



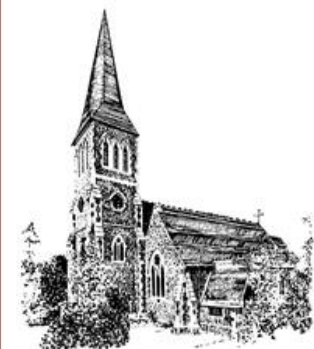
**SUTTON TEAM
MINISTRY**



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 19th November 2017

Second before Advent

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 Worship at Christ Church
10.30am Holy Communion Service at St Nicholas
10.30am Holy Communion Service at St Barnabas
6.30pm LEP Service at Trinity Church

Worship this week

Thursday 10.00am Mattins at St Nicholas

Sunday 26th November – Christ the King

8.00am BCP Communion at Christ Church
9.00am BCP Communion at St Nicholas
10.30am Patronal Service with Communion at Christ Church
10.30am Holy Communion Service at St Nicholas
10.30am Christingle and Church Parade at St Barnabas
6.30pm LEP Service at Trinity Church

LECTIONARY READINGS

This Week: *2nd before Advent: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30*
Next Week: *Christ the King: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Ephesians 1:15-23; Matthew 25:31-46*
Please note that these readings may be changed for special and different services.

CHURCHES OPEN

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.

NEWS / WHAT'S ON: FOR ALL TEAM CHURCHES

Advent prayer diary: I'm going to produce another prayer diary so that we can pray daily throughout Advent- for our churches, Christmas events, and our mission more broadly. Please email me (Vicar@Suttonteamministry.org) with any events, services or situations in Sutton that we might pray for. Examples of this might be a pre-school nativity in one of our churches, street pastor sessions, Christmas carols at a care home, or anything else. I can't promise to fit everything in, but the more 'prayer fuel' the better. I look forward to hearing from you. Phil

Christmas Tree Festival @ St Barnabas: Friday 8th December - 6 pm to 8 pm. Opening Gala.

Join us for mulled wine, mince pies and Christmas cheer. This is the big switch on for all of the Christmas Trees that make up the festival. Come along, make new friends and show your support for the different community groups that have worked so hard to create this beautiful event.

There will be live music, handbell ringing and tasty seasonal refreshments.

Sutton Foodbank: The Sutton Foodbank urgently need volunteers to help with meeting and greeting vulnerable clients and also an occasional driver to collect food 8 times a year. If you can help, please contact Admin@suttoncommunityworks.org.

Impromptu's 25th Anniversary Concert December 2nd: Now's your chance to start planning your Christmas Diary.....starting with Impromptu's 25th Anniversary Concert! Impromptu will be performing their 25th Anniversary Concert on Dec 2nd at St Paul's Church, Northey Avenue, Cheam SM2 7HS We enjoyed great success at the Bournemouth Music Festival 2016 being awarded with three trophies including overall Choir of the Year..... and also received outstanding awards at the Mrs Sunderland Festival at Huddersfield in 2017. The choir have been singing in Sutton for over two decades now and have also been broadcast on BBC Radio 3. Come along and enjoy an entertaining evening with audience participation of carols, scrumptious refreshments and a charity collection on behalf of Battens Disease and Teenage Cancer Research at the Royal Marsden. All welcome. Tickets can be ordered at impromptutickets16@gmail.com or by ringing Amanda on 07763931514 £12/£10 concessions, £5 children. Prices include refreshments. More info. www.impromptu.org.uk

St BARNABAS (www.stbarnabas.suttonteam.org.uk)

THIS TUESDAY, 21st NOVEMBER: THE ST BARNABAS MOTHERS' UNION meeting will be held in Gracewell Residential Care Home, 123 Westmead Road at 2.30pm for "An afternoon of our Favourite Hymns". We will meet outside St Barnabas Church at 2.00pm so we can walk to the Home and all arrive together. There is street parking close to the Home for those who are not able to walk. Christine Bond, a Mothers' Union pianist who already regularly plays in homes for people with dementia and Parkinson's disease will be accompany the singing. All the words will be provided and we will help the residents follow the hymns. **There will also be tea, sandwiches and cake. Everyone in St Barnabas is invited whether a Mothers' Union member or not. To assist with catering arrangements, please advise Janice or Humphrey Clarke today.** Also, if anyone has any spare baubles or other decorations for the St Barnabas Mothers' Union Christmas Tree for the Christmas Tree Festival, please bring them on Tuesday.

NEXT SUNDAY, 26th NOVEMBER the 10.30am SERVICE AT ST BARNABAS will be a CHRISTINGLE SERVICE. Please bring an orange with you to make a Christingle to take home. The collection taken during the service will be given to The Children's Society which helps vulnerable children across the country.

The 5 o'clock Children's Christmas Eve Nativity Service at St Barnabas on SUNDAY 24th DECEMBER 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 (i.e. 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.

THE CHARITY OF THE MONTH for NOVEMBER is "SUTTON ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY" which provides a Dementia Support Service which includes information and support through telephone support, home visits and support to enable social engagement for people with dementia and their carers, as well as signposting to other local services. It also raises awareness and understanding of dementia in the community and provides a meeting place for people with dementia, carers and other family members. The "Charity of the Month" Box is on the long table 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.

Operation Christmas Child: Very many thanks to everybody who contributed so that we were able to send over 40 boxes of presents for children in other countries who would otherwise have nothing at Christmas.

Rota for December: The draft rota for December is now available at the back of church. Please amend if necessary as usual. A separate rota is available for the services on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Please fill in your name for any duties you can undertake on these days. Even if you are not normally on the rota, but can help out at any of the services, please still fill in your name. Many thanks for your help.

St Nicholas Mothers Union: Dates for your diary: **Thursday, 23 November:** 7.30pm Christmas pudding making at Emma Cann's house. We will be making small Christmas puddings to sell, so come along even if you don't want to make a pudding!

St Nicholas Patronal Festival and lunch this year will be on Sunday, 10 December. Tickets for the lunch are available from Emma Cann and Nicki Richards. £8 for adults, £4 under 12s. **Tickets will be on sale until the 26th November due to the Team Service on the 3rd December.**

The Cann family would like to Thank everyone that supported Lydia and Macy at their confirmation on Sunday.

Phil and Geoff for their guidance and preparation, and Sarah for taking them from Baptism to Confirmation. We are truly Blessed to have you in our lives.

Bible Reading notes: those who currently have Bible Reading notes (either Every Day with Jesus or New Daylight), or who would like to start receiving copies, are asked to place their orders for 2018 with Richard West (by 26 November if possible please).

Charity of the Month: Carshalton Community Allotment aims to enable people who don't have a garden of their own to grow healthy food in a welcoming environment. It is particularly helpful for people recovering from strokes, people with learning difficulties, and people with mental health problems. There are raised beds for people who are less able or use a wheel chair. Last year 48% of those who came were recorded as having a learning difficulty and 36% said they had mental health problems. Working on the allotment enables people to feel part of the community and contribute to a meaningful activity – all elements that are recognised as good for wellbeing.

Prayer meeting: Our next meetings are planned for: Tuesday 21st November at 7pm. We meet at Arja's house. Please let her (020 8642 2491) know that you're coming.

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. *Catherine. Pam. David.*



Bulb Planting, Saturday 25th November 12:30 to 15:30: Come along and help us plant spring bulbs. Thanks to a very generous allocation of daffodil (standard & tete-a-tete) and crocus bulbs we want to make sure that Sutton's historic churchyard is filled with colour and life come the spring. You are welcome to join us whatever your age. Please bring gloves, boots, and tools suitable to help us with bulb planting. We do have some equipment but it would help us if you brought some tools with you.

Fundraising update

We are fundraising to open up the front of Christ Church to make the church more visible from the road. This involves crown lifting (taking away the lower branches) of our beautiful mature trees, removing the fence and self-seeded shrubs, and replacing them with a low holly hedge.

We launched our promises auction last week - do take a look at the full list of what's on offer on our website and for full instructions about how to bid (it's very easy). Family and friends are welcome to bid too, please do pass on the information. If you haven't pledged something to auction yet it's not too late - please return your pledge forms today.

And if you're getting in the Christmas mood... don't forget our gifts catalogue, available on our website: <http://christchurch.suttonteam.org.uk/fundraising-project>

Junior Church Christmas Sale: TODAY, after the 10:30am service, Junior Church will be holding a sale of Christmas gifts and cards in aid of Grassroots. Many of the gifts have been made in Tanzania. Junior Church have raised £791.27 so far and would love to reach their target of £1,000 by Christmas.

Christmas Craft Activity Afternoon: Saturday 2nd December, 2-4pm.

Lots of craft activities for children - star biscuits, snowman masks, facepainting, Advent flowers, 3D Angels and much, much more...All ages welcome. No charge. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Refreshments provided.

PATRONAL FESTIVAL LUNCH: Sunday 26th November, 2017 at 12.00noon. Please sign the sheet on the board at the back of the church if you would like to attend this. A suggested donation of £5 would be appreciated, children under 12 years are free. Wine or soft drinks will be included with the meal.

Samaritans Purse: Thanks to everyone who has contributed to this, 34 shoe boxes have now been delivered to the holding centre and a notice of thanks is displayed on the notice board at the back of church. Jean.

Silence Group: Will be meeting on Friday 8 December. 12 noon, at the home of Margaret Golding, 10A Christchurch Park, Sutton. There will be a period of silent prayer followed by a frugal lunch and time of fellowship. All are welcome but if you'd like to come please let Margaret know for catering purposes (020 8642 1915).

BLUEBIRDS PARENT & TODDLER GROUP: Monday afternoons in term time 1.45-3.00 pm. in Christ Church Hall but open to families from any of the three churches or the local community. Come along and make new friends while your baby or toddler has fun playing with the many toys and activities on offer. Parents, grandparents, nannies and childminders all welcome! Do ring Denise (0208 642 8957) if you'd like to know more.