22nd November 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



A recent report on conditions in Dadaab refugee camp, Kenya, has exposed the extent of the abuse and violence endured by female refugees. The camp hosts thousands who have escaped conflict in Somalia, along with displaced people from several other African nations. "Dadaab is overwhelmingly Muslim, and non-Muslims are widely treated as unclean," states the report. "Christian women in particular are assumed to be prostitutes." Many Christian women feel they must dress and speak like Muslims to avoid harassment. Ask the Lord to sustain the faith of our sisters who live in such hardship. Pray for an improvement in conditions at Dadaab, so that all may live in dignity.

This week we are praying for the residents of:

Rochester Gardens / Rowan Gardens / Runnymede Court / Waldegrove

Readings for 22nd November - Christ the King

Ezekiel 34.11–16, 20–24 / Ephesians 1.15–end / Matthew 25.31–end

Diary Dates

No Morning Prayer
23rd and 24th November

Choral Evensong
22nd November at 6.30pm

Antarctica and Falkland Islands Talk
28th November 2.30pm

Christmas Tree Festival
29th November to 31st December

Christmas Tree Festival Concert 29th November at 5pm

Carol Singing at East Croydon 9th December at 5-7pm

Toy Service - 13th December 13th December at 10am

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Dear St Matthew's

Advent is fast approaching my friends! It is such a special season where we are encouraged to set aside time and space for reflection and prayer.

I am delighted to say that +Peter Price will be leading this year's group. Please see the attached information- all very welcome!

God bless.

Ruth

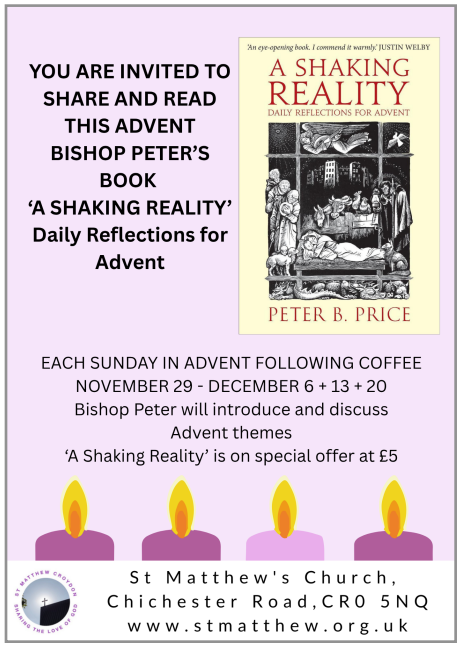
Dear St Matthew's

In a recent meeting we wondered if it would be helpful for people who want to to give the church an emergency contact for use if you are ever taken ill at a church service or function.

If this is something you would like to do please speak to Rev Ruth. All numbers would be kept secure.

Many thanks.

Rev Ruth



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Asst Priest - The Revd Linda Fox on 07736 708828 or email linda.stmatthews@gmail.com
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