St Nicholas Church Sutton

11 DECEMBER 2022

3rd Sunday of Advent

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: 10.30am Holy Communion
Sermon: Jeff Richards
Next week: 18 December, 10.30am Holy Communion

Thursday 15 December 10am Holy Communion (then Private Prayer to 12.30pm)

ONLINE (Zoom Service) Morning Prayer *John of the Cross, Poet, Teacher, 1591-*
Wednesday 14 December, 8.30am

Lectionary Readings (Year A)
Today: Isaiah 35.1-10, James 5.7-10, Matthew 11.2-11 (1st reading, p.9, Gospel, p.11)
Next week: Isaiah 7.10-16, Romans 1.1-7, Matthew 1.18-end

Hymns *for Sunday 11 December: 552 When our God came to earth, 467 Tell out my soul, 401 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry, 471 The angel Gabriel from heaven came*

CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2022



Sunday 18 December 2022 at 6.30pm United Service of Lessons and Carols
at Trinity URC/Methodist Church, Cheam Road, Sutton SM1 1DZ

Christmas Eve 24 December at 4.00pm Christingle Service
at St Nicholas

Christmas Eve 24 December at 11.30pm Midnight Christmas Communion Service
at St Nicholas

Christmas Day 25 December at 10.30am Christmas Day Holy Communion
at St Nicholas

Prayer List

Judith, Lefteris, Pramila, Pam Affleck, Willemina Robson, Geoff Rendall, Michelle, Tony Nworisa

Departed – John Hannam, Marilyn Kearnes, Ann Loades
Kyson, Bryson, Leyton and Logan Hoath (16 December 2021)

To include someone on the prayer list please ask their permission first. Then send the request to rector.stnicholassutton@gmail.com 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.

Charity of the Month for December is The Children's Society

POST CONFIRMATION MEETINGS	**Post confirmation meetings:** 12.30pm on Sunday **11 December**, 8 January, 22 January and 5 February in Church (young people accompanied by parents please).
DECORATING THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS	All the windowsill decorations should be in place for 18 December please. Please let Ginny (Parish Office 020 8642 8371, administrator@suttonteamministry.org) know which sill you wish to decorate and which of the following times are suitable. Thursday 15 December 10.45am-12.30pm or another time, by arrangement. The decorations should be cleared before Sunday 15 January. Many thanks.
FRIDAY 16 DECEMBER 2022, CUCS Carol singing at Sainsburys, Sutton	Save the date.
PATRONAL FESTIVAL TEAM	Thank you to the team for organising the Patronal Lunch on 4 December. It was good to be together on Sunday, enjoying food and fellowship.
	NEWS ABOUT Janet Little Janet is now in a nursing home and would love to have contact with her friends. David, Janet's husband, will help to arrange a visit and give you contact details davidlittle804@gmail.com 07833 997573
OPEN CHURCH AT TRINITY, FRIDAYS 10AM TO 12 NOON	Open Church - Fridays 10am to noon - Trinity Church will be open for anyone to drop in for prayer, quiet reflection or a friendly chat.
SUTTON FOODBANK THANKS FOR HARVEST DONATIONS	We have received a letter from Sutton Community Works, thanking us for our donation of 54.5kg of food to Sutton Foodbank following our Harvest Appeal. The letter is displayed on the noticeboard.
STREET PASTOR RECRUITMENT	Caroline Richards, Sutton Street Pastor Coordinator, is looking for new recruits to meet the constant need in our community - next training starts FEB 2023. Here is her new SP recruitment video clip https://youtu.be/TAMeIcFFBzo **www.suttoncommunityworks.org/sutton-street-pastors**
SUTTON COMMUNITY WORKS HARDSHIP FUND AUTUMN 2022	
FINANCE HELP NEEDED	We are looking for people to help us with **church financial matters**. If you would like to know more, please speak with *Alistair Cruickshank*.