

Please remember in your prayers:

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| + Heather Barker | + Pat Hulme |
| + David Brecknell | + Jennie Luchmun |
| + Lauren Bruce | + Jean Pikett |
| + Jane Davey | + Michael Randall |
| + Margaret Dickens | + Beverley Smith |
| + Charlie Ellacott | + Mary Lou Sorenson |
| + Annet Fernandez | + Andrea Spalding |
| + Sheila Foster | + Margaret Spearing |
| + Betty Fry | + Marjorie Stemerding |
| + Susan Grant | + Dawn Thesiger |
| + Susan Head | + Jean Wisbey |
- + *Our neighbours:* Christ Church, and the Bishop of Southwark's Lent Call weeks 4 & 5, focussing on Projects in Zimbabwe.

+ The soul of Kevin Simpson, Dulcie Carter's brother who passed away on Sunday 24 March

+ The soul of Peter Benham

<p>Services this week 8 April – 13 April 2019</p>
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Morning Prayer is said on weekdays at 9.00am

Monday	12.00noon	Eucharist
	7.30pm	Stations of the Cross & Eucharist
Tuesday	11.45am	Lectio Divina (small hall)
		No Choral Evensong
Wednesday	11.00am	BCP Eucharist
		No Choral Evensong
Thursday	11.00am	Eucharist – Whitgift House
Friday	10.00am	Eucharist
Saturday	10.00am	Eucharist

Next Sunday, 14 April 2019
Palm Sunday

08.00am	Eucharist
09.50am	No Crèche, Kingfishers & BDG
10.00am	Sung Eucharist with procession of palms. Meeting at St Andrew's Church, Southbridge Road
	<i>Readings: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Philippians 2:5-11; Passion of Luke</i>
6.30pm	Choral Evensong

<i>Our Clergy are available to talk, they are:</i>		
Priest-in-Charge:	Revd Canon Dr Andrew Bishop	07891 994069
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Asst. Priest:	Revd Alan Bayes	07792 846452
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MINSTER NEWS

Sunday 7 April 2019
5th Sunday of Lent

- 08.00am Eucharist**
Canon Arthur Quinn
- 09.50am No: Crèche, Kingfishers or BDG**
- 10.00am Sung Eucharist**
Celebrant *Canon John Ackland*
Preacher: *Fr Gareth Powell*
Choir: Girls & Adults
- Hymns:** **83, 82, 90, 286**
- Setting:** Communion Service in D Leighton
- Readers:** *OT: Karen Ip NT: Sue Kibler*
- Intercessor:** *Gail Winter*
- Motet:** *Litany Walton*
- Voluntary:** *Toccat & Fugue in D minor BWV 565 JS Bach (HE)*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:



Children's Activity Bags for use with your child in the pew & not in the children's corner, 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.

<p><i>If you are new, please complete a 'Blue Welcome Card'. Please ask a sides' person for details.</i></p>
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<p>Tea, coffee, squash & biscuits are served in the small hall today after the 10am service</p>
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- 11.30am Eucharist at Whitgift Almshouses**
Canon Andrew Bishop
- 12.30pm Lent Lunch** in the church hall
- 6.30pm Choral Evensong**
Officiant: *Canon Andrew Bishop*
Preacher: *Canon Andrew Bishop*
Choir: Boys & Men
- Hymns:** **391, 95, 84**
- Responses:** *Byrd*
- Psalms:** 35 v 1-9
- Canticles:** *Blair in B minor*
- Anthem:** *Bow down thine ear Philips*
- Voluntary:** *Ich ruf zu Dir BWV 639 JS Bach (TL)*

April/May Magazine is available – £1.00

Church Times is available from the Minster Office £2.40

The Bridge Newspaper is at the back of church.

The text of Fr Andrew's sermons are posted at his blog <https://canonandrewb.blogspot.com/>

Lectio Divina Tuesdays at 11.45am in the small hall

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

Bell Quarter Peal – Forms are available at the back of church (minimum donation £25.00)

Food Bank – All donations, including CASH, are very gratefully received.

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

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

Appeal for the Peal £26,000 is needed to service and update our bells! Online donations to the appeal can be made via the Minster website. So far, with Gift Aid, we are over £11,500.00 – thank you for your generosity.

Floating Shelter – A huge 'Thank you' to everyone who helped in any way to make our 6 weeks on the Croydon Churches Floating Shelter such a success. *Denise Mead*

THE CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL (ER) Every 6 years we have to complete a brand new Roll. This gives voting rights at the Annual Parish Meeting & opens up elected membership of the Parochial Church Council. The Church ER is not the same as the Local Council ER (which is where you can vote in local & national elections). *Denise Mead ER Officer*

APM Booklet – If you have been asked to write a Report for the Annual Parish Meeting Booklet please could you send it to Diana Hemmings as soon as possible. Thank you.

Last week choristers and singers from the Minster sang Choral Evensong at Westminster Abbey. The boys of the Whitgift chamber choir sang on Tuesday and our girls & adults on Friday. There was hearty and wide praise for them, and we are very proud of them all. Fr Andrew

Today 12.30pm – Lent Lunch in the church hall. A simple lunch of soup, bread & cheese. Proceeds to the Bishop of Southwark's Lent Appeal.

Next Sunday (14 April) is Palm Sunday. We will be starting our service in St Andrew's Church, Southbridge Road and processing along Old Town. Ideally we would like everyone to join the procession however please don't worry if you cannot walk that far, you are welcome to wait in church for the procession to reach here.

Next Sunday – Kingfishers / BDG Leaders meeting in the BDG Room after the 10am service.

Holy Week 15-20 April – Full details are in the Parish Magazine but will be issued in a hand-out next week.

Good Friday Walk of Witness and Re-enactment of the Crucifixion. WANTED: Singers, actors, people to push a cart carrying the body of "Jesus", a narrator, 'weeping women at the cross', carpenters to prepare the stage, strong people to take the staging into the Centre of

Croydon and bring it back & stewards to hand out leaflets. Please contact Toni Suffolk (Tel: 0208 654 9035 or 07786 935554) for rehearsals dates and times.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held in church on Sunday 28 April at 11.45am. Coffee will be served in church after the service prior to the Meeting. There are six vacancies on the Parochial Church Council. Elections for Churchwardens and PCC members are held at this meeting. You need to have been on the Electoral Roll for 6 months. Please sign up on the form under the Tower. More details from *Diana Hemmings*

Saturday 4th May 2019 The Dean & Chapter of Westminster Abbey with the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham will be hosting a day of celebration in honour of Our Lady of Walsingham. The programme will include: 11.00 am: Sung Eucharist; 2.00 pm: Lecture given by Eamon Duffy FBA, Emeritus Professor of the History of Christianity at the University of Cambridge; 3.00 pm: Devotions & Pilgrimage visits around the Abbey including the Shrine of Our Lady of Pew and the Shrine of S. Edward the Confessor; 5.00 pm: Solemn Evensong sung by the Abbey Choir. Entry to the Abbey for the festival is by free ticket only, but you must book in advance. For more details contact Fr Andrew or visit www.walsinghamanglican.org.uk

Quiet at St Mary's, Beddington Park – Thursdays 16 May & 20 June.

Saturday 18 May 9.30am-12.30pm – Safeguarding Training at St Matthew's, East Croydon. Please let me (Denise) know if you intend to attend so that I can let the Diocesan Safeguarding Team know. Otherwise you won't be registered or get a certificate.

Saturday 15 June – Parish Day. Please keep this date free. More details to come

Sunday 14 July – Organ Recital by Jonathan Vaughn.

Saturday 14 September 2019: 09.30–4.00pm
Croydon Episcopal Area Lay Conference St Bede's School, Carlton Road, Redhill.

Croydon MEACC Events....

Sunday 9 June 3.00-4.30pm Act of Worship 'Celebrating Diversity' followed by refreshments in the hall. Location St Jude and St Aidan – Thornton Heath. Please feel free to wear international / cultural attire).

Saturday 21 September 12.00noon-4.00pm
Croydon Celebrates Young People Day. (TBA).

GULLY CLEARING KIT available in the flower arrangers' corner which contains bags, gloves, broom etc. This will help keep the drains clear and prevent flooding. *Pamela*

Did you know that *John Langridge* has experience in purchasing Mobility Aids? Should you, or someone you know need help with this, John would be happy to advise with no cost for his services.

Help wanted with a university student's dissertation on Spirituality. For further details & the questionnaire please contact: Transpersonalexp@outlook.com