



5th July 2026

PEWS NEWS

Church of St Matthew, Croydon

www.stmatthew.org.uk

Services

Sundays at 8.30am (except second Sunday of the month) - said service of Holy Communion and 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



Waqas Masih, a 22-year-old Pakistani Christian working in a cardboard packaging department, was hospitalized on after being attacked at his workplace in Sharaqpur, Punjab, by a Muslim co-worker. Zohaib Iftikhar slashed Waqas's throat with a sharp blade after Waqas repeatedly refused to convert to Islam. Police arrested Zohaib, and their investigation dismissed his allegations that Waqas had desecrated Islamic texts. Waqas's condition has stabilised, but he was later transferred to a military hospital for extra security. Pray for Waqas's complete recovery from this horrific attack. Pray for protection for Waqas, his family and the Christian community against any retaliation, and that justice will be seen to be served.

This week we are praying for the residents of:

Arthur Court / Cedar View / Wilhelmina House

Readings for 5th July - Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Genesis 24.34-38, 42-49, 58-67 /

Romans 7.15-25a / Matthew 11.16-19, 25-end

Diary Dates

5th July 2026

No Zoom Prayers

14th July

Paul Parmenter's funeral

2nd July at 12.30pm. East Chapel, Croydon Crematorium. Followed by a gathering at St Matthew's.

No Toddlers

In August

Messy Church

10th & 24th August
11-1pm

Pet & Bag Blessing Service

30th August 10am

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Dear St Matthew's

Around this time of year many ordination services to the Diaconate and Priesthood are held. Please do hold all those to be ordained in your prayers especially those in Southwark Diocese. It is also a wonderful time to think about the calling God places on each of our lives. May I commend this passage from Isaiah for us to reflect on as we go into this next week.

God bless.

Rev Ruth

43 But now thus says the Lord,

he who created you, O Jacob,

he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are mine.

2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.



BRING YOUR OWN
FOOD AND DRINK

**SPORTS DAY
AND PICNIC**

12 JULY | 12 PM

MEET NEAR THE BOWLS CLUB, LLOYD PARK, 84
COOMBE ROAD, CROYDON, CR9 5RA

St Matthew's Church,
Chichester Road, CR0 5NQ
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**Messy
Church**

Crafts,
Singing
and
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charge

**10th & 24th August
11am to 1pm**

Keep an eye out on the church website and
social media for information

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