

PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers:

+ Brian Barclay	+ Sam Mitchell
+ Mark Beckwith	+ Cheryl Moorhouse
+ Heather Brewer	+ Sheila Murphy
+ Joan Caney	+ Parveen
+ Joan Chaplain	+ Joyce Pearce
+ Len Chaplain	+ Lynne Potter
+ Sue Cook	+ Ingrid Quartey
+ Stella & Vic Cowie	+ Doreen Rawlings
+ George Curtis	+ Denis Rigden
+ Lynda Drummond	+ Ross Simpson
+ Raneë Eliatamby	+ Rebecca Stevenson
+ Iris Frank	+ Margaret van Hoorn
+ Lorraine Gonsalves	+ Sally Vincent
+ Jan Hughes	+ Jacquie White
+ Paschal Hussey	+ John Williams
+ Noel Jackson	+ Freda & Fred Wood
+ Heather Johnson	+ Max Wordsworth
+ Norman Johnson	+ Diane Woodward
+ Robert Ladd	+ Yvonne Wilson
+ George Martin	+ Eudora Yankah

+Our neighbours: West Croydon Methodist Church, YMCA & YWCA

+ The soul of Gillian Pervez, praying for her husband Pervez & their children James & Wendy.

+ Maliyah Roman being baptised here today

Services this week

05 December – 10 December 2011

Monday	12.00noon	Eucharist
	10.30am	Elis David Mynde Day Service
	2.30pm	Julian Group – Almshouses
	3.30pm	Messy Minster
Tuesday	1.10pm	Eucharist
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong sung by the Boy Choristers
Wednesday	11.00am	Eucharist
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong sung by the Girl Choristers
Thursday	11.00am	Eucharist – Whitgift House
	6.30pm	Youth Group
	7.30pm	Gospel Singing
Friday	10.00am	Eucharist
Saturday	10.00am	Eucharist

Next Sunday, 11 December 2011

Third Sunday of Advent

08.00am	Eucharist
10.00am	Sung Eucharist Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11; Psalm 126; 1Thessalonians 5:16-24; John 1:6-8,19-28 Kingfishers: Magnificat Blue Door Group: Respect & acceptance
6.30pm	Town Carol Service

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MINSTER NEWS

Sunday 4 December 2011

2nd Sunday of Advent

Toy Service

08.00am Eucharist

09.50am Crèche in church
Kingfishers in church
Blue Door Group in church

10.00am Sung Eucharist (Croindene)

Celebrant: Revd Sara Goatcher

Preacher: Revd Sara Goatcher

Hymns: See Order of Service

Setting: Music for the Parish Communion –
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Intercessor: Blue Door Group

Motet: Personent hodie – Arr Holst

09.00am Eucharist at Whitgift Almshouses

Our toys will go to Croydon Welcare and the
Croydon Women's Refuge

Retiring collection for Christmas Flowers in memory
of our loved ones

Coffee, tea, & squash will be served in the hall
after the 10.00am service

12.00noon Baptism
Canon Colin Boswell

6.30pm Choral Evensong (Lay Clerks, Girls)

Officiant: Revd Tim Goode

Preacher: Canon Colin Boswell

Hymns: 3, 357, 248

Responses: Radcliffe

Psalm: 40 v 12 – end

Canticles: Walmisley in D Minor

Anthem: Strengthen ye the weak hands –
Harris

Today....

If you are new, please complete a 'Blue Welcome Card' which is available at the back of church. Please ask a sides' person for details. Sides' people wear red badges.

Children's **Activity Bags** are available at the back of church for use in the pews only. Please ask a Sides' person to show you where they are.

The December/January Magazine is available: £1.00

The Church Times is available each week: £1.60

The Bridge Newspaper (free) is available

Thursdays at 10am – Mini Movers.

Sponsorship of the church flowers– forms are available under the tower or speak to Denise in the Minster Office.

Giving at Croydon Minster It costs around £16,000 every month to run Croydon Minster. Details of Novembers planned giving envelopes, standing orders and weekly collections will appear next week.

Weekly & Monthly Envelope users – there is a new supply of envelopes ready for you on the table in the North Cross Aisle which started last Sunday – please take yours today to avoid postage.

Christmas Cards around the parish – there are Christmas Cards for every house in our parish. Please take a road and deliver these cards as soon as you can, preferably this week – *Thank you*.

Minster Christmas Cards – are available after church or from the Minster Office during the week. Cards are £2.50 for a pack of 5 cards – there is a sample on the blue notice board under the tower.

Tomorrow Messy Minster 3.30 - 5.30pm

This event, for families will focus on getting ready for Christmas. There will be activities for the children, and parents and carers are expected to stay with the children and join in the fun. **We still need volunteers to assist with setting up, activities, helping the children and providing tea.** Please contact Revd Sara via the Minster Office or sign up today on the lists by the Mary Chapel.

Thursday 8 December 6.30pm – Youth Group meets in the church hall.

Thursday 8 December 7.30pm – Gospel Singing. No experience necessary – just come along and enjoy the session.

Next Sunday we host the Town Carol Service at 6.30pm We will need a team of volunteers to help set up, serve refreshments (wine and mince pies) and clear away. Setting up the hall will begin at **5.30pm** in order to be ready in time for the Carol Service. Please sign up on the list under the tower if you are able to help in any way.

Please don't leave this to the faithful few.
Thank you.

Calling all singers! Join the Minster Choirs for a festive 'Come & Sing' performance of Vivaldi's 'Gloria' with Christmas Carols. **Saturday 17 December 1.30-6.00pm.** £5.00 singers or audience. Contact the Minster Office to sign up.

Sunday 18 December 6.30pm – the Minster Choral Foundation will sing 'Messiah' The Christmas section (Part 1) by Handel.

Carol singing around the Wards of Croydon University Hospital (formerly Mayday) will be taking place on **Thursday 22nd December.** Meet in the hospital chapel by 7pm. Carol sheets will be provided. All are welcome to come and sing. Please give just an hour of your time for a worthwhile cause.

Saturday 24 December Christmas Eve 5.00pm – Crib Service

Floating Shelter – There are sign up sheets on the North Cross Aisle for you to volunteer your help with the Floating Shelter which will take place here for 7 weeks on Sunday evenings/Monday mornings starting on Sunday 12 February 2012. There are various duties to choose from:

- Setting up (making beds and laying the tables)
- Helping with cooking the evening meal – normally a roast dinner
- Making conversation with the guests and serving the evening meal and clearing away (includes loading/unloading the dishwasher)
- Staying overnight
- Setting out breakfast and clearing away
- Doing the Laundry

Our Parish Clergy are available to talk to them, they are:

Vicar:	Canon Colin Luke Boswell	020-8688 1387
Senior Curate:	Revd Sara Goatcher	020-8660 6198
Curate:	Revd Tim Goode	020-8406 4188
Curate:	<u>Chaplain to the Minster</u> Revd Katherine Farrell	
Hon C:	Revd Mark Hill	020-8688 1387
St George's C-in-C:	Revd Pat Vowles	07709 253496