

St Nicholas Church Sutton

5 JANUARY 2025

Worship

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

This Week: 5 January Epiphany	**10.30 Holy Communion** led by Revd Alison Way
Readings	Isaiah 60.1-6; Ephesians 3.1-12; Matthew 2.1-12
Hymns	41 As with gladness men of old; 193 Hail to the Lords anointed; 71 Brightest and best; 537 We three kings
Thursday 9 January	10am Holy Communion, led by Revd Alison Way
Next Week: Sunday 12 January **1st Sunday of Epiphany** **Baptism of Christ**	Morning Praise at 10.30am - Jeff Richards
Readings	Isaiah 43.1-7; Acts 8.14-17; Luke 3.15-17,21-22
ADVANCE NOTICES	
Sunday 19 January	9.30 – Holy Communion (said) led by Revd Phil Brooks, Christchurch – 10.30am - United Morning service **at Trinity Church** for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 6.30pm - Evening service at Christ Church for Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Sunday 26 January	Holy Communion at 10.30am led by Revd Kevin Lewis

Prayer List

Jean Chappell, Roger Barnes, Wilhelmina Robson, Jennifer Emptage, John Stannett, Georgie B

Departed

Stephen Cann

Please Pray for the Family of Stephen Cann

We are saddened to share the news that Stephen Cann passed away at Epsom Hospital on the morning of 30th December, following a short decline in his health. Stephen was the eldest child of Joan Cann and leaves behind his widow, Marion, and their three adult children.

Please keep Stephen's family and all who mourn his loss in your prayers.

May he rest in peace.

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.

Charity of the Month for January/February is Sutton Community Works

NOTICES AND WHAT'S ON

If you would value a pastoral visit or communion at home if you are unable to attend St Nicholas, please get in touch with Rev Alison via the parish office contact or direct via Alison.Way@southwark.anglican.org.

Regular Giving

It costs over £1,250 a week to run St Nicholas Church, including heating and lighting, maintenance, administration and caretaking, the music, and of course, providing the clergy to lead our worship - hopefully soon we will have a new Rector.

Fortunately, we are blessed with a congregation that provides support in many ways. Several help the church financially by Regular Giving: if you are one of these, you will be receiving a letter that encourages you to switch your method of giving to Direct Debit (please check your pigeonhole). All are encouraged to make this change as it will ease our administration, particularly when recovering the tax paid by those who Gift Aid their giving.

If you do not currently give regularly (perhaps preferring to make your offering during the service), may we ask you to consider and pray very carefully about changing to regular giving. This is the way in which you can provide regular financial support for the work of this church, but it also enables us to budget more accurately to ensure St Nicholas Church is a Christian heart in Sutton.

For more information, please speak with a member of the Finance Committee: Rita Anderson, Pamela Kerr or Richard West.

SIGNAGE IMPROVEMENTS - Join us for a 45-minute session to explore how St Nicholas Church can better communicate its welcome to the community. We'll walk around the church and churchyard, discussing ways to use the building, signage, and other elements to signal a welcoming and safe environment for people from all backgrounds and abilities. **Following church services, sessions will occur at noon on Sunday, January 12th and 26th, 2025.** Your input is valuable as we strive to be a community in the heart of Sutton that is seen, understood, and experienced as welcoming to all. **We hope to see you there!** Jeff Richards

The Chatty Cafe is moving! From Tuesday 7th January 2025, the Chatty Cafe has a new home. Join us at Throwley Yard Cinema, Throwley Rd, Sutton SM1 4GJ. Every Tuesday from 11 am to 2 PM. Accessible entrance on Throwley Way.



Sutton Community Works have a **Winter Shelter** starting in a few weeks and have training for volunteers on Sat 11th and Mon 13th Jan.

Bridge double edition - The December/January edition of The Bridge is live! Check it out online here (The Bridge newspaper - The Diocese of Southwark).

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