ST NICHOLAS CHURCH SUTTON

12 MARCH 2023

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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: 12 March, 10.30am, The Third Sunday of Lent – Holy Communion
Next week: 19 March, 10.30am, Mothering Sunday, All Age – Holy Communion

Thursday 16 March 10am Holy Communion
(then Private Prayer to 12.30pm)

ONLINE (Zoom Service) Morning Prayer – Wednesday 15 March, 8.30am
(Jeremiah 13.1-11, John 8.12-30)

Lectionary Readings (Year A)
Today: Exodus 17.1-7, Romans 5.1-11, John 4.5-42 (1st reading, p.93, Gospel, p.95)
Next week: Exodus 2.1-10, Colossians 3.12-17, John 19.25*b*-27

Hymns for Sunday 12 March: 282 Jesus, where'er thy people meet,
231 I heard the voice of Jesus say, 261 Jesu, lover of my soul,
158 Glorious things of thee are spoken

God of Mission Who alone brings growth to your Church,
Send your Holy Spirit to give Vision to our planning,
Wisdom to our actions,
And power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers,
In spiritual commitment to you,
And in service to our local community,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(*Leading your Church into Growth prayer)*

Let us pray…
that we may see what God is already doing
in every encounter, every journey and every day…
for wisdom, grace, energy and guidance,
as we worship,
hear the Good News
and share God's love in the world. Amen.

Prayer List

Judith, Lefteris, Pramila, Pam Affleck, Willemina Robson, Michelle, Tony Nworisa, Dominic, Diane Young
Departed – Michael Kelly, Geoff Rendall, Eddie Moss, Anna Matthews (priest), Ajantha

Charity of the Month

for March is **Bishop's Lent Appeal**

Bishop of Southwark's Lent Call 2023
This year's theme is "How shall we sing the Lord's song in a strange land?" (Psalm 137.4),
to reflect upon as we focus on mental health and well-being.
This year's Lent Call features projects that help with:
access to medical care - here in Southwark Diocese and in our link diocese of Jerusalem
access to food – foodbanks in Southwark diocese and nutritional gardens in our link dioceses in Zimbabwe
projects to facilitate well-being by developing strategies to cope with the stress and mental illness caused by our modern world
Please remember these projects in your prayers and consider whether you can give practical help in similar situations in the Diocese or whether you can give to support them financially.
You can find details of all the projects and information on how to donate,
at https://southwark.anglican.org/lentcall. Also on the noticeboard in the church porch.

SPRING TERM PROVISION FOR JAM/SPECTRUM	JAM/Spectrum will meet in Church (Lady Chapel/seating area near the font) at 11.45am (after the 10.30am service) on the following occasions: **JAM,** 12 March **Spectrum,** 26 March Please speak with Revd Frances if your child wishes to join JAM/Spectrum.
MARCH EDITION OF *THE BRIDGE*	Here is the March edition of *The Bridge* and as always it is packed full of stories and features from across the Diocese. Read and download from: *southwark.anglican.org/thebridge*
LENT 2023 IN *CHURCHES UNITING IN CENTRAL SUTTON (CUCS)*	**CUCS Lent groups** (Trinity, St Nicholas and Sutton Baptist Church) meet weekly in Lent. Tuesdays at 2.30pm in the Parlour at Trinity; Tuesdays at 7.30pm on Zoom; Wednesdays at 7.00pm at Sutton Baptist Church; Fridays at 10.30am at Trinity, in the church itself. For more details speak to your church CUCS representative, Clive Orton.
MAP CONVERSATION ON SUNDAY 5 MARCH - FOLLOW UP	**Thank you** for coming to the Mission Action Planning session with Canon Jay Colwill. Let's continue the Vision conversation, building on the ideas and energy from last Sunday. I'll find a time to give feedback about the common themes that have emerged. In the meantime, I'd like to encourage you all to share ideas with me or with members of the PCC and let me know if you've been involved in this kind of thing before. It's good to pool resources. *Revd Frances*
SUNDAY 21 MAY 2023 APCM AT 12 NOON	The **Annual Parochial Church Meeting** will take place in Church after the 10.30am service (which is the United Christian Aid service at Trinity Church) on Sunday 21 May. Please note the date in your diary.
PCC MEETING, 7PM ON THURSDAY 16 MARCH 2023	
SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING AND REMEMBRANCE FOR GEOFF RENDALL, 2.00PM ON TUESDAY 21 MARCH 2023	**A Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance for Geoff Rendall** will take place at St Nicholas Church at 2pm on Tuesday 21 March. The service will be followed by refreshments at Sutton United Football Club SM1 2EY All welcome. RSVP Marie: marieabbeydaniel@icloud.com
THE UNVEILING OF THE EVERYDAY HEROES MEMORIAL, NATIONAL DAY OF REFLECTION 23 MARCH 2023	**Unveiling of the Everyday Heroes Memorial, National Day of Reflection, 23 March 2023** *by the Worshipful the Mayor of the London Borough of Sutton, Councillor Trish Fivey* **1 pm ~ 2 pm** **at the Dr George Rice Community Garden, Gibson Road, Sutton, SM1 2RF** After the ceremony, please join us for refreshments in St Nicholas Church where there is a small exhibition explaining the progress in creating the garden.
FRIENDS OF ST NICHOLAS CHURCHYARD: LITTER PICKING IN LENT 2023	Come and join us as we spring clean the Churchyard. We'll do 30 minutes or so of social litter picking. All equipment provided. Old or young, everyone is welcome! Sunday Meeting Dates: Noon in the Tower of St Nicholas Church. NOT MEETING 5th March-----12 March, 19 March, 26 March, 2 April 2023
FRIDAY, 28 APRIL 2023, SUPPER TALK AT 7PM	A date for the diary: Friday, 28 April - Supper Talk at 7pm when Eamonn Mullally will present 'Recollections of a London Tour Guide'. Tickets, at £10 each, will be available in mid March.
TUESDAYS AT TRINITY, 14 MARCH 2023, 7.30PM IN THE CHURCH. 'THE WOMAN AT THE WELL', LECTURE BY ANDREW NUNN, DEAN OF SOUTHWARK	**Tuesdays at Trinity, 14 March 7.30pm, 'The Woman at the Well'** The Very Revd Andrew Nunn, Dean of Southwark (and preacher at our United Service), reflects with us on the story of Jesus and the Woman at the Well. Here Jesus shocks people by spending time with a foreign woman of low reputation. What are its implications for us today? All welcome - tickets £5 on the door *This is one of the passages in the Lent study course and is open to everyone in CUCS.*