



PEW'S NEWS

Church of St Matthew, Croydon

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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

Messy Church

2024 Dates: 14/10, 11/11, 9/12. 3.30 to 5pm

Toddler Group

Thursdays 8.30/9am to 10.30am

Renew 121

Every Monday - 2-4pm

Coffee Mornings

2nd & 4th Sats. 10.30 to 12

Prayer Focus



Pray for the family of Ugandan pastor Richard Malinga, who was attacked and killed on his way home from church on 17 June. He had been conducting prayer sessions in Pallisa District and was riding home by motorcycle when he was attacked, and his motorcycle was stolen. The 36-yearold's body was found on the road the following morning, with multiple head wounds. Ask that the Lord will comfort those who grieve for Richard Malinga. Pray that violent crimes in Uganda will decrease, and the Christians who live there will be safe to travel at night.

This week we are praying for the residents of:

Park Hill Rise / Park Hill Road /
Paul Gardens / Thanescroft

Readings for 13th October - Pet Blessing Service

Amos 5: 6-7, 10-15 /
Hebrews 4: 12-end / Mark 10: 17-31

Diary Dates

October Breakfasts

In-between Sunday services

Pet Blessing Service

13th October at 10am

Messy Church

14th October at 3.30pm

Quiz Night

19th October at 7pm

Reflective Prayer Service

20th October at 7pm

Hidden Voices -last one!

26th October at 2pm

Black History Month Service

26th October at 5pm

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Dear St Matthew's family

Last Saturday I attended a service at Southwark Cathedral led by the Archbishop of Canterbury to mark and celebrate Black History Month. The sermon was given by the Very Revd Andrew Zihni, who was formerly the Canon Precentor at Southwark Cathedral and is now Dean of Gloucester. In his sermon he reflected that all of us are the musicians of God's love. This has stuck in my head and I wanted to share it with you to reflect on also.

I also take the opportunity to remind everyone of the service for Black History Month we are holding at St Matthew's on 26th October led by our Bishop, +Rosemarie. Please do come along to that and let friends and family know too. The service begins at 6pm and we are serving refreshments from 5pm.

Thank you for all you bring to this parish and community and "Let everything that has breath praise the Lord" (Psalm 150).

Rev Ruth

Contact Us

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