Royston Parish Church

where all are welcome and God's love is shared

Sunday 9th November 2025 - Remembrance Sunday

If you would like regular copies of the Notice Sheet emailed to you please email the parish office at admin@roystonparishchurch.org.uk.

Sunday 9th No	vember			
09:30 - 10:30	Communion Service with music/choir, children's groups/toy area			
10:45 - 11:45	Remembrance Service at War Memorial			
15:30 - 17:00	Tea Time Praise			
Tuesday 11th N	ovember			
09:00 - 09:30	Morning Prayer (incorporating prayer requests that have been left in church)			
Wednesday 12t	h November			
11:00 - 11:25	Communion Service that is quiet and reflective, followed by refreshments			
13:00 - 15:30	Knit and Natter (where all are welcome to meet and chat)			
18:00 - 19:15	Chorister Practice			
18:30 - 20:00	Choir Practice			
Thursday 13th	November			
09:00 - 11:00	Tots in Church			
13:00 - 15:00	Church Cleaner			
18:00 - 19:30	Fabric Committee			
19:00 - 21:00	Bell Ringers Practice			
Friday 14th No	vember			
17:30 - 18:30	Cheese & Wine fundraising Set up			
19:00 - 21:30	Cheese & Wine fundraising for ACT			
Saturday 15th I	November			
10:00 - 11:30	Church Café (Tea / Coffee / Hot Chocolate only £2 - Free Biscuits)			
12:00 - 17:00	Royston Choral Society Concert set up			
18:00 - 23:00	Royston Choral Society Concert			
Sunday 16th No	ovember			
09:00 - 09:45	Communion Service that is quiet and reflective			
10:30 - 11:40	Communion Service with music/choir, children's groups/toy area, followed by refreshments			

If you wish to make a donation to the church, then please hold your phone's camera over this image then touch the link that appears:



We pray for all Christians worldwide:

For all Christians in Oceania

For all who are worship at Royston Catholic Church: Fr. Philip Knight

For the work of our mission partners: GenR8

We pray for the community of Royston:

For our local health centres

For all, who volunteer and attend The Barn.

We pray for our world and ECO projects:

Pray for leaders gathering for COP 30 taking place 10-21 Nov 2025, (Conference of the Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change) taking place in Belém, Brazil; we pray that policymakers may take meaningful action to tackle the climate Crisis.

We pray for the sick and suffering:

2nd November	9th November	16th November	23rd/30th November
Lee Cockerill	Chris Christou	Val Brown	Peter Coates
Pat Pritchard	Paul & Pat Tidey	Angie & Ken Rushall	Emma & Phil Heath
Harry Sime	Mike Brown	Paula Walker	Peter Foster
Maria Turi	Marion	Keith & Elaine Edwards	Gwen Simmons

We pray for those who have died in the faith of Christ:

Deceased Bereaved

We pray for those whose anniversaries fall at this time:

Alan Jones

UPCOMING EVENTS: There are a number of events coming up over the next few months to look forward to.

20th November 7 pm -Julian Prayer meeting at 11 Middle Drift

23rd November 5 pm - Evening Praise. An informal time of worship,. If you would like to take part of leading the singing or accompanying the songs, there will be **rehearsal at 3 pm.** Please contact andy.moorley@gmail.com for advance copies of

music.

11th December 7 pm -Julian Prayer meeting at 11 Middle Drift

9th February 2026 - The work of Guy Stagg, a local author , the event being done

by Bow Books

14th February - Church Quiz

18th April - Cheese and wine evening

2nd & 4th May - Book Fayre

19th June - Hymns and PIMM's

NOTICES

Christmas Jumper/Bauble Swap event: Please dig out your Christmas decorations early this year and give them a dust off and sort through. Royston Environmental Group will be in church with us on 28th and 29th November for their Christmas Jumper and Decoration swap. They will collect donations of seasonal clothing or tree decorations in advance or on the day. Simply exchange your donation for a swap token and take away something new to you. It may also be possible to "swap" something for a cash donation if you don't have anything to donate, depending on stock. If you fancy a different look this year, for yourself or for your tree, bring along your old seasonal clothing or tree decorations and swap them for something new to you. Make this Christmas green not white! You can swap decorations for socks, or a jumper for baubles. If you have donations of good quality, clean clothing or decorations you would like to have collected or drop off in advance, please contact chairman@roystonenvironmentalgroup.org.uk or 07968 006018 to arrange.

<u>HELP WANTED!</u> - The church will be open on Saturday 29th November for the switching on of our Christmas tree lights, with mulled wine and mince pies. If you're able to spare an hour to help serve refreshments, please sign up on the sheet at the back of church. Thanks in advance from the Events Committee

HELP NEEDED PLEASE: We have Christmas Tree bits to bring down from the attic in the vestry on Saturday 15th November from 10 am. Richard Marias is coordinating this, but would be very grateful for some extra hands to make it a lot easier. If you can offer this help please contact Richard on 07533 669100. Thank you.

<u>ALSO</u>: Chris is looking for helpers to dress the Christmas Tree starting from Saturday 22nd November to Friday 28th November., ready for the light up on Saturday 29th. If you available to help from Monday 24th until Friday morning please contact Joanne for more information and times. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE - We will be having a Christmas raffle to raise money for church funds, and need donations of goods that will be used to make a selection of luxury Christmas food and drink hampers. Items need to be well within date, as the raffle will be drawn in December. Please can donations be left in the kitchen before Saturday 22nd November, as that's when the hampers will be assembled. Thanks in advance from the Events committee. We are planning on 3 hampers for the raffle, so please help as much as you can, to bring items in before 22 November. Thank you

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS are now on sale. They'll be available after church services (with the exception of the Remembrance Sunday morning service), Saturday Coffee, and during events at the end of November. Tickets are £1 each, prizes include Christmas Hampers, and all proceeds go to church funds.

<u>MINCE PIES-</u> The Events committee is seeking donations of boxes of mince pies for events throughout Advent. Please make sure they have a good shelf life. They can be left in the kitchen. Many thanks.

<u>PUMPKIN SOUP:</u> Please return by Friday 28th November evening where the soup will be used to welcome visitors into the church. Thank you in anticipation!

IS CREATION CARE MISSION OR MISSION DRIFT? That is the theme for this year's London Institute for Contemporary Christianity's John Stott London Lecture. We have an online ticket to the event which will be shown at The Vicarage. It is taking place on Thursday 20th November at 7pm. Please email Steven if you would like to watch this lecture with him.

SHOEBOX APPEAL: A very big THANK YOU to all who supported this year's Shoebox Appeal. We have delivered 53 filled boxes to the Link-to-Hope charity, which will soon be on their way as Christmas gifts, with our love, to disadvantaged folk in Eastern Europe.

PARENT AND CARER CHRISTMAS CRAFT NIGHT: Royston Parish Church - Monday December 1st at 7.30 pm Christmas crafts to make, mince pies, mulled wine and

SUNDAY READING SHEET 9th November 2025 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

A Reading from Paul's second letter to the Thessalonians

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word. 2 Thessalonians 2: 1-5, 13-17

GOSPEL

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him and asked him a question, 'Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.' Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.'