



6th April 2025

# PEW'S NEWS

Church of St Matthew, Croydon

[www.stmatthew.org.uk](http://www.stmatthew.org.uk)

## Services

Sundays at 8.30am - said service of Holy Communion  
Sundays at 10am service of Holy Communion with singing led by the choir (live-streamed and on YouTube). Mid-week Communion Service on Wednesdays at 10.00am.

## Young Church

Sundays at 10am except the 2nd Sunday of each month which is an Altogether Now Service.

## Morning Prayer

Morning Prayer on Mondays & Wednesdays at 9am in the Lady Chapel. Zoom Morning Prayer - Tuesdays at 9am. Log in details: 524 546 0709 Password: stmatts

## Toddler Group

Thursdays 8.30 to 10.30am

## Renew 121

Mondays 2-4pm

## Coffee Mornings

2nd & 4th Sats. 10.30 to 12

## Gallery Group

Wednesdays 11am - 12pm

## Prayer Focus



Christians are firmly established among both the Sinhala majority and Tamil minority ethnic groups in Sri Lanka, but make up just 8% of the population overall. They encounter hostility from extremists amongst Buddhists, Hindus and Muslims. Additionally, extremists and local authorities often harass congregations, claiming that it is illegal for them to meet without permission. Pray that Christians in Sri Lanka will receive the full protection of the law and not be targeted for harassment within their community or by the authorities.

## This week we are praying for the residents of:

Arthur Court / Cedar View /  
Wilhelmina House

## Readings for 6th April - Fifth Sunday of Lent

Isaiah 43.16-21 /  
Philippians 3.4b-14 / John 12.1-8

## Diary Dates

### Lent Groups

Concludes after 10am  
service on 6th April

### Lentern Concert

12th April at 7pm

### Messy Church

14th and 15th April  
10am-12pm

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### ROOF APPEAL



Please support our ongoing work  
in the community



Thank you for giving to St Matthew's

Dear St Matthew's family

Thank you so much for all your support recently for Bibles for Crisis and for the Salvation Army Mothers' Day Food Basket appeal. It is such a blessing to be part of a church community that seeks to be Christ to those in need and I thank you for all you are and all that you are able to give.

On behalf of the church a very big thank you to our young people and all those who supported them in leading the service on Mothering Sunday. What an absolute blessing that was - thank you!

Rev Ruth

## Contact Us

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