

Please remember in your prayers:

+ Baby Lara Brown + Angela Kenney
+ Helen Clover + Sonja Krippner
+ Matthew Cook + Margy Lewis
+ Val Coslett + Flo Liddle
+ Jane Davey + Jennie Luchmun
+ Margaret Dickens + Claire Murden
+ Lesley Dix + Rosemary Smith
+ Annet Fernandez + Mary Lou Sorenson
+ Stella Fleming + Andrea Spalding
+ Betty Fry + Margaret Spearing
+ Susan Head + Marjorie Stemerding
+ Pat Hulme + Robina Stephen
+ Bert Hyett + Donovan Taylor
+ Dawn Johnson + Paul Welch
+ *Our neighbours:* St Michael's & the Salvation Army

+ Matthew McCarthy, Grace Kwarteng, Roberta Scarffe & Camille Bradshaw being baptised here today.

+ The soul of Robert Vincent, one time Head of Music at Whitgift School
+ The soul of Pauline Pattison resident of Whitgift House

Debbie Miller thanks you for your prayers for her uncle Walter Jarvis whose health has improved

Services this week
20 November – 25 November

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| Monday | 12.00noon | Eucharist |
| | 2.30pm | Julian Group – Almshouses |
| Tuesday | 12.00noon | Lectio Divina (small hall) |
| | 5.30pm | Choral Evensong (Boys & Men) |
| | <i>Canticles:</i> | <i>Brewer in D</i> |
| | <i>Anthem:</i> | <i>A hymn for St Cecilia Howells</i> |
| Wednesday | 11.00am | BCP Eucharist |
| | 5.30pm | Choral Evensong (Girls) |
| | <i>Canticles:</i> | <i>Bairstow in E Flat</i> |
| | <i>Anthem:</i> | <i>Praise Dyson</i> |
| Thursday | 7.00pm | Choral Evensong (Men) |
| | <i>Canticles:</i> | <i>Wood in G</i> |
| | <i>Anthem:</i> | <i>Behold now praise the Lord Harris</i> |
| Friday | 10.00am | Eucharist |
| | 1.10pm | Lunchtime Recital |
| Saturday | 10.00am | Eucharist |

Next Sunday, 26 November 2017

Christ the King / Sunday next before Advent

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| 08.00am | Eucharist |
| 09.50am | Crèche, Kingfishers & BDG |
| 10.00am | Sung Eucharist <i>Ezekiel 34:11-16,20-24; Psalm 100;</i> <i>Ephesians 1:15-23; Matthew 25:31-46</i> |
| 6.30pm | Choral Evensong |

Our Clergy are available to talk, they are:

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| Vicar: | Vacant | |
| Assoc. Vicar: | Revd Lee Taylor | 020 3742 5842 |
| Asst. Priest: | Revd Alan Bayes | 07792 846452 |
| Asst. Priest: | Canon John Ackland | 07831 516662 |
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MINSTER NEWS

Sunday 19 November 2017

2nd Sunday before Advent

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| 08.00am | Eucharist <i>Fr Lee Taylor</i> |
| 09.50am | Crèche, Kingfishers & BDG meet |
| 10.00am | Sung Eucharist <i>Celebrant: Fr Lee Taylor</i> <i>Preacher: Canon John Ackland</i> <i>Choir: Girls & Adults</i> Hymns: 453, 407, 378, 379 Setting: Missa Brevis Dove Reader: Michael Robinson Intercessor: Diana Hemmings Motet: Like as the hart Howells Voluntary: Prelude & Fugue in C Minor <i>Mendelssohn (RK)</i> |

Children's Activity Bags for use with your child in the pew are available at the back of church. Please ask a Sides' Person for one and please return it to them at the end of the service.

In the interest of hygiene: If you wear lipstick, could you kindly blot your lips before taking communion, and, if you need to dip your wafer into the chalice, could you please avoid dipping your fingers in, as this contaminates the wine. *Thank you*

If you are new, please complete a 'Blue Welcome Card' which is available at the back of church. Please ask a sides' person for details.

Coffee, tea & squash will be served in the church hall after the Morning Service

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| 12.00noon | Baptism <i>Fr Lee Taylor</i> |
| 12.30pm | Baptism <i>Canon Colin Boswell</i> |
| 4.30pm | Evening Prayer at the Almshouses <i>Gillian Perrins</i> |
| 6.30pm | Choral Evensong <i>Officiant: Fr Lee Taylor</i> <i>Choir: Men & Boys</i> Hymns: 352, 245 Responses: Rose Psalms: 40 Canticles: Smart in B Flat Anthem: Hail gladdening light Wood Voluntary: Adagio from Sonata No 1 <i>Mendelssohn (MS)</i> |

The Oct/Nov Magazine is still available: Price £1.00. Deadline for articles for the December/January magazine is this Tuesday 21 November – to Rodney Vaughn please.

The Church Times is available from the Minster Office. Price £2.20.

The Bridge, Croydon Citizen & Heart Newspapers (all free) are available at the back of church.

Sponsorship of church flowers – Forms are available at the back of church. £25.00 buys one arrangement.

Food Bank – All donations are very gratefully received especially: UHT milk, cooking oil, tinned meat/fish, ready meals, noodles, sugar etc. We are happy to receive cash donations to enable Denise to do an occasional shop when the Food Bank needs it.

For Mass Intentions, Visiting the sick (including Anointing) & **Confession**, please speak to *Father Lee*.

Prayer List – if you have family members or friends on the prayer list, please can you keep Fr Lee or Denise updated as to their progress – many thanks.

Book: 'Consumed by Fire' – by *Brian Lancaster* is available from Ruth Dixon – Priced £4.50.

CD: 'Tudor Choir' sung by the Whitgift Minster Choristers – Price £10.00, available from the Minster Office – ideal Christmas gift!

November is Will Aid month – This November hundreds of solicitors will be taking part in Will Aid. Instead of charging their normal fee, they will ask only for a voluntary donation. The suggested donation for a single basic will is £95.00 and for a pair of mirrored wills £150.00. Don't miss out on getting your professionally drafted will. Will Aid appointments do get booked up quickly so please don't hesitate, find your local Will Aid Solicitor on the website 'solicitor' and make an appointment. "Will Aid Team" support@willaid.org.uk

Wednesday 22 November 2.30pm – Mothers' Union Meeting in Whitgift Almshouses, George Street. Mother Pat will lead us in an Advent Meditation in the Chapel. ALL WELCOME

Friday 24 November 1.10pm – Lunchtime Concert
Students from Old Palace School of John Whitgift will give our lunchtime concert. Concerts are free, but we do ask for donations to Minster Funds. Come with your lunch and enjoy 40 minutes of music & please bring your friends!

Today is the last day for Shoeboxes to be returned for the **'Samaritans Purse Shoe Box Appeal'**

Saturday 2 December 11am-2pm Christmas Fair.
Please spread the word to family and friends. It's a great opportunity for us to gather together to share soup lunches and refreshments as we enter the festive season. We urgently need donations for all of our stalls including; bric-a-brac; quality gifts; bottle tombola; raffle prizes; in fact anything you want to donate we can sell! We will also need plenty of cakes on the day too. If you would like to get involved please speak to Julie Beaumont. Thank you so much for supporting this annual event.

Sunday 3 December 11.30am – Kingfisher Meeting in the Vicar's Study to plan next term's schedule

Monday 22 January 2018 – Drug and Alcohol awareness training in St Mildred's Centre, 26 Bingham Road, <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/drug-and-alcohol-awareness-tickets-36904875476>

Floating Shelter Dates – 11 February – 25 March 2018 we will do the Sunday nights as we usually do. A sign-up sheet is in the North Cross Aisle for volunteers to sign up to assist with this. Duties needed are: setting up / serving food / staying overnight / serving breakfast and clearing away & the weekly laundry.

The Minster Junior School is looking for more volunteers to read with the children. If you are interested, could you sign up at the back of church and then collect information from either Rachel Bayes or Denise in the office about the DBS policy requisites. Thank you so much.

HOSTUK 2017 is a charity who gives welcome to international students in British homes for friendship & cultural exchange. They operate all year round but are particularly looking for hospitality over Christmas or New Year. Visit: www.host.org or email: info@hostuk.org more details are available from the Minster Office.

New Central Croydon School Pastor Initiative

A new central Croydon School Pastor Initiative has been launched to respond to a real need in our town. As the church, we have an amazing opportunity to serve our town and be a Christian presence in our town centre as children are making their way home from school. We would like to encourage your congregation to get involved. School Pastors are needed on either a Thursday or Friday term time afternoon from around 2.45pm-5.30pm, every week or every other week. Please contact Mark Rossell, chair of Croydon Street & School pastors at: croydon@schoolpastors.org.uk

Canon Andrew Nunn, the Dean of Southwark Cathedral will be 'sleeping out' at Southwark Cathedral for the 2017 Robes Project 'SleepOut' on Friday 24 November 2017. The comedian, musician and actor, Bill Bailey, joins renowned broadcaster Sandi Toksvig. Any sponsorship would be gratefully received. Please see Andrew's 'JustGiving' page.

For Sale – Vacuum Cleaner 'VAX Mach Air, lightweight, full size as new, unused on offer for the modest sum of £20 payable to church funds. Please see Denise & collect from the Minster Office.