



**MITCHAM
PARISH CHURCH**
St Peter & St Paul



SUNDAY 12th JULY 2026

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.00am PARISH EUCHARIST

TUESDAY 14th JULY

**10.00am SAID EUCHARIST FOR THE
FESTIVAL OF JOHN KEBLE - OUR PARISH'S 'PATRON'**

followed by refreshments & "Open Church" until 12noon

SATURDAY 18th JULY 2026

12noon: Bishop Christopher's Valedictory Service
Southwark Cathedral

*Please join us as we give thanks for Bishop Christopher's ministry
and pray for him as he retires.
All welcome - no ticket needed.*

SUNDAY 19th JULY 2026

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.00am PARISH EUCHARIST

FATHER DAVID AND ANDREW'S FINAL SERVICE AT MITCHAM PARISH CHURCH

TUESDAY 21st JULY

10.00am SAID EUCHARIST

followed by refreshments & "Open Church" until 12noon

SUNDAY 26th JULY 2026

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.00am PARISH EUCHARIST

followed by Citizen's 'Be Well Hub'



SUNDAY'S READINGS

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit^[a] of life in Christ Jesus has set you^[b] free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin,^[c] he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit^[a] set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit^[a] is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit,^[b] since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit^[a] is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ^[c] from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through^[d] his Spirit that dwells in you.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Romans 8.1–11

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow, and as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!'

'Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23



FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Our prayer-partner Parish:

*St Katherine's Church, Kingsdale
in Matabeleland, Zimbabwe.*

For reconciliation and peace throughout the world

For those countries, world-wide,
affected by violence, war, discrimination,
prejudice or conflict, or by natural disaster.

For peacemakers, and all who work in the
emergency services and relief agencies.

Those who are sick or in need:

Sara Taylor, Margaret Kabatse, Carol Munn,
Edward, Philippa Courtenay, Mark Crickmore,
Jonathan Boardman (*priest*), Chris Smith,
Liz Cope, James Oporia-Ekwaro, Rebecca Frazier,
James Osborne, Elaine Biddiss, Chinwe Morah,
Barbara Eglen, Phyllis Knivett, Jesse Tomlinson,
Samantha Davis, Daniele, Elizabeth Ward,
Mary Quinn, Lisa Morris, Joliboy Coker,
Elizabeth Cheshire, Sarah, Mary Phillips,
Sukhi Kaur, Victor Attfield

**For all who mourn,
the unnamed who need our prayers,
and those in our Intercessions Book.**

The Departed:

- *those who have recently died, including:*

Diane Hyde, Rev'd Graham Thomas,
Edwin Onunkwo, Goodluck Nwachuku
Gill Coggins, Uche Ichu

Years' Mind:

*We remember all those whose Year's Mind
falls at this time:*

Joyce Pennells (14th), Ron Clarkson (14th)

*We give thanks for their lives, their love,
and their example.*

**✠ Rest eternal, grant them, O Lord;
and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

**Lord, in your mercy:
hear our prayer!**

THIS WEEK'S COLLECT

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those
who love you such good things
as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love
toward you that we, loving you in
all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ
your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

AMEN

A PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

Gracious God, fountain of all wisdom,
we pray for all Christian people;
for Bishop Christopher, as he prepares for his
retirement, and for all Christian leaders,
and for those who teach & guard the faith.
May the words of Christ dwell in our hearts,
and knit us together in the bond of your love.

Hear us, good Lord.

AMEN

We wish a very

**HAPPY
Birthday**

**Godwin Odum
Bamidele Afolabi**

and to all whose birthday
is today, or during this coming week!

Is your birthday coming up soon?

**Do let the Parish Office or
Clergy know, if you don't think
you are on our List!**

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If you would like to make a donation to Mitcham Parish Church, this QR code will take you straight to our SumUp giving system.



THANKS

To everyone who has worked so hard to prepare the Parish Centre for the 'Farewell BBQ'.

Thanks to all those who contributed food and their talents in any way to make it such a wonderful event

Thanks to all who came, and thanks to all who have left kind and generous messages for Fr David and Andrew.

HUGELY APPRECIATED!

FLOWERS IN CHURCH

The flowers we place in church (except during Advent & Lent) may be sponsored, in memory of a loved one, in thanksgiving, or for any other celebratory reason.

To sponsor the flowers please speak to Lin Matthews – Tel: 020 8646 3390



CHURCH STAFFING ROTA

If you are unable to do the dates given,
please let Fr David know –
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE on 020 8646 0666
**Thank you for being a team member
& helping our church run so smoothly!**

Sunday 12th July 10.00am

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Welcomers Barbara Jones
Deborah Douglas
Children Corner Margaret Danquah
Romans 8:1-11 Rachel Perera

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 Clergy
Intercessor Josie Dixie
Euch. Asst. Robert Willer
Refreshments Mavis Bennett
Patricia Benjamin
Val Hylton
Counters Kat Chandler
Alan Marega

Sunday 19th July 10.00am

Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Welcomers Sam Lyons
Alan Reece
Children Corner Amanda Calver
Romans 8:12-25 Carole Hornsby
Matt 13:24-30, 36-43 Clergy
Intercessor David Coggins (set)
Euch. Asst. Reuben-Zebidiah Willoughby
Refreshments Grace Morah
Esther Odum
Lydia Bonobana

[No Counting]

Sunday 26th July 10.00am

Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Welcomers Mercy Antwi
Grace Morah
Children Corner Doris Maduforo
Romans 8:26 - 39 Paul Carter
Matt 13:31-33, 44-52 Clergy
Intercessor Mary Coggins
Euch. Asst. Bamidele Afolabi
Refreshments Helena Vagnolini
Greg Vagnolini
Val Hylton
Counters David Coggins
Nneka Belonwu

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 14th July: **John Keble Day**
*Special refreshments after the
10.00am Service*

Sunday 19th July:

**Fr David & Andrew's final
Sunday Service here at the
Parish Church....**

VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY SOUGHT!

**We DESPERATELY need more church
members to commit to volunteering
on a regular 4-weekly cycle**

**[1] to be Welcomers
[2] to help serve tea and coffee, etc.
after the Service on a Sunday!**

**Rotas are set in advance, and can
accommodate absences –
which are not a problem – we just
need to spread the load!**

**PLEASE think about offering YOUR
service in this way – and be in touch
with Fr David – who is currently
finalising the rotas to hand over.**

Summer Holiday Treat Bags for Children



Wimbledon Foodbank is collecting snacks and treats to make up goody bags for local children to enjoy during the summer holiday.

Donations of the following items would be most welcome:

Crisps and Nuts Cereal Bars
Snack-size Dried Fruits Snack Pack Biscuits
Jellied / Boiled Sweets
Small Soft Drinks (CapriSun/ Cartons of Fruit Juice)

Multi-packs are ideal
Please note: no fizzy drinks

Items can be donated through the church, at any of our donation bins in supermarkets or directly to our warehouse at 77a Canterbury Road, Morden. Open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 10am to 12 noon.