ST NICHOLAS CHURCH SUTTON



2 APRIL 2023, PALM SUNDAY

Worship

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

IN CHURCH

Today: 2 April, 10.30am, Palm Sunday – Holy Communion **with dramatic reading of Passion Gospel**
6.30pm, Requiem: *A Thanksgiving for Life*:
Palm Sunday Choral Service, at Trinity Church

Next week: 9 April, 10.30am, Easter Day – Holy Communion

Maundy Thursday 6 April, 10am Holy Communion – the Revd Martin Hayward
(then Private Prayer to 12.30pm)

ONLINE (Zoom Service) Morning Prayer – Wednesday 5 April, 8.30am
(Jeremiah 11.18-20, Luke 22.54-end)

Lectionary Readings (Year A)
Today: Matthew 21.1-11 (Palms); Isaiah 50.4-9*a*; Philippians 2.5-11; Matthew 26.14-27.66
(dramatic reading of Passion Gospel)
Next week: Acts 10.34-43, 1 Corinthians 15.19-26, John 20.1-18

Hymns for Sunday 2 April: 11 All glory, laud and honour, 346 My song is love unknown,
513 Thou didst leave thy throne, 435 Ride on, ride on in majesty

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 & April 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.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Maundy Thursday *6 April*

10am Holy Communion

11am Chrism Eucharist & Renewal of Ordination Vows at Southwark Cathedral

8pm Holy Communion at St Nicholas (Churches Uniting in Central Sutton)

Good Friday *7 April*

10am – 11am Walk of Witness (Churches Together in Sutton & Cheam) – leaving from ASDA in Sutton High Street

10.30am Service at Trinity

1pm Service of Reflection at St Nicholas

2pm Good Friday Liturgy at Christ Church

2pm Meditative Service at St Barnabas

2.45pm Good Friday Service at Sutton Baptist

Easter Day *9 April*

10.30am Holy Communion at St Nicholas

6.30pm Evensong at St Barnabas

LENT 2023 IN *CHURCHES UNITING IN CENTRAL SUTTON (CUCS)*	**CUCS Lent groups** (Trinity, St Nicholas and Sutton Baptist Church) meet weekly in Lent. Joint meeting on Tuesday 4 April at 7.30pm. For more details speak to your church CUCS representative, Clive Orton.
REQUIEM: PALM SUNDAY CHORAL SERVICE, 2 APRIL, 6.30PM, TRINITY CHURCH	**Requiem: A Thanksgiving for Life with music by Mendelssohn, Stanford and Philip Ledger** Palm Sunday Choral Service, 2 April, 6.30pm, at Trinity Church with the Trinity Festival Choir Organist, Ian LeGrice, Conductor, Stephen Haylett **All welcome – free admission**
EDDIE MOSS, FUNERAL ON 13 APRIL 2023	Our dear friend Eddie Moss's funeral will take place at 1.15pm on Thursday 13 April at St Albans, Cheam, followed by a service at 2.40pm at North East Surrey Crematorium. Royal British Legion, Cheam Branch (Mickleham Gardens SM3 8QJ) for refreshments from 2.30pm. (Parking available at Sutton United Football Club for service at St Albans).
MAP CONVERSATION FEEDBACK ON SUNDAY 16 APRIL 2023	There will be an opportunity to hear the common themes that have emerged from the Mission Action Planning session with Canon Jay Colwill immediately after the morning service on Sunday 16 April (around 11.45am). It should only take about 10 minutes. You are warmly encouraged to attend. It would be especially good if those who took part in the group discussions on 5 March could be there to hear the feedback. *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.
MU/FSNCY EASTER EGG HUNT, SATURDAY 8 APRIL, 11AM – 2PM	The Mothers Union/Friends of St Nicholas Churchyard Easter Egg Hunt will take place in the churchyard from 11am to 2pm on Saturday 8 April. It is a free event.
SUTTON SOUP, THURSDAY 20 APRIL AT 7.30PM	Sutton Soup - It's the sociable way of raising money for local good causes. You come along and pay £5 for a meal of homemade soup and bread. You get to hear four pitches from local people who need funding for a project that benefits the Sutton community. You get to vote for the one you like best. The winner of the vote gets to keep ALL the money we take on the door on the night. That means your £5! By coming together that £5 turns into hundreds of pounds for the winner.
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, priced £10 each, are now available from Richard West. Please advise any dietary requirements when booking.