



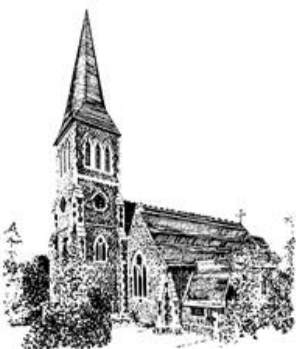
**SUTTON TEAM
MINISTRY**



ST BARNABAS, SUTTON
St BARNABAS
St Barnabas Road
Sutton SM1 4NP



CHRIST CHURCH
Christchurch Park
Sutton SM2 5TN



St NICHOLAS
St Nicholas Way
Sutton SM1 1ST

NOTICE SHEET

Sunday 18th December 2016

Advent 4 – Mary

Team Rector: **Revd Justine Middlemiss** 020 8642 3499 - rector@suttonteamministry.org
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**Welcome to all who gather in our churches today.
Please ask one of the welcomers if you are unsure of
anything or would like assistance.**

We have gluten free communion wafers available in all of our churches. If you would like to receive a gluten free wafer at Communion, please let the clergy know before the start of the service. We do not currently have non-alcoholic wine available. If this would be helpful for you, please speak to the clergy.

Worship today:

- 8.00am BCP Communion at Christ Church
- 9.00am BCP Communion at St Nicholas
- 10.30am Morning Praise at Christ Church
- 10.30am Morning Worship with Communion at St Nicholas
- 10.30am Communion at St Barnabas
- 4.00pm **'Blue Christmas' Service at St Nicholas**
- 6.30pm **Team Carol Service at Christ Church**

Worship this week

- Monday 8.30am Morning Prayer at Christ Church
- Tuesday 8.30am Morning Prayer at Christ Church
- Wednesday 8.00pm **Advent Meditations at Christ Church**
- Thursday 10.00am Mattins at St Nicholas
- Saturday Christmas Eve - see section inside noticesheet**

Sunday 25th December – Christmas Day

- 10.30am All Age Communion at Christ Church
- 10.30am Family Communion at St Nicholas

LECTIONARY READINGS

This Week: **Advent 4 - Mary:** Isaiah 7:10-16; Romans 1:1-7; Luke 1:26-28
Please note that these readings may be changed for special and different services.

CHURCHES OPEN

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| Tuesday: Christ Church | 9.00am-11.00am (during term time) |
| Thursday: St Nicholas | 10.00am-2.00pm (weekly) |
| Saturday: St Barnabas | 9.00am-3.00pm (1 st & 3 rd Saturdays) |

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL NOTICES FOR THE NOTICESHEET SHOULD BE EMAILED, BY NOON ON TUESDAY EACH WEEK, TO: suttonteam23646@gmail.com. The next noticesheet will cover two weeks: Sundays 25th and 1st.

CHRIST CHURCH

New Year's Day Lunch: At 12.15pm in Christ Church Community Hall, following the morning service.

Please confirm your place with Nigel by the Carol Service.

We would appreciate a donation to cover the costs.

Christingle Making: Will take place in the hall at Christ Church from 9.30am onwards on 23rd December. Hot and cold drinks along with mince pies will be available during the morning, please join us.

Key audit: If you received a form for the key audit that is being carried out could you please let **Jean Carver** have it back ASAP. If you hold keys to the church and don't have a form please ask for one from Jean. Please note that we are required by our insurers to maintain an accurate record of keyholders.

Bluebirds: We return in the New Year on 9th January 2017. Anyone (parent, grandparent, nanny or childminder) caring for children age 3 and under is very welcome to come to Bluebirds. It's a chance to meet new people and for the children to make new friends while they're having fun playing. Do contact Denise: 0208 642 8957 if you'd like more details.

St NICHOLAS

Making Christingles: We will be making the Christingles from 11am on Thursday, 22 December. Please come along and lend a hand. The Christingle Service is at 3.30pm on Christmas Eve.

Floodlighting: If you would like to sponsor the floodlighting of the church for a week or more during 2017, please speak with Richard West.

Charity of the Month: Our charity throughout December is The Children's Society.

Prayer List: to include someone on the prayer list please ask their permission first. Then send the request to suttonteam23646@gmail.com by Tuesday. Please note that Clergy/SPAs/Staff will not be able to answer questions about people on the prayer list. *In our prayers this week: Jason. Rihanna.*

St BARNABAS

New Year's Day Lunch: At 12.15pm in Christ Church Community Hall, following the morning service.

Please confirm your place with Nigel by the Carol Service.

We would appreciate a donation to cover the costs.

CHRISTMAS CARDS: Boxes for Christmas cards to be exchanged between members of the congregation are now in Church. Please check the boxes each week. THERE IS NO DELIVERY SERVICE so please do not leave cards for people unless you are reasonably certain that they are at Church today or will be coming to Church on Christmas Eve for the Children's Nativity Service or the Midnight Communion Service

THE 5 O'CLOCK CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE NATIVITY SERVICE: At St Barnabas will once again this year include some 'Wriggly Nativity' songs as a part of the service. St Barnabas 'Wriggly Nativity' tells the Christmas Story. Everything is easy to learn and the narration between the songs is brief. Children, or even adults, who would like to take part in the 'Wriggly Nativity' part of the service should come along to the church at 3.00pm on Christmas Eve and join in. They can wear their own Nativity costume (e.g. angel or shepherd) or can be dressed in a St Barnabas' one.

So, if you have children or children staying with you at Christmas, why not bring them along at 3.00pm to join in with a rehearsal, or just before 5.00pm for the actual service. Everyone else between the ages of 0 and 100+, please come along at 5.00pm to enjoy a lovely Christmassy service.

Please speak to Eleanor Holley (telephone: 07793 988396) if you are interested or would like to know more.

TODAY IS THE LAST SUNDAY to make a donation for **THIS MONTH'S CHARITY OF THE MONTH** which is "**CRISIS AT CHRISTMAS**". Centres are open to homeless people, many of whom come straight from freezing streets, for nine days over Christmas providing food, shelter, companionship. 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.

SO FAR ONLY ENOUGH MONEY FOR ONE PLACE AT THE TABLE HAS BEEN GIVEN. EACH PLACE COSTS £22.32. TODAY IS THE LAST SUNDAY. The "Charity of the Month" Box is at the back of the Church. If you wish to "Gift Aid" your donation, please use one of the pink labelled envelopes by the Box.

NEXT SUNDAY is CHRISTMAS DAY: The 10.30 am service will be held at **CHRIST CHURCH**.

THE FOLLOWING SUNDAY is NEW YEAR'S DAY: There will be no service at St Barnabas that morning. Instead, there will be a joint service with Christ Church at Christ Church at 10.30am to which all St Barnabas' Congregation is invited.

FOLLOWING THE JOINT SERVICE AT CHRIST CHURCH on NEW YEAR'S DAY, there will be a **LUNCH** in Christ Church Hall, again to which all St Barnabas' Congregation is invited. However, for catering purposes, tickets must be ordered today either from Jean Carver at tonight's Team Carol Service at Christ Church or from Humphrey Clarke this morning. There is no charge for tickets but donations to cover the cost of the food would be appreciated on the day.

Advent and Christmas

Advent Meditations at Christ Church: Wednesday: December 21st at 8.00pm.

Christmas Eve:

3.30pm Christingle at St Nicholas

5.00pm Wriggly Nativity at St Barnabas

6.00pm Christingle at Christ Church

11.30pm Midnight Mass at St Barnabas

11.30pm Midnight Mass at St Nicholas

Christmas Day:

10.30am All Age Communion at Christ Church

10.30am Family Communion at St Nicholas