

# PEWS 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**



The authorities of Tajikistan have refused to register any more churches since 2022, without giving an explanation for this policy. Unregistered congregations have no option but to meet as discreetly as they can as their gatherings are illegal. Even churches that were already registered are closely monitored and regulated. Pray that the Lord will give insight to Christians, and especially church leaders, in how they should navigate this difficult environment.

# This week we are praying for the residents of:

Cotelands / Coverdale Gardens / Crusader Gardens

# Readings for 13th April - Palm Sunday

Luke 19.28-40 / Isaiah 50.4-9a / Philippians 2.5-11 / Luke 22: 14 - End of 23

# **Diary Dates**

### **Messy Church**

14th and 15th April 10am-12pm

### **Easter Services**

See poster for details

### **Violin/Piano Recital**

11th May at 7.30pm

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# Dear St Matthew's family

We are now at the beginning of the most precious week - Holy Week - beginning today, Palm Sunday. I do encourage you, as you're able, to attend as many services as possible this week as we journey to the cross with our Lord and await the glory and joy of Easter Day. It's a difficult and emotional week so please be assured of my prayers for us all as we journey together.

I am reminded at this time of those beautiful words from Roman 8:

For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, 39 nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Rev Ruth

### **Contact Us**

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