



# 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

## Toddler Group

Thursdays 8.30 to 10.30am

## Renew 121

Mondays 2-4pm

## Coffee Mornings

2nd & 4th Sats. 10.30 to 12

## Gallery Group

Wednesdays 11am - 12pm

## Prayer Focus



Praise God for providing the resources through our supporters to fund vitally important projects throughout 2024. Give thanks for the provision of food and medical aid to our brothers and sisters suffering in many countries. Remember with gratitude Christian children receiving a Christian education through the generosity of Barnabas supporters. Give thanks for believers taking part in skills training or being equipped to set up small businesses. Praise the Lord for help given to victims of anti-Christian violence. Pray for His continued provision for our suffering brothers and sisters in Christ.

## This week we are praying for the residents of:

Arthur Court / Cedar View /  
Wilhelmina House

## Readings for 5th January - Epiphany

Isaiah 60: 1-6 / Ephesians 3: 1-12  
/ Matthew 2: 1-12

## Diary Dates

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### Women of the Nativity

Reflection & Prayer after the 10am service until Candlemas

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### Toddler Group

9th January at 8.30am

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### Coffee Morning

11th January at 10.30am

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### Reflective Prayer Service

19th January at 7pm

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Dear St Matthew's family

Epiphany is when we think about the gifts bought to the infant Jesus of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Not your usual gifts but ones that held great significance.

One of my favourite verses in a Carol is from In the Bleak MidWinter,

What can I give Him

Poor as I am?

If I were a shepherd, I would give a lamb

If I were a wise man, I would do my part

Yet what I can, I give Him

Give my heart

God calls each of us to bring what we can. Each of us have our own unique callings and gifts which only we can bring to the kingdom of God.

With every blessing as we journey together into this new year.

Rev Ruth

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### Contact Us

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