



14th September 2025

# PEWS 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

## Gallery Group

Wednesdays 11am - 12pm

## Prayer Focus



Heavenly Father, we lift up China to You today. We ask for Your grace and mercy to cover every person in this vast nation. May Your peace reign and may Your truth shine brightly even in challenging circumstances. Lord, protect the believers who follow You quietly and faithfully. We pray for church leaders, that You will guide them with wisdom and justice. May Your kingdom come and Your will be done in China as it is in heaven. Father, we ask in Jesus' Name that the Gospel will spread throughout the land, touching lives, transforming hearts, and bringing hope where there is despair.

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

Merlin Close / Red Court / Minster Drive /  
St Bernard's

## Readings for 14th September - Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Exodus 32.7-14 / 1 Timothy 1.12-17 /  
Luke 15.1-10

## Diary Dates

### Patronal Festival Lunch

21st Sept after church

### Pilgrim Course

22nd Sept at 4.30-6pm

### October Breakfasts

In between the Sunday services

### Quiz Night

11th October

### James Reid Licensing Service & Parish welcome

12th & 19th October

## Follow Us



## Support Us



### ROOF APPEAL



Please support our ongoing work in the community



Thank you for giving to St Matthew's

Please do consider joining some or all of the Pilgrim course sessions running at St Matthew's beginning on 22nd September 4.30-6pm and please do let others know about it too and invite them along!

# Your next step?

Find out more about the Christian faith

You are invited.

No matter your background or beliefs. You are welcome.

Where

St Matthew's Church,  
Chichester Road, CRO 5NQ

When

Starts at 4.30 to 6pm  
on 22nd September

Details

Other dates: 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> October, 3<sup>rd</sup> &  
17<sup>th</sup> November, 1<sup>st</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> December

Contact

stmatthewcroydon@gmail.com

The group is for:

- those who want the chance to think about the Christian faith
- those who have recently started coming to church
- those preparing for baptism or confirmation
- those who have been Christians for many years and want to visit the roots of their faith again.
- child friendly, shared food, videos and discussion

pilgrim



## CONTACT US:

**Vicar** - The Revd Ruth Chapman - email  
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**The Parish Office** - Contact Penny on 020 8681 3147 or email  
stmatthewcroydon@gmail.com Mon-Fri 9am to 12pm.