



St John the Divine Church, Selsdon
14th January 2018
The Second Sunday of Epiphany

Welcome to St John's!

Welcome to everyone! If you're a newcomer or a visitor to St John's we have great pleasure in welcoming you today. All you need for this service is contained in the service booklet you have been given and below are details of the hymns, readings and prayers we'll be using – we'll sing the hymns from the hymn books you have been given. **Hymns numbered 1-799 can be found in the green hymnbook. Hymns numbered 800 and above can be found in the blue books.** We hope you enjoy worshipping here. After the 10am service, tea and coffee are served in the church hall, to which you are warmly invited. Hosts today to welcome you are Barry and Jean Cockerell - do come and say hello!

PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME WITH YOU!

The Opening Prayer:

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer:

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Hymns at the 10am service:

First hymn:	332 All hail the power of Jesu's name
Gradual hymn:	881 When Philip found him by the tree
Offertory hymn:	876 Will you come and follow me
Communion hymn:	866 We meet as friends at table
Last hymn:	814 I the Lord of sea and sky

Choir anthem today: Lead me Lord Wesley

Prayers today are led by: Bobby Cass

First Reading *read by Emily Richardson*

Samuel served the Lord by helping Eli the priest, who was by that time almost blind. In those days, the Lord hardly ever spoke directly to people, and he did not appear to them in dreams very often. But one night, Eli was asleep in his room, and Samuel was sleeping on a mat near the sacred chest in the Lord's house. They had not been asleep very long when the Lord called out Samuel's name.

"Here I am!" Samuel answered. Then he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am. What do you want?"

"I didn't call you," Eli answered. "Go back to bed."

Samuel went back.

Again the Lord called out Samuel's name. Samuel got up and went to Eli. "Here I am," he said. "What do you want?"

Eli told him, "Son, I didn't call you. Go back to sleep."

The Lord had not spoken to Samuel before, and Samuel did not recognize the voice. When the Lord called out his name for the third time, Samuel went to Eli again and said, "Here I am. What do you want?"

Eli finally realized that it was the Lord who was speaking to Samuel. So he said, "Go back and lie down! If someone speaks to you again, answer, 'I'm listening, Lord. What do you want me to do?'"

Once again Samuel went back and lay down.

The Lord then stood beside Samuel and called out as he had done before, "Samuel! Samuel!"

"I'm listening," Samuel answered. "What do you want me to do?"

1 Samuel 3.1-10

Gospel

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. There he met Philip, who was from Bethsaida, the hometown of Andrew and Peter. Jesus said to Philip, "Come with me."

Philip then found Nathanael and said, "We have found the one that Moses and the Prophets wrote about. He is Jesus, the son of Joseph from Nazareth."

Nathanael asked, "Can anything good come from Nazareth?"

Philip answered, "Come and see."

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said, "Here is a true descendant of our ancestor Israel. And he isn't deceitful."

"How do you know me?" Nathanael asked.

Jesus answered, "Before Philip called you, I saw you under the fig tree."

Nathanael said, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God and the King of Israel!"

Jesus answered, "Did you believe me just because I said that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see something even greater. I tell you for certain that you will see heaven open and God's angels going up and coming down on the Son of Man."

John 1.43-end

We want to look after everyone in church today! Parents and carers can help by supervising their children at all times.

Please help us to keep everyone safe in church! Small children running around can so easily trip or tip something over and hurt themselves or others. Please try to keep children out of the sanctuary area (where the altar is) during the service and out of reach of the candles!

We hope you enjoy using our Children's Area – a special part of the church where parents/carers and children can share the service together, perhaps using the toys, books and puzzle sheets provided. If you have any suggestions on how we can make it even better, or help you enjoy the service more with your child, please let Jenny know.

For your prayers:

We pray for God's love to surround:

Neil Athron, Marion Hall, Margaret Rutland

We pray for those who have died recently:

Ermine Smith, Lynne Whittaker, Tom Wyatt

We pray for loved ones on the anniversary of their death:

14 th January	Margaret Harrison	(2009)
17 th January	Doris Prickett	(1983)
	Winifred Skinner	(1999)
18 th January	Kenneth Butler	(1943)
	Ramona Nesbit	(1999)
19 th January	Bert Smith	(1972)
	William Barnes	(1970)

Please also remember in your prayers Alexander Maxwell Vandyke, being baptised later this morning

If you'd like prayer either for yourself or for another please contact Jenny at jennyrowley@waitrose.com or 0208 657 2343. And if you would like to include the name of a loved one among the list of the departed on the anniversary of their death, please give details to Jenny.



If you'd like to discuss arranging a baptism (christening), a wedding or a funeral, please call Jenny on 0208 657 2343.



Please give **NOTICES** for inclusion in the weekly service sheet to Jenny (jennyrowley@waitrose.com) preferably by e-mail, or in writing. It would be helpful to receive these before ***Tuesday*** each week.



St John's Website

The website for our church can be found at
www.stjohnsselsdon.org.uk

**We have a Facebook page. To join the page search for:
St John the Divine Selsdon
The page is there to let you know of events taking place at the
church.**



PUBLICITY - St John's has a Publicity Group to publicize special events and services. If you would like to promote or advertise an event etc., please contact Amanda in the Parish office on 0208 657 9466 or

bookingsstjohns@gmail.com



**If you'd like to book the Church Hall or Morris Chapman Room please call
Amanda Sinclair on 07958 682 103
or e-mail bookingsstjohns@gmail.com**

Jenny and Mark will be "At Home" **THIS AFTERNOON** from 3.30pm to 5.30pm. Do come and share a drink and a "nibble" to celebrate the festive season of Epiphany and chase away those January blues!

All Welcome!



There's a new way to donate to St John's Church, Selsdon.

From your phone,
simply TEXT **SJCH05** and the amount you would like to donate
to **70070**

for example:
SJCH05 £10 to 70070
(to donate £10)

You can even Gift Aid your donation by Text or e-mail to make it worth
another 25% at no extra cost to you.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

And if you'd like to make your donation
specifically to the Garden Room Project,
please

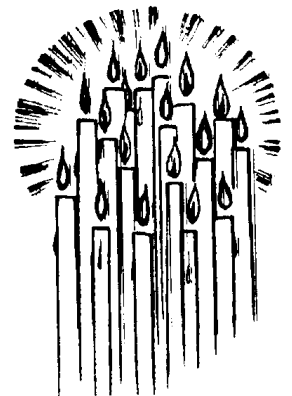
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CANDLEMAS - SUNDAY 4TH FEBRUARY

The Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Christ is acclaimed as the Light of the World in this special
Eucharist of Light – this is the time when we turn from celebrating
Christmas / Epiphany and look ahead to Holy Week and Easter, and
begin to think about how we will use our special preparation time
of Lent during February/March. **Do come and celebrate on
Sunday 4th February at 6pm!**





ST JOHN'S SELSDON GARDEN ROOM

A COMFORTABLE AND WELCOMING SPACE FOR CHURCH AND
COMMUNITY GROUPS TO USE AND ENJOY

A BRICK WALL HAS APPEARED AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO **MAKE A DONATION** TOWARDS THE BUILDING OF
THE GARDEN ROOM, PERHAPS IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE OR IN
THANKSGIVING FOR AN EVENT eg. AN ANNIVERSARY OR SIGNIFICANT
BIRTHDAY, OR IN CELEBRATION OF AN ACHIEVEMENT, PLEASE TAKE A
"BRICK DONATION" PACK FROM THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.

SIMPLY FILL IN THE FORM AND RETURN IT TO A CHURCHWARDEN
OR TO GILL SALTER 21 RYLANDES ROAD, SOUTH CROYDON CR2 8EB WITH
YOUR DONATION.

When you've made your donation, please choose a brick on the wall at the back of
church

and write on it a name or a message so we can share remembrances and
celebrations as the project progresses

ALL COMPLETED FORMS WILL BE KEPT SO WE HAVE A RECORD OF
CONTRIBUTORS AND REMEMBRANCES TO DISPLAY
ONCE THE GARDEN ROOM IS BUILT

IF YOU WOULD LIKE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

GILL SALTER ON 0208 4059971 OR SALTERG@OUTLOOK.COM



St John's Church, Selsdon



Sunday 21st January

2.30pm - 4.30pm

We give the kids a snack and we tidy up after !!!

All welcome!

GARDEN ROOM PROJECT UPDATE – December 2017

Since our last Update, there have been quite a few significant developments.

As planned, we sent out a package of information to three Contractors for Tender pricing – this pack included the Planning Drawings, Scope of Works, Specification of Materials, Approximate Bill of Quantities and a selection of Construction Sketches. The aim of sending out this comprehensive package was to achieve an as realistic and high a degree of cost certainty as possible. At the time of writing we have received two Tender Sums back, we await the third, and once that is received we will undertake our Tender evaluation.

In the last update we advised that our Project Architect had submitted his drawings and Design and Access Statement to the Local Authority. We are really happy to confirm that we now have Planning Permission for the scheme. This Permission comes with a series of planning conditions – nothing that we were not expecting; mainly addressing materials and specific minor details.

So, much progress has been made. In the next few weeks we will be:-

- Undertaking the Tender Review.
- Modifying the Design Development Statements to reflect the recommendations of our selected preferred Contractor
- Making our formal submission to the Diocesan Advisory Committee
- Preparing details and submitting for Building Regulations approval

On-going with all the above is, of course, fund-raising – this now needs to be the focus of all our attention. Without the funds we cannot even start to think about building this exciting facility. If you have any queries at all on what we are doing, please have a chat with one of us.

Peter and the Project Team



Garden Room Planned Giving

We have received requests for a planned giving form to enable members of St John's and the wider community to make direct donations to the Garden Room project. A standing order mandate form has been produced and will provide the means to make planned donations as a one-off payment or several payments over a period of time to be determined by the donor, making this a convenient way to be part of the Garden Room Project as it grows. Forms are available at the back of church. Please contact Gill Salter on 0208 405 9971 or salterg@outlook.com if you need any further information or help

SERVICES AND OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

14th January 2018

Sunday

3.30pm – 5.30pm “At Home” at the Rectory - *ALL WELCOME!*

Monday

10.00am Baby and Toddler group

12.45pm Funeral of Lynne Whittaker at Croydon Crematorium

Tuesday

10.00am Rector’s Coffee Hour in Costa on Selsdon High Street. If you’d like to pop in for a chat or even just to say hello, please do! Your opportunity to ask the Rector that question you’ve never dared ask before...or just enjoy a coffee together!

7.30pm Area Mission and Pastoral Committee meeting at St Matthew’s House

Thursday

10.00am Baby and Toddler group

10.15am Said Eucharist

11.30am Deanery Standing Committee meeting in the parish office

Friday

12.45pm Funeral of Ermine Smith at Croydon Crematorium

Saturday

12.30pm Servers’ Festival at Southwark Cathedral

Next Sunday The Third Sunday of Epiphany

8.00am Said Eucharist in traditional language

10.00am Parish Eucharist

6.00pm Healing service

Readings next Sunday:

Genesis 14:17-20 or Revelation 19:6-10; John 2:1-11

Morning Prayer is usually said in Church each weekday (except Friday) between 9.00am and 9.30am. You are welcome to join any of these services.

If there’s something on your mind and you’d like to talk it over with someone, or if you’d like to make your confession, Jenny will be happy to see anyone at any time by appointment. She can be contacted on: 0208 657 2343 or

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