



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 9 to 10.30am

Renew 121

Mondays 2-4pm

Gallery Group

Wednesdays 11am - 12pm

Parish Games

3rd Wednesday 2-4pm

Prayer Focus



Eighteen leaders of a network of unofficial churches in China face trial and a possible three year prison sentence for the crime of “illegally using information networks”. The 18 were among 30 members of the Zion Church network first detained in October 2025. The most high-profile detainee is Pastor Jin Mingri, who founded the Zion Church in Beijing in 2007. While unofficial churches are often overlooked by the Chinese authorities, they are technically illegal and members run the risk of arrest and imprisonment. Intercede for these 18 believers and all those in China's unofficial church, asking the Lord to sustain them through trials and difficulties(Psalm 55:22)

This week we are praying for the residents of:

Brownlow Road / Caroline Close /
Chepstow Rise

Readings for 8th March - Third Sunday of Lent

Exodus 17.1-7 / Romans 5.1-11 / John 4.5-42

Diary Dates

Lent Group

Continues after 10am service

Park Hill & Whitgift Safer Neighbourhood Meeting

5th March 6.30-8pm

Parish Games

Continuing on 18th March 2-4pm

Choral Evensong

22nd March 6.30pm

Palm Sunday Service with Donkey!

29th March 10am.

No 8.30am service

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The Diocese of Southwark

Dear St Matthew's

As you may know our Diocesan Bishop Christopher is retiring this year. As part of the process to discern who the next Bishop of Southwark might be, we have been asked as a Diocese by Bishop Rosemarie to take part in an online anonymous survey, below, so we can say what is important to each of us.

<https://southwark.anglican.org/consultation-on-the-next-bishop-of-southwark/>

I commend this survey to you therefore - please do let me know if you have any questions.

With my thanks and prayers.

Rev Ruth

Choral Evensong
22nd March
6.30pm

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Messy Church
Easter
Come to our special Palm Sunday Service and meet a real life donkey: 29th March
including crafts, singing and refreshments
Free of charge
1st April 11-1 pm
Keep an eye out on the church website and social media for information

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