

ST NICHOLAS CHURCH SUTTON 6 JANUARY 2019 EPIPHANY

Welcome to all who gather here today. Please ask one of the welcomers if you would like any assistance.

WORSHIP

Today: 9am Holy Communion; 10.30am Holy Communion; 6.30 Sutton Baptist Church **Next week:** 9am Holy Communion; 10.30am Holy Communion; 6.30 Sutton Baptist Church **Lectionary Readings: Today:** Isaiah 60.1-6; Ephesians 3.1-12; Matthew 2.1-12

Next week: Isaiah 43.1-7; Acts 8. 14-17; Luke 3. 15-17, 21-22

Worship this week: Tuesday 11.15am Matins

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for Pam and Graham.

To include someone on the new prayer list please ask their permission first. Then send the request to: peccsecretary.stNicholas@suttonteamministry.org by Tuesday. Please note that Clergy/SPAs/Staff will not be able to answer questions about people on the prayer list.

CHARITY OF THE MONTH for January is Sutton Community Works (Winter Night Shelter Project)

Sutton Community Works are piloting a winter shelter for rough sleepers in Feb/Mar 2019. Sutton Winter Night Shelter is aiming to provide for people who sleep rough in the London Borough of Sutton with hospitality, healthy and wholesome food, a warm and dry place to sleep and a friendly atmosphere where they can relax and feel safe during the night. The project also aims to support people in finding long term accommodation through signposting and working with partnering organisations and agencies.

NOTICES AND WHAT'S ON

DATES FOR YOUR DLARY

Sunday 13 January	Festive Decorations Congratulations and thanks to everyone who decorated windows for Christmas. They were much appreciated and admired. Sadly it is now time to put our decorations away so please could you arrange to clear window sills by Sunday 13th if possible. Maureen or Sheila can help with any problems.
Sunday 20 January	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Our 10.30am on 20 January will be a United Service with our friends from Sutton Baptist Church and Trinity Church to mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The service will be led by Revd Moira Astin, Archdeacon of Reigate, and Revd Dave Dickinson. In the evening, at 6.30pm, there will be a United Service for Churches Together in Sutton and Cheam at Christ Church.
Thursday 24	1 pm in the Rumpus Room – Mothers' Union AGM and making up washbags for St Helier
January	Hospital – ALL WELCOME
Wednesday 3 April	Licensing of Rev Frances Arnold – details to follow.



FLOODLIGHTING - The floodlighting of our church was installed in 1999 as part of the nation-wide initiative to floodlight churches to mark the new Millennium. Since, some have questioned whether such floodlighting is environmentally responsible. However, we must acknowledge the fact that it does make the paths around the church safer at night. Since the inception the cost of the floodlighting has been met by sponsorship from the congregation,

usually to celebrate a special event or remember a special person. In recent times the number of people who sponsor the floodlighting has declined. If you would like to help us maintain the floodlighting, by sponsoring a week or more (we suggest a donation of around £20), please have a word with Richard West. If you would like to select a particular week and have a dedication, that is fine. But if you would simply like to be a sponsor, without any particular dedication, that will be equally good.



HOW CAN I HELP ST NICHOLAS?

A number of people have volunteered since this request was first made but more help is still needed.

Many of us undertake various jobs to help our church carry out its mission in Sutton. There are, however, a number of tasks which need new people, or more people, to carry them out or lend a hand.

Please have a look at the list below and if you think you could assist with any of these

please speak to Richard or John who will be able to let you have more details and, where necessary, arrange training. Thank you!

- 1. Preparing monthly Sunday duty rotas
- 2. Organising Church open day rotas
- 3. Drafting weekly service notices for notice boards
- 4. Administering the floodlighting sponsorship
- 5. Organising bring and share lunches
- 6. Teller counting cash
- 7. Banker banking cash
- 8. Emptying and counting Charity of the Month box
- 9. Welcomers
- 10. Sidespeople
- 11. Flower arrangers
- 12. Serving coffee/tea on Sundays
- 13. Deputy wardens to look after 10.30 am Sunday services
- 14. Open the Church and Sidesperson for the 9am service.
- 15. Sound desk

THE DIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK is one of the 42 dioceses of the Church of England. It is in the Province of Canterbury and is part of the worldwide Anglican Communion which has nearly 70 million members. The Diocese of Southwark is twinned with three Anglican Dioceses in Zimbabwe. The Croydon Episcopal Area is twinned with Central Zimbabwe Diocese, the Woolwich Area with Manicaland and the Kingston Area with Matabeleland. (Southwark Cathedral is twinned with a fourth - Masvingo and Rochester Diocese is twinned with the fifth – Harare.) Southwark Diocese was formed in 1905 and it now covers 317 sq. miles and nearly three million people live within its borders.

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Contact details: Ginny Haizelden (Parish Administrator) email: administrator@suttonteamministry.org Tel: 020 8643 8271 All entries for the notice sheet should be emailed by 10pm on Tuesday each week to: