 and attune our hearts and our sights to the coming days.

Please remember to **share dates and times with friends, family and neighbours** for the coming days, remembering personal invitation always feels special: **Crib Service** 4pm on Christmas Eve, **Midnight Mass** 11.30pm and **All Age Mass on Christmas morning** 10.30 – all at St Michaels. There will also be an 8.30am **Christmas mass** at St Pauls for early birds - to which all are welcome.

For 60 years, **Sutton Befrienders has been a lifeline** for older people who are isolated, housebound or completely alone. For many, their weekly visit from a volunteer is the *only* human contact they have. But the service is now **at real risk of closing**. [Help us Crowdfund to save Sutton Befrienders](#)

A lovely short film to watch and share with family, friends, and neighbour's, especially those with little ones. <https://www.churchofengland.org/faith-life/what-we-believe/advent-and-christmas/grumpy-owl-and-joy-christmas>

Panto is Coming: Book your tickets and do invite neighbours, friends and family. A wonderful part of our common life bringing enrichment to us all! Speak to Paul or Julie if you would like to help with set up/clear up/preps/tidy between shows or in any other way – it's good to work together!

January Worship – for the last two weekends of January (17/25th) the whole parish move to St Paul whilst Panto is in situ at St Michaels. This year we will worship at 10.30 on both Sundays, with our friends at Springfield coming alongside for the St Paul's Patronal (25th). I hope everyone will make fresh travel plans to enable joining for worship on these two weekends.

Provisional Diary Dates for 2026 – we have prepared an initial list with dates of key services, some social and other bits of our common life. Please let Julie (and cc Mthr Berni) know of new dates/amends so we can keep the flow of our common life open to all, published in notices, added to website and maximise opportunity for support of one another and welcome to all.

Open Church at SMC – Thank you to everyone who has signed up for Open Church. You are welcome to join the "team" as a one of off or regularly.

Do you have messages to include in the weekly notices? From January, please email Julie directly with a few sentences – being clear how/where more information can be found. Mark the header of your email: **Weekly Notices. And ensure with her no later than Wednesday.**

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Prayers this week: For all who died or were wounded in Bondi beach and other hate related atrocities this past week, all who are oppressed or face injustice, are lonely or isolated/estranged from family, friends or God. Those struggling with loss and for whom Advent/ Christmas are particularly difficult. For the homeless and refugees, all in prison and their families. For the many sick in body, mind or spirit known to us and known only unto God. For all whom we love but see no more.

Prayer by name always our joy and our privilege – but for privacy only included when specifically asked/permission given:

- **Leslie Price**

Birthdays: Konrad Malin-Smith (21st)
Emily Price (21st) Craig Duncan (21st)
Jennie Nash (28th) Manuel Akowuah (28th)

Year's Mind: Glenys Seymour (22nd)

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

Christmas Day Mass at 8.30
Sunday Mass 8.30 and Wednesday 10.30
All drop ins/activities break
until week of 5th or 12th Jan (tbc next wk)

St Michael's Church

Tonight: Christmas Lessons & Carols 4pm
Crib Service – Christmas Eve 4pm
Midnight Mass 11.30pm Christmas Eve
Christmas morning mass 10.30