



9th August 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



"There is not a single city in Morocco that does not have a presence of Moroccan Christians, even in the villages," reported a pastor in the city of Temara. Official attitudes towards Christianity have softened in the past few years, added the pastor, and house church gatherings are generally tolerated. The pastor emphasised the loyalty of Moroccan Christians to their country. However, Christians - and particularly converts from Islam - still face reprisals from extremists within the Muslim majority. Give thanks for greater levels of tolerance for our brothers and sisters and pray that the Lord will protect and sustain Muslim-background believers.

This week we are praying for the residents of:

Larcombe Close / Leafy Way / Leyburn Gardens

Readings for 9th August - Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Genesis 37.1-4, 12-28 / Romans 10.5-15 /
Matthew 14.22-33

Diary Dates

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Messy Church

10th & 24th August
11-1pm

Glastonbury at St Matthew's

22nd August 2-4pm

Pet & Bag Blessing Service

30th August 10am

No Toddler Group

in August

No Parish Games

in August.

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Dear friends in Christ

As Rev Ruth comes to the end of her well-earned break, we hope and pray that she returns to us rested and ready to face the challenges of the next few months.

The power of that faith, that God will provide what she needs, is shown in this week's Gospel message where Peter finds that if he believes, then he can indeed walk on water. Faith is a wonderful thing and, with God's good grace, it enables us to achieve seemingly impossible tasks (although not always in the way we would have imagined!).

But faith needs feeding, so whether you join us for services at this time of year or whether you watch at home, understand that Rev Ruth, James and I are here to talk about faith and love to hear your questions, your difficulties and your perspective on Christianity.

Wishing you a faithful and blessed week

Rev Linda

GLASTONBURY
at St Matthew's
22ND AUGUST
2-4PM

primary school bangers
(hymns you sang at primary school)

pinnies **FREE OF CHARGE**

do you have a favourite?
(fill in a ballot paper)

OUTSIDE DONATIONS for church & roof welcome

St Matthew's Church,
Chichester Road, CR0 5NQ
www.stmatthew.org.uk

Messy Church

Crafts,
Singing
and
Refreshments

Free of charge

10th & 24th August
11am to 1pm

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

St Matthew's Church,
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