



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



Three Christian men were hospitalised in early November after suffering multiple stab wounds in an attack in a village in Minya province, upper Egypt. The stabbings were carried out by four Muslim men - some of the attackers were arrested. The incident follows a rise in intimidation and attacks against Christians in the area by Islamist extremists in the previous year. Pray in particular for the recovery of our three brothers, and ask that believers will be allowed to live and worship in peace and safety.

This week we are praying for the residents of:

Addiscombe Grove / Addiscombe Road / Alpine Close

Readings for 26th January - Third Sunday of Epiphany

Nehemiah 8.1-3, 5-6, 8-10 / 1 Corinthians 12.12-31a / Luke 4.14-21

Diary Dates

Women of the Nativity

Reflection & Prayer after the 10am service until Candlemas

Renew 121

27th January at 2pm

Toddler Group

30th January at 8.30am

Australia Talk

8th February at 2.30pm

Musicals come to St Matthew's

22nd February at 7pm



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Dear St Matthew's family

This week's reading from the New Testament is from 1 Corinthians 12 with the reminder that we are the body of Christ and individually members of it, all with our different parts to play. We each have different gifts and callings and can contribute in so many ways to the witness of Christ here in this place and beyond.

It calls to mind for me the beautiful words from Teresa of Avila;

Christ has no body but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks
Compassion on this world,
Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good,
Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world.
Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,
Yours are the eyes, you are his body.
Christ has no body now but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks
compassion on this world.
Christ has no body now on earth but yours.

With thanks for all you are.

Rev Ruth

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