St Nicholas Church Sutton

10 DECEMBER 2023

2nd 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 December – 2nd Sunday of Advent - 10.30 Holy Communion – Revd Francesca Perlman Mitchell (Curate, Cheam Parish)

Next week: Sunday, 17 December – 3rd Sunday of Advent - Revd Anne Doerr, Assistant Curate (Associate Priest) of Belmont, Assistant Area Dean

Thursday 14th December 10am Holy Communion – Revd Charles Cotton – (followed by Private Prayer to 12.30pm)

Lectionary Readings

Today: **2nd Sunday of Advent –** Isaiah 40.1-11; 2 Peter 3.8-15a; Mark 1.1-8

Next week: 3rd Sunday of Advent – Isaiah 61.1-4, 8-end; 1 Thessalonians 5.16-24; John 1.6-8, 19-28

Hymns for Sunday 10 December: 15 All my hope on God is founded; 98 Come thou long expected Jesus; 307 Lo, He comes with clouds descending; 56 Be thou my vision

LOOKING AHEAD

- **Sunday, 24 December at 10.30 am** - The Venerable Moira Astin
- **Christmas Day, 25 December at 10.30 am-** The Venerable Moira Astin
- Unfortunately, it is not possible to hold a Midnight service at St Nicholas on Christmas Eve. However, all are welcome to join either Sutton Baptist Church at 11.30pm (a service of Holy Communion) or Trinity Church at 11.15pm (Candlelit Worship).
- **Sunday, 31 December** - There will be no service at St Nicholas, but all are invited to join with Trinity and Sutton Baptist Church for a united service at 10.30am at SBC.

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

Frances Arnold, John Stannett

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/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**

NOTICES AND WHAT'S ON

CHRISTMAS WINDOW DECORATIONS

Would you like to decorate one of the windows in church for Christmas? Perhaps you have done so before. Contact Richard West (richjwest@btintrnet.com). Windows can be decorated on Thursdays between 11am and 12.30pm or before the service on 10 or 17 December. It would be good to have the windows decorated in time for the morning service on 17 December.

SUNDAY 10 DECEMBER 12 pm ST NICHOLAS PATRONAL LUNCH	The Patronal Lunch will be at 12 noon on Sunday, 10 December, in the Community Hall. It will be an Australian Down Under, Upside Down BBQ lunch. Dress code: Ready for Australian BBQ. Tickets are £10 each (£5 for those under 12), on sale now. In view of the short notice, tickets can be reserved by contacting Nicki Richards at nicki@abstraining.com and pay when you see Nicki.
OUTING TO V&A MUSEUM, NOW ON SUNDAY 10 DECEMBER 2023	The V and A museum have temporarily closed the exhibition on musicals so we are postponing our outing until Sunday 10 December. We hope many of you will still be able to join us. We will meet at the back of Trinity Church after morning service and eat our packed lunches in the halls before travelling to London by train and tube at around 12.30. We will visit a café for tea before returning. Please bring your packed lunch! Please contact John or Deborah Wroe (020 8642 9064 or john.p.wroe@gmail.com) for more information.
SUNDAY 17th DECEMBER 6.30pm TRINITY	United Carol Service at **Trinity Church** starting at 6.30pm
SATURDAY 23rd DECEMBER ST BARNABAS	 There is no charge but if you would like to attend, please let Dorothy Hannam know for catering purposes. Friends and family are also welcome.