



21st December 2025

PEWS NEWS

Church of St Matthew, Croydon

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 pray for Christians around the world who face severe legal restrictions in practising their faith. We ask for those deprived of a building to find ways to meet for fellowship, worship and teaching from Your Word. We ask You to give wisdom to church leaders to respond to severe demands that make formal expression of their faith harder to achieve. Please direct them to obey governing authorities wherever possible, but to have the discernment to know when to obey God rather than man. We ask in the Name of the One in Whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, the Lord Jesus Christ. (Romans 13:1; Acts 5:29; Colossians 2:3).

This week we are praying for the residents of:

Alden Court Siskin Court / Peony Court
Woodbury Close / Elizabeth Court

Readings for 21st December - Third Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 7.10-16 / Romans 1.1-7 /
Matthew 1.18-end

Diary Dates

Carol Singing at Wilhelmina and Peony Court

22nd December. Meet at St Matthew's at 3.30pm to sing carols on the way to Wilhelmina for 4 and heading to Peony Court at 5pm

Messy Church Christmas

Christmas Eve - 2-4pm

No Renew 121

29th Dec

Parish Walk

1st January 2026

Epiphany Party at the Vicarage

4th January 2026

All Age Candlemas

31st January 2026

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ROOF APPEAL



Dear St Matthew's

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a blessed and wonderful Christmas, New Year and Epiphany and to share this Christmas blessing;

May the joy of the angels,
the eagerness of the shepherds,
the perseverance of the wise men,
the obedience of Joseph and Mary,
and the peace of the Christ-child
be yours this Christmas.

Rev Ruth



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