

St Nicholas Church Sutton

2 March 2025

Worship

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

This Week: Sunday 2 March Sunday next before Lent	10.30am Holy Communion led by Revd Alison Way
Readings	Exodus 34.29-end; 2 Corinthians 3.12-4.2; Luke 9.28-36
Hymns	287 Just as I am; 90 Come Down O Love Divine; 464 Take my life and let it be; 522 To God be the glory
Wednesday 5 March Ash Wednesday	8pm Service of Ashing - The Venerable Moira Astin, Archdeacon of Reigate
Readings	Isaiah 58: 1-12; Matthew 6: 1-5, 16-21
Hymns	90 Come Down O Love Divine 69 Breathe on me Breath of God 6 Abide with me
Thursday 6 March	10am Holy Communion led by Revd Alison Way
Next Week: Sunday 9 March 1st Sunday of Lent	10.30am Holy Communion led by Revd Martin Hayward
Readings	Deuteronomy 26.1-11; Romans 10.8b-13; Luke 4.1-13

Prayer List

Pauline, Wilhelmina Robson, Jennifer Emptage, John Stannett, Georgie B

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.

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.

Charity of the Month for March is
The Bishop's Lent Appeal

LENT/EASTER SERVICES

Ash Wednesday, March 5 St Nicholas	**Ashing Service** at St Nicholas at 8pm led by The Venerable Moira Astin. It will be preceded by a **Frugal Supper**, in church, at 7pm. No tickets are required, but please sign the form at the back of church no later than Sunday, 2 March if you wish to come to the supper. There is no charge, but a donation, suggested to be at least £3, on the evening will be welcome, with the proceeds going to Christian Aid.
Palm Sunday April 13 Trinity Church 6.30pm	Trinity Festival Choir, Crucifixion by Stainer
Thursday April 17 7.30pm	Maundy Thursday - A united service led by Revd Alison Way
Friday, 18 April (Good Friday)	10am - Walk of Witness from outside ASDA. 2pm - Service of Reflection led by The Venerable Moira Astin
Sunday, 20 April (Easter Sunday)	10.30am Holy Communion led by Bishop Rosemarie, Bishop of Croydon

NOTICES AND WHAT'S ON

Regular Giving

Our church can only function thanks to the generosity of those who give regularly. Such regular giving helps us to plan for the future as we aim to grow St Nicholas once again. It is so good to see the number coming to our 10.30am service on Sundays increasing, and people staying after the service for a time for a chat over a cup of coffee. Let us ensure that growth continues. However, there is more - we need to heat and light the church, and to maintain the building.

We would like to suggest that all make their giving through the **Parish Giving Scheme**. This is a way by which you can give a regular amount each month from your bank account using a direct debit. The process is simple - just sign up by phone, online or by post. Leaflets are available at the back of church that explain the process. You do not have to visit or contact your bank, except to cancel any existing standing order after your direct debit has been set up.

Please think and pray about your commitment to St Nicholas Church and take a few moments to read through the leaflet about direct debit giving. Speak to Richard West for more details.

Lay Ministry taster evening

If you are thinking about how to use the gifts God has given you, then come find out more about Lay Ministry. At this taster session you can ask commitment-free questions about the different ministries, including Reader (teaching) ministry, Pastoral ministry, Pioneer (missional) ministry, ministry with Children and Young People, and Evangelist (outreach) ministry. This is a chance to hear some stories of people who have experienced these roles and been through training, and how you might begin exploring your own vocation Wednesday 9 April, 7.30-9.30pm, Zoom, free. To book your place email learning@southwark.anglican.org

Friday 7 March - World Day of Prayer	 The World Day of Prayer 2025 Service Will be held on Friday 7TH March At The Salvation Army Church 45 Benhill Avenue SM1 4DD Service starts at 10.30 You are welcome to come early and watch the slides of Cook Islands  **10.30am at the Salvation Army Church,** 45 Benhill Ave, SM1 4DD This year's service is planned by Christian women in the Cook Islands with the theme "I made you wonderful". All welcome.
Sunday 16 March 12.30pm following morning service	**Trinity - Outing to Design Museum and Japan House -** Meet at the back of Trinity Church after morning service with your packed lunch. We plan to have a picnic in the halls before we leave at around 12.30pm and then travel by train and underground to London to visit **Japan House** for a woodworking exhibition and the **Design Museum**. If the weather is kind we shall also visit the **Japanese Peace Garden** in Holland Park. There are no admission charges. Please let John and Deborah Wroe (john.p.wroe@gmail.com) know if you plan to come.
Tuesday March 18 Trinity Church 7.30pm	Trinity Lent Lecture - Luke the Historian by Revd Dr Jonathan Hustler

If you would like to be added to the email circulation list for the Notice Sheet please send details of your name and email address to: **PCCSecretary.StNicholas@suttonteamministry.org**