



**SUTTON TEAM
MINISTRY**



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 11th March 2018

Fifth Sunday in Lent/Mothering Sunday

Team Rector: **Revd Justine Middlemiss** 020 8642 3499 - rector@suttonteamministry.org
Team Vicar: **Revd Phil Brooks** 020 8642 2757 - vicar@suttonteamministry.org

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:

8am Holy Communion at Christ Church
9am Holy Communion at St Nicholas
10.30am Holy Communion at Christ Church
10.30am All Age Worship at St Nicholas
10.30am Parade Service at St Barnabas
6.30pm United Service at Sutton Baptist Church

Worship this week

Thursday 10.00am Holy Communion at St Nicholas

Sunday 18th March – Fifth Sunday in Lent

8am Holy Communion at Christ Church
9am Holy Communion at St Nicholas
10.30am Morning Worship at Christ Church
10.30am Holy Communion at St Nicholas
10.30am Holy Communion at St Barnabas
6.30pm United Service at Sutton Baptist Church

LECTIONARY READINGS

This Week: *Fourth Sunday in Lent: Numbers 21.4-9; 1 Ephesians 2.1-10; John 3.14-21*
Next Week: *Fifth Sunday in Lent: Jeremiah 31.31-34; 1 Hebrews 5.5-10; John 12.20-33*
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

Palm Sunday: The next Team Service takes place at 10:30am on Palm Sunday 25th March at Christ Church. We hope to have a team choir singing on this day, all are invited to participate. The choir will meet to rehearse on Sunday 25th morning at 9:15 for 9:30, and there will also be an additional optional rehearsal in the week before - details to be confirmed. Please contact Rene Suite: suitrene@hotmail.com for further information.

Lent Talk: The final talk is on Tuesday, 20th March, 7.30pm, at St Nicholas Church.

Supper Talk: The first Supper Talk for 2018 will be on Friday, 23rd March when Clive Orton will go 'Across Europe on Plates'. Clive will show us slides of his collection of ceramic plates, telling us where they came from and what they mean to him. He may bring some for you to examine. Tickets at £8 each are available from Dorothy Hannam, Mary Shepherd or Richard West. **The time and place is 7pm in St Nicholas Community Hall.**

THIS TUESDAY, 13th MARCH at 2.00pm, the ST BARNABAS MOTHERS' UNION will be meeting in the St Barnabas Church Halls when Hilary Richardson, a Mothers' Union speaker will be coming to talk about the "T at 3". Every Wednesday at 3 o'clock, some Mothers' Union members (including Hilary) go on a rota basis to the Evelina Children's Hospital (part of St Thomas Hospital) to chat to parents of very ill children and offer them tea and cake to help bring some normality at a very difficult time for them. **Everyone from any of our churches (whether a Mothers' Union member or not) is welcome to come to hear Hilary's talk.**

FISH & CHIP SUPPER IN AID OF THE ASSOCIATION OF AIR AMBULANCES CHARITY
On Saturday 24th March at 5.00pm in St Barnabas Church Halls there will be a Charity Event in aid of the Association of Air Ambulances Charity which supports all UK air ambulances.

The family friendly event will include a talk and films by a representative of the Kent, Surrey & Sussex Air Ambulance, a themed quiz, an air ambulance beetle drive, a raffle and more with fish & chips and dessert and tea/coffee. Cost £10 per adult (£5 for children under 10 - sausage and chips). **Everybody from any of our churches is welcome, including their friends and family.**

To book your places, please tell either Humphrey or Janice Clarke or email humphreyclarke@blueyonder.co.uk or telephone 020 8661 1016 no later than 20th March so that numbers are known for catering. You can pay cash on the day.

Holy Week in Sutton Team Ministry

Palm Sunday, 25th March: 8.00 am Holy Communion at Christ Church
9.00 am Holy Communion at St Nicholas
10.30 am Team Holy Communion at Christ Church

Monday 26th-Wednesday 28th March: 8.30 pm Evening reflections at Christ Church

Thursday 29th March: 8.00 pm CUCS Maundy Thursday service, Trinity Church

Good Friday, 30th March: 9.30 am Churches Together Walk of Witness- meet at Asda on the high street
10.30 am CUCS Good Friday service, Trinity Church
11.30 am St Nicholas church open for prayer and reflection (with readings and music) - until 1.00 pm
1.00 pm St Barnabas church open for prayer and reflection (with readings and music) - until 2.00 pm
2.00 – 3.00 pm Hour at the Cross service, St Barnabas church

Please note amended times
at St Nicholas and St
Barnabas.

Easter Sunday, 1st April: 5.45 am Sunrise service, St Nicholas Church
8.00 am Holy Communion, Christ Church
10.30 am Holy Communion at St Nicholas, St Barnabas and Christ Church

Annual Parochial Church Meetings (APCMs)

Christ Church - April 15th, after 10.30am service; St Barnabas - April 22nd, after 10.30am service;
St Nicholas - April 29th, after 10.30am service.

Money Snake: Junior Church would like to thank everyone who gave coins for the money snake. They produced their longest ever snake comprising **867** coins and raised **£80.19** for their chosen charity – **Welcare**.

Easter Craft Activity Afternoon: Saturday 17th March, 2-4pm.

Lots of craft activities for children – Easter flowers; Fondant bunnies; Easter egg pots; Scratch art; Easter cards and much, much more...All ages welcome. No charge. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Refreshments provided.

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ST BARNABAS ELECTORAL ROLL: The St Barnabas Electoral Roll is to be updated for 2018. If you are not listed on the current electoral roll and are eligible for enrolment, there are application forms on the sideperson's table at the back of the church. Completed forms need to be returned to David Hall no later than 7th April. Please see David after a service or contact him on 020 8642 2240 with any questions.

THE SPRING 2018 EDITION OF THE ST BARNABAS PARISH MAGAZINE is NOW ON SALE and copies are available on the table by the font, price 70p.

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THE CHARITY OF THE MONTH for February and March is THE BISHOP OF SOUTHWARK'S LENT CALL 2018. This year it will be supporting projects in the Holy Land, in Southwark Diocese and in Zimbabwe.

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.

The "Charity of the Month" for January raised £107.50 for the Diamond Riding School. A very big thank you to all who were able to contribute.

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Did you know...

**You don't have to be married to join the Mothers' Union?
You don't have to have children to join the Mothers' Union?
You don't even have to be female to join the Mothers' Union?**

The Mothers' Union supports families of all kinds all over the world by providing support, raising funds and campaigning.

Come along and find out more! Children and adults welcome.

Thursday, 15th March 2018 at 11.00 am in the crèche room in St Nicholas Church.

Open Saturday: The church will be open from midday to 4pm on **Saturday, 31st March** (Easter Saturday). If you can spare an hour or so to be in church to greet those who come in, please sign the notice at the back of church. When we opened on the last Saturday in February, more people came in than on any previous open Saturday. And most stayed for a cup of coffee and a chat.

Charity of the Month: Our charity for March and April is the Bishop's Lent Appeal. Full details of the good causes being supported this year are to be found on the notice board in the West Porch. The amount raised for Sutton Schoolwork in January and February was £180.72.

Bring-and-Share Lunch: We will have a bring-and-share lunch after the 10.30am service (at about 12.30pm) on Sunday, 8 April. Please make a note now to come along.

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

Floodlighting: Marking an anniversary, celebration or just a simple dedication. If you would like to sponsor our floodlighting during 2018, please have a word with Richard West. A donation towards the upkeep of the floodlighting (perhaps £20 for a week's sponsorship) will be very welcome.

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. Victor. Yvonne N. Kay.*

ANNOUNCEMENT

In response to December's review of Sutton Team Ministry, the Bishop of Croydon has proposed a pastoral reorganisation in Sutton. The Bishop's proposal was considered at a meeting of the Team Council last week, and was unanimously agreed to in principle. The proposal is as follows:

- 1) that the Team Ministry is dissolved, with each church becoming a separate Parish Church. Each Parish would have a Priest assigned to them - a stipendiary Rector at St Nicholas, a stipendiary Vicar at Christ Church, and a house-for-duty Vicar at St Barnabas. Each would have incumbent status and cure of souls of their Parish.*
- 2) that the three churches continue to work closely together in a Group Ministry, with emphasis on our outward mission across Sutton. The group would be united around this principle and a much lighter touch Group Ministry arrangement would be drawn up. The ministry team would continue to meet for support, encouragement and fostering collaboration. This would build on some of the good work that has been done between the churches since 2006.*

The proposal will be considered by the three PCC's in their next meetings. The Bishop, Ministry team and churchwardens are all keen that this proceeds as swiftly as possible, but it is recognised that pastoral reorganisation has to follow a clearly defined process and can take time. It is also recognised that precise details of the Group arrangement will be a work in progress.

If you have questions or comments, please ask any of the churchwardens or ministry team.