

PEW/S NEWS

Church of St Matthew, Croydon

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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



Two Christian education officials, Blessings Luka and Gideon Bitterleaf, were killed when an improvised explosive device (IED) exploded along a highway in Borno State, north-eastern Nigeria. The officials were transporting mangoes from Damboa, a major location on a key food supply route, when their van was struck. Islamic State West Africa Province, a group particularly active in the state in April and May, is suspected to have planted the IED. Ask the Lord to comfort the family and friends of Blessings and Gideon as they grieve. Pray for wisdom for the authorities in Borno State to intensify security and protect the population from Islamist attacks, especially the vulnerable Christian minority.

This week we are praying for the residents of:

Lyndhurst Close / Maresfield / Maybourne Grange

Readings for 31st August - Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Ecclesiasticus 10.12-18 / Hebrews 13.1-8, 15, 16 / Luke 14.1, 7-14

Diary Dates

Open House Day

13th September

Patronal Festival Lunch

21st Sept after church

Pilgrim Course

22nd Sept at 4.30-6pm

October Breakfasts

In between the Sunday services

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Dear St Matthew's

The new academic year is almost upon us, I cannot believe how quickly the summer has gone!

Please do hold in your prayers all those returning to school and college. For those starting school for the first time. For those starting university. For all those for whom this academic year is one with big exams ahead. For those beginning apprenticeships.

Please do also hold in your prayers the schools here in this parish, for Park Hill Infants and Junior Schools and Archbishop Tenison's and for London Southbank University Croydon Campus with whom we have links.

With my prayers as ever.

Rev Ruth

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