# ST NICHOLAS CHURCH SUTTON

## 19 MARCH 2023

## THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT, MOTHERING SUNDAY

**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:** 19 March, 10.30am, Mothering Sunday, All Age – Holy Communion
**Next week:** 26 March, 10.30am, The Fifth Sunday of Lent, Passiontide – Holy Communion

**Thursday 23 March** 10am Holy Communion
(then Private Prayer to 12.30pm)

**ONLINE** (Zoom Service) Morning Prayer – Wednesday 22 March, 8.30am
(Jeremiah 18.13-end, John 10.11-21)

**Lectionary Readings** (Year A)
**Today**: Exodus 2.1-10, Colossians 3.12-17, John 19.25*b*-27 (1st reading, p.101, Gospel, p.104)
**Next week**: Ezekiel 37.1-14, Romans 8.6-11, John 11.1-45

Hymns for Sunday 19 March: 313 Lord of all hopefulness, 269 Jesus, good above all other,
137 For the beauty of the earth, 405 One more step along the world I go

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.

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| **SPRING TERM PROVISION FOR SPECTRUM** | Spectrum will meet in Church (Lady Chapel/seating area near the font) at 11.45am (after the 10.30am service) on Sunday 26 March.<br>This is to rehearse the Passion Gospel which we will read during the 10.30am Palm Sunday service on 2 April. It will be a bit like a radio play. We will all have scripts to read from, so there will be no need to memorise lines. |
| **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.<br>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.<br>Tuesdays at 2.30pm in the Parlour at Trinity; Tuesdays at 7.30pm on Zoom;<br>Wednesdays at 7.00pm at Sutton Baptist Church;<br>Fridays at 10.30am at Trinity, in the church itself.<br>For more details speak to your church CUCS representative, Clive Orton. |
| **REQUIEM: A THANKSGIVING FOR LIFE PALM SUNDAY CHORAL SERVICE, 2 APRIL, 6.30PM, TRINITY CHURCH** | **Requiem: A Thanksgiving for Life with music by Mendelssohn, Stanford and Philip Ledger**<br>Palm Sunday Choral Service, 2 April, 6.30pm, at Trinity Church<br>with the Trinity Festival Choir<br>Organist, Ian LeGrice<br>Conductor, Stephen Haylett<br>**All welcome – free admission** |
| **MAP CONVERSATION ON SUNDAY 5 MARCH - FOLLOW UP** | **Thank you** for coming to the Mission Action Planning session with Canon Jay Colwill.<br>Let's continue the Vision conversation, building on the ideas and energy from last Sunday.<br>I'll find a time to give feedback about the common themes that have emerged.<br>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.<br>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.<br>Please note the date in your diary. |
| **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.<br>The service will be followed by refreshments at Sutton United Football Club SM1 2EY<br>All welcome.<br>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**<br>*by the Worshipful the Mayor of the London Borough of Sutton, Councillor Trish Fivey*<br>**1 pm ~ 2 pm**<br>**at the Dr George Rice Community Garden, Gibson Road, Sutton, SM1 2RF**<br>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!<br>Sunday Meeting Dates: Noon in the Tower of St Nicholas Church.<br>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'.<br>Tickets, priced £10 each, are now available from Richard West. Please advise any dietary requirements when booking. |