

Please remember in your prayers:

+ Heather Barker + Pat Hulme  
+ Derek Bullock + Blaiza Kedetche  
+ Marilyn Coverdale + Jean Phillips  
+ Jane Davey + Jean Pikett  
+ Margaret Dickens + Michael Randall  
+ Charlie Ellacott + Denis Rigden  
+ Annet Fernandez + Mary Lou Stenson  
+ Betty Fry + Marjorie Stemerding  
+ Lynn Hill + Jean Wisbey  
+ Our neighbours: St Mary's RC Church

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# MINSTER NEWS

Sunday 12 May 2019

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

### The start of Christian Aid Week

**08.00am Eucharist**  
*Canon Andrew Bishop*

**09.50am Crèche, Kingfishers & BDG meet**

**10.00am Sung Eucharist**  
**Celebrant:** *Fr Alan Bayes*  
**Preacher:** *Canon John Ackland*  
*Choir: Boys & Men*

**Hymns:** **117, 303, 296, 115**  
**Setting:** *Stanford in C*  
**Reader:** *Frances Samarajwa*  
**Intercessor:** *Sue Williams*  
**Motet:** *Prayer of St Augustine How*  
**Voluntary:** *Menuet gothique Boëllmann*

*Fr Gareth is sub-deaconing at St Andrew's this morning.*

**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.

**If you are new, please complete a 'Blue Welcome Card'. Please ask a sides' person for details.**

**Tea, coffee, squash & biscuits will be served in church hall after the 10am service**

**4.30pm Evening Prayer at Whitgift Almshouses** *Sharon Wallace*

**6.30pm Choral Evensong**  
**Officiant:** *Revd Alan Bayes*  
**Preacher:** *Canon Andrew Bishop*  
*Choir: Girls & Adults*

**Hymns:** **113, 118, 124**  
**Responses:** *Reading*  
**Psalm:** **113**  
**Canticles:** *Dyson in D*  
**Anthem:** *Faire is the heaven Harris*  
**Voluntary:** *May Song How*

**Retiring collections for the work of Christian Aid – please give generously**

## Services this week

13 May – 18 May 2019

### Morning Prayer is said on weekdays at 9.00am

Monday	12.00noon	Eucharist
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong – sung by Old Palace of JW School Choir
Tuesday	11.45am	Lectio Divina
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong (Boys & Men)
		<i>Canticles: Fifth Service Tomkins</i>
		<i>Anthem: O quam gloriosum Victoria</i>
Wednesday	11.00am	BCP Eucharist
	4.30pm	Evensong – Whitgift House
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong (Girls)
		<i>Canticles: Archer in C</i>
		<i>Anthem: Ave Maria Martin</i>
Thursday	10.30am	Eucharist – Whitgift Almshouses
	7.00pm	Choral Evensong (Men)
		<i>Canticles: Secundi Toni Lassus</i>
		<i>Anthem: Gloria tibi, Domine Byrd</i>
Friday	10.00am	Eucharist
	1.10pm	Lunchtime Recital
Saturday	9.30am	Safeguarding Training at St Matthew's Croydon (for those who signed up)
	10.00am	Eucharist

### Next Sunday, 19 May 2019

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

**08.00am Eucharist**

**09.50am Crèche, Kingfishers & BDG meet**

**10.00am Sung Eucharist**  
*Acts 11:1-18; Psalm 148;*  
*Readings: Revelation 21:1-6; John 13:31-35*

**6.30pm Choral Evensong**

*Our Clergy are available to talk, they are:*

Priest-in-Charge:	Revd Canon Dr Andrew Bishop	07891 994069
Asst. Priest:	Revd Gareth Powell	07917 624177
Asst. Priest:	Revd Alan Bayes	07792 846452
Asst. Priest:	Canon John Ackland	07831 516662
St George's	Mtr Patricia Vowles	020 8688 7006

**April/May Magazine** is still available – £1.00

**Church Times** is available from the Minster Office £2.50

**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 have raised £12,600.00 – thank you for your generosity.

**Thank you!** to all of you for the lovely framed prints of the church and for the flowers, and for all your kind words as I stepped down as Churchwarden at the APM; I wish my successor Arlene all the very best as she takes on the role. I'm still around and will continue to support the Minster. Love to all from *Karen Ip*.

**Questionnaire** Thank you to all 105 respondents to the questionnaire that was available on Sundays 28 April and 7 May. This was an excellent completion rate and a first look through the responses were fascinating and heartening. This helps us prepare for the forthcoming Vision Day on Saturday 15th June (SAVE THE DATE). This will be a further opportunity to engage with where we're going as a church. The questionnaire responses will feed in to the Vision Day when, together, we can draw together all our hopes and aspirations for mission and ministry at the Minster.  
*Fr Andrew*

**The Dialogue Society**, invites us to a Ramadan Fast-Breaking Dinner. Theme "Unity within Diversity" this **Thursday 16 May at 7.30pm** in the church hall. Please fill in this link [www.rebrand.ly/croydon](http://www.rebrand.ly/croydon) to confirm your attendance, or for further information. If you are able to join them please advise them of any dietary requirements.  
*Fr Alan*

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

**Friday 17 May Lunchtime Recital at 1.10pm** This week we feature Syeung Hye Park (piano). Bring your lunch and relax for 40 minutes of musical bliss!

**Saturday 15 June – Vision Day** Everyone who worships at the Minster is invited to the Vision Day from 1000-1400 ending with a Bring and Share lunch. We hope the food will reflect the many different cultures and cuisines represented in our church. More details are on the invitations that being distributed. To sign up to come please email [croydonminster@gmail.com](mailto:croydonminster@gmail.com), call 020 8688 8104 or drop a note to Denise Mead at the Parish Office.

*Fr Andrew*

## **A Prayer for Our Vision Day**

Almighty God,  
throughout the ages  
you have blessed our church  
with your presence and love:  
Help us to cherish  
all that you are doing in our midst,  
that as young and old, women and men,  
we may embrace your future with hope,  
serve our parish  
and sing your praises  
now, and to all eternity.  
Through Jesus Christ,  
our risen and ascended Lord.  
Amen.

**PCC** The first meeting of the new Parochial Church Council took place last Tuesday. It was a positive meeting and covered a lot of ground. The meeting began with the Eucharist, asking the Holy Spirit to guide our deliberations. We discussed the process of Mission Action Planning and how we will take on the ideas and energy of the Vision Day (15th June). We also had a realistic talk about the Minster's finances and looking afresh at our stewardship and giving. Please pray for all the members of the PCC.  
*Fr Andrew*

**Thursday 30th May Ascension Day** is one of the major feasts of the Church coming 40 days after Easter and signals the start of a time of prayer before the Day of Pentecost. Please do endeavour to come to the Sung Eucharist at 8pm on that day, joining with our church's candidates for Confirmation.  
*Fr Andrew*

**Patronal Festival Weekend** – Sat 22 & Sun 23 June. Flower Festival (all weekend) Saturday 10am-3pm – Summer Fair & 4.00pm – Martin How: "Music is Life" a musical and autobiographical presentation on what has influenced his life and musical career.

**Sunday 14 July 4.30pm** – Organ Recital by Jonathan Vaughn

**Have you got 10 minutes?** Could you help us keep the path around the side of the church clear of litter and leaves? There is a GULLY CLEANING KIT in the flower arrangers' corner which contains bags, gloves, broom etc.; and if the church is open, you can just pop in to use them.

*giftaid it* If you are thinking of putting an offering in the collection today, would you consider GiftAiding it? It increases your gift by 25% at no cost to you. If you are a UK taxpayer, please put your offering in one of the envelopes provided and fill in your details.  
*Thank you!!*