



MITCHAM
PARISH CHURCH
St Peter & St Paul



SUNDAY 19th JULY 2026

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.00am PARISH EUCHARIST

FATHER DAVID & ANDREW'S FINAL SERVICE
HERE AT MITCHAM PARISH CHURCH

TUESDAY 21st JULY

10.00am SAID EUCHARIST

followed by refreshments & "Open Church" until 12noon

SUNDAY 26th JULY

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.00am PARISH EUCHARIST

followed by Citizen's 'Be Well Hub'

TUESDAY 28th JULY

10.00am SAID EUCHARIST

followed by refreshments & "Open Church" until 12noon

THURSDAY 30th JULY

1.30pm M U GAMES AFTERNOON

- in the Parish Centre

SUNDAY 2nd AUGUST

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.00am PARISH EUCHARIST



SUNDAY'S READINGS

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh – for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ – if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Romans 8.12–25

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: ‘The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, “Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?” He answered, “An enemy has done this.” The slaves said to him, “Then do you want us to go and gather them?” But he replied, “No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.”’ Then Jesus left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, ‘Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.’ He answered, ‘The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!’

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

Matthew 13.24–30, 36–43



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, Mark Crickmore, Rebecca Frazier,
Jonathan Boardman (*priest*), Sukhi Kaur

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

The Departed:

- those who have recently died, including:

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

Years' Mind:

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

Pam Allen (24th), Patrick Sullivan (24th)

*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!***

***A number of the names which have been
above have been moved to the Intercessions
Book – where they are always remembered.
If anybody becomes in ACUTE need of
prayer, please let the Churchwardens know.***

THIS WEEK'S COLLECT

**Generous God,
you give us gifts
and make them grow:
though our faith is small
as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing
of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ
our Lord.**

AMEN

A PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

Heavenly Father

**We give you thanks for
all who have contributed
to the life of this parish
over many hundreds of years.
Grant us confidence and courage to
go forward knowing we are working
to further your Kingdom.**

AMEN

We wish a very

**HAPPY
*Birthday***

**Doris Maduforo; Sandra Barry;
Jenny Coggins; Allison Etienne;
Alan Reece;**

**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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PARISH CONTACT DETAILS

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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 worked so hard to prepare the Parish Centre for the "Farewell BBQ" last Saturday.

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 to all who have left kind and generous messages for Fr David and Andrew: they have been very moved by the great generosity shown!

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.

THIS WEEK the flowers are given by Father David & Andrew in gratitude for the past eleven and a half years, & in fond memory of PHILIPPA COURTENAY.

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 the Churchwardens know –
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

**Thank you for being a team member
& helping our church run so smoothly!**

Sunday 19th July **10.00am** **Seventh Sunday after Trinity**

Welcomers	Sam Lyons Alan Reece Diana Burrows
Children Corner	Amanda Calver
<i>Romans 8:12-25</i>	Carole Hornsby
<i>Matt 13:24-30,36-43</i>	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
<i>Romans 8:26 - 39</i>	Paul Carter
<i>Matt 13:31-33, 44-52</i>	Clergy
Intercessor	Mary Coggins
Euch. Asst.	Bamidele Afolabi
Refreshments	Helena Vagnolini Greg Vagnolini Val Hylton
Counters	David Coggins Nneka Belonwu

Sunday 2nd August **10.00am** **Ninth Sunday after Trinity**

Welcomers	Barbara Jones Deborah Douglas Diana Burrows
Children Corner	Chiko Chamwaita
<i>Romans 9:1-5</i>	Barbara Jones
<i>Matthew 14:13-21</i>	Clergy
Intercessor	Josie Dixie
Euch. Asst.	Ebele Belonwu
Refreshments	Lydia Bonobana Val Hylton

[No Counting]

Sunday 9th August **10.00am** **Tenth Sunday after Trinity**

Welcomers	Sam Lyons Alan Reece
Children Corner	Val Hylton
<i>Romans 10:5-15</i>	Margaret Danquah
<i>Matt 14:22-33</i>	Clergy
Intercessor	Mary Coggins
Euch. Asst.	Robert Willer
Refreshments	Grace Morah Esther Odum
Counters	Carole Hornsby Alan Marega

Sunday 16th August **10.00am** **Eleventh Sunday after Trinity**

Welcomers	Mercy Antwi Grace Morah Natalie
Children Corner	Diana Burrows
<i>Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32</i>	Paul Carter
<i>Matt 15:10-28</i>	Clergy
Intercessor	Josie Dixie
Euch. Asst.	Reuben-Zebidiah Willoughby
Refreshments	Helena Vagnolini Greg Vagnolini

[No Counting]

Sunday 23rd August **10.00am** **Twelfth Sunday after Trinity**

Welcomers	Barbara Jones Deborah Douglas
Children Corner	Margaret Danquah
<i>Romans 12:1-8</i>	Rachel Perera
<i>Matthew 16:13-20</i>	Clergy
Intercessor	Mary Coggins
Euch. Asst.	Lin Matthews
Refreshments	Mavis Bennett Patricia Benjamin
Counters	David Coggins Lin Matthews

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.