

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



"Whenever you go into prison, they don't tell you how long you will stay." These were the words of an Eritrean pastor, who spent eight years in prison before being released and fleeing to Ethiopia with his family. The pastor describes forced labour, cramped and overcrowded cells, beatings and torture. Only the Lord knows how many Christians have been detained for their faith, and who are now suffering in the same way. Ask that the Lord will sustain our brothers and sisters in Eritrea's prisons with a peace that is beyond human understanding (Philippians 4:7).

This week we are praying for the residents of:

Alden Court / Red Court / Peony Court / Elizabeth Court

Readings for 16th March - The Second Sunday of Lent

Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18 / Philippians 3.17 - 4.1 / Luke 13.31-35

Diary Dates

Lent Groups

Continues 16th March after 10am service

Choral Evensong

16th March at 6pm

Messy Church

14th and 15th April 10am-12pm

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Dear St Matthew's family

We are now observing the important season of Lent and I pray it is a holy season for you and us all. I encourage you to attend as many of the services during Lent as you are able and an invitation to the Lent group that will be each Sunday (for an hour after the 10am service) where we will be reflecting on the Beatitudes.

A reminder too that we have the Dean of Southwark, the Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley preaching at St Matthew's on 16th March in the 10am service.

With my prayers. Rev Ruth

Contact Us

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