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ST BARNABAS CHURCH NOTICES

SATURDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2025

PRAYER DURING THE DAY 10.00am

Psalm 9: Isaiah 29.15-end: Matthew 13.44-end

SUNDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2025 – 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

HOLY COMMUNION - 10.30am

Isaiah 11.1-10; Romans 15.4-13; Matthew 3.1-12

SUNDAY 14th DECEMBER - 3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

HOLY COMMUNION - 10.30am

Isaiah 35.1-10; James 5.7-10; Matthew 11.2-11

SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS & CAROLS - 4.00pm

Followed by a Christmas Tea

SATURDAY 20TH DECEMBER 2025

PRAYER DURING THE DAY 10.00am

Psalm 46; Zephaniah 3.14-end; Matthew 18.21-end

SUNDAY 21ST DECEMBER 2025 – 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

HOLY COMMUNION - 10.30am

Isaiah 7.10-16; Romans 1.1-7; Matthew 1.18-25

IMPORTANT NOTICE

CHURCH ROOF & OTHER WORKS

During the works, Sunday Services & Open Saturdays will continue as normal. Announcements will be given in Church as the where each 'Wednesday Walk In' will be held.

REGULAR SERVICES

Sundays: 10.30am Holy Communion

Saturdays: 10.00am Prayer during the Day (1st & 3rd Saturday of the month)

BIBLE STORIES FOR CHILDREN (with their parent/carers)

If you have a child with you, you can then join the group in the Church Halls at 10.30am whenever you come to church for a Sunday Morning Communion Service, except on 28th December 2025. A short story is read, followed by a related colouring or related activity which you help your child with. When there is a Communion Service, parents/carers return to church for Communion with their children

THE CHARITY OF THE MONTH FOR DECEMBER is CRISIS AT CHRISTMAS. Centres are open for nine days over Christmas providing food shelter and companionship to homeless people, many of whom come straight from freezing streets. Volunteers provide vital health checks, nourishing meals, learning opportunities, housing and job advice and, most importantly, for nine days a year, they have the chance to bring some warmth and kindness into people's lives. £29.80 can help fill that space at the table for just one person. PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY.

The Charity of the Month Box is now on the table as you come into Church.

A REQUEST HAS BEEN MADE TO SUPPORT OUR LOCAL WOMEN'S REFUGE AT CHRISTMAS

There are quite a few children at the Refuge at the moment. Below is a list of their ages and interests:

Girl 2½ Miss Rachel/ Hello kitty; Boy 4½ Cars

Boy 4½ Dinosaurs

Girl 7 Art and Craft

Girl 8 Art and Crafts

Girl 7 Girly/ dolls

Girl 8 Art and Craft

Girl 8 Art and Craft

Girl 10 Board games/ books 2 more girls 6 & 4 (no preferences known as new)

Additionally, the Refuge would like Christmas chocolate/biscuits etc., and toiletries for the ladies. Plus the usual £5 Sainsburys vouchers.

Please let Janice Clarke have any donations by SUNDAY 15TH DECEMBER or telephone her so she can arrange to pick them up so that gifts can be passed on to the refuge in good time for Christmas.

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ON FRIDAY, 5TH DECEMBER - 10.00am to 12 Noon, the MOTHERS' UNION will be holding a COFFEE MORNING with a GRAND CHRISTMAS RAFFLE at Janice Clarke's home at 7 Kings Lane, Sutton, SM1 4PB in aid of THE SAVING PROJECT IN UGANDA. Every penny raised will be doubled as part of the 'Big Give Christmas Challenge'. 1,200 participants in four dioceses in Uganda will form self managing groups where they will learn financial literacy and budgeting, small business entrepreneurship and climate resilient farming.

EVERYONE IS INVITED, not just Mothers' Union members, If you are not able to be there, please speak to Janice Clarke about buying raffle tickets instead.

WALK-IN WEDNESDAY - 10TH DECEMBER - 10.00am - 12 noon

Please listen to notices on Sunday to hear where the Walk In Wednesday group will meet due to the on-going roof works.

SUNDAY, 14TH DECEMBER at 4.00pm - NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS <u>followed by a Christmas Tea</u>. EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

MONDAY, 15TH DECEMBER at 11.30am – MOTHERS' UNION DIOCESAN ADVENT SERVICE in St. Mildred's Church, Addiscombe. Take a Tram to Beckenham Junction or Elmers End from West Croydon Station; alight at Addiscombe, then just a 5 minute walk.



FUNDRAISING FOR THE ROOF

If you are able to, please share the link https://gofund.me/c108b390 on social media to help spread the word so that it reaches those who are not members of our congregation but live in Sutton or have a connection with St Barnabas, etc., etc. and who may like to give a donation.