St Nicholas Church Sutton

4 September 2022

12TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

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

Worship

Please check the website and mailings for the most up to date information about our services.

IN CHURCH

Today: 4 September 10.30 am 12th Sunday after Trinity- Holy Communion

The next United Evening service will be on 25 September at Trinity Church.

Next week: 11 September 10.30 13th Sunday after Trinity – Holy Communion

Thursday 8 September 10am Holy Communion – (followed by Private Prayer to 12.30pm)

ONLINE

Wednesdays at 8.30am from 14 September

Lectionary Readings (Year C)

Today: Deuteronomy 30:15-end; Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-33

Next week: Exodus 32:7-14, 1 Timothy 1:12-17, Luke 15:1-10

Hymns *for Sunday 4 September: 17, 231, 464, 372*

Church of England worship - *Daily Prayer app and podcast*

This is the app to help you follow Morning, Evening and Night Prayer wherever you are. It includes Bible readings (NRSV translation) and psalms.

https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer/daily-prayer-app-and-podcast

Prayer List

the David family, Judith, Georgina, Pat Wilson, Roger, Lefteris, Pramila

Departed – Pam Smith, Stuart Ringrose, Glynis Osborne

To include someone on the prayer list please ask their permission first. Then send the request to: **PCCSecretary.StNicholas@suttonteamministry.org** by Wednesday. Please note that Clergy/SPAs/Staff will not be able to answer questions about people on the prayer list. Names will remain on the list for a month.

Staying in touch

Stay in touch about ways that we can care for you and pray for you. I'd be glad to hear from you.

In particular can I make a plea to those who find themselves in pressing need (or who know of others of our number in difficulties). Please don't feel that you have nowhere to turn. I really want you to contact me or the churchwardens in the first instance. When you do, we will either be able to help you ourselves or point you in the right direction for access to food or emotional support for people who are struggling.

Revd Frances

Charity of the Month for September is St Raphael's Hospice

COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS The St Nicholas PCC have agreed that **face coverings** and **social distancing markers** are not required in the main part of the church, but that the north and south side pews are to be reserved as areas for those who feel more comfortable retaining them.

NOTICES AND WHAT'S ON

Open Church - From 26 August 2022, Fridays 10am to noon -**Trinity Church** will be open for anyone to drop in for prayer, quiet reflection or a friendly chat.

RIDE AND STRIDE 10TH SEPTEMBER	Each year, cyclists, walkers and other travellers visit chapels and churches across most English counties to raise funds towards the essential maintenance and enhancement of our Christian buildings. You don't have to be super fit. You can cycle or walk round the local churches in Sutton. Why not get a group together? (half of the sum you collect will be returned to St Nicholas). The Trust looks more favourably to grant applicants who have taken part in Ride & Stride days and we will be looking for grants in the near future. If you feel this would require too much effort, I am planning to open the church to welcome those from other churches who are taking part and would welcome your company. Geoff Rendall 07856604522
CUCS OUTING 11 SEPTEMBER	An easy walk in the Little Woodcote Estate and a visit to the new tea room at the Naturally Thinking herb farm. The Little Woodcote Estate was built by Surrey County Council after the 1st World War to provide unemployed ex-servicemen with smallholdings on which to grow vegetables or flowers and to rear animals. Some of the original buildings are still in use. We will meet at the back of Trinity Church after the service and will leave at about 11.45am We will be travelling by car for a picnic lunch in John and Deborah's garden before walking about 2 or 3 miles. Bring a picnic and we will visit a café for a cup of tea (or for £6 a cream tea!). There are no entrance charges. If wet we will cancel. Please contact John or Deborah Wroe (020 8642 9064 or john.p.wroe@gmail.com) if you would like to come, and please let them know if you can offer any spare seats in your car.
TRINITY CHURCH 13 SEPTEMBER 7.30PM	**Crosstalk** - come and hear the Dean of Southwark, **the Very Revd Andrew Nunn**, discussing the significance of the cross of Christ. This will be the eve of the Feast of the Holy Cross, which celebrates St Helena's discovery of the True Cross in 326 and marks the dedication in 335 of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre built where the cross was found. Entry is £5 either online or on the door
SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL SATURDAY 1ST OCTOBER AT 11AM	 Coming together as a Diocese to celebrate **BLACK HISTORY MONTH.** Worship and workshops exploring this year's theme of ***Welcome***. More details to follow.
FUNDRAISING QUIZ EVENING, CHRIST CHURCH, PURLEY SAT. 8 OCTOBER, 7PM	**IN SUPPORT OF THE ZIMBABWE LINK** Teams (of 6) welcome. Individuals and smaller groups will be able to buy a ticket and be placed in a team. (Lily Bande and Revd Frances are on the Croydon/Central Zimbabwe Link Committee).
SATURDAY 15TH OCTOBER 2022 2-5PM	**Dedication of the Dr George Rice Community Garden**, by The Bishop of Croydon, The Rt Revd Dr Marlene Rosemarie Mallett
CONFIRMATION ST MARY'S, BEDDINGTON 20 NOVEMBER 2022	**A Deanery Confirmation service** - Confirmation is a special service in which a person makes for themselves the promises that were made when they were baptised; it is a significant step in the Christian faith. We will be running preparation groups from September. These will be open to anybody of secondary school age or above. These preparation groups would be ideal for anyone exploring the Christian faith. Times and details TBA- please see Revd Frances to register interest. *Revd Frances*