



**St John the Divine Church, Selsdon
10 November 2019**

The Third Sunday before Advent

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY and ARMISTICE DAY

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. It's a particular pleasure to welcome Rt Revd Christopher Chessun Bishop of Southwark to lead our worship and preach this morning. 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 Jo, Karen and Angel Charles - do come and say hello!

PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME WITH YOU!

The Opening Prayer: God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer:

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Hymns at the 10am service:

First hymn: 825 The kingdom of God is justice and joy

Gradual hymn: 903 Word that formed creation

Offertory hymn: 865 For the healing of the nations

Communion hymn: 860 Christ is alive

Last hymn: 830 God is our strength and refuge

Choir anthem today For the fallen *Brentnall*

Prayers today *are led by a young member of the congregation*

First Reading *read by a young member of the congregation*

I wish that my words could be written down or chiselled into rock.
I know that my Saviour lives, and at the end he will stand on this earth.
My flesh may be destroyed, yet from this body I will see God.
Yes, I will see him for myself, and I long for that moment.

Job 19.23-27

Gospel

The Sadducees did not believe that people would rise to life after death. So some of them came to Jesus and said: Teacher, Moses wrote that if a married man dies and has no children, his brother should marry the widow. Their first son would then be thought of as the son of the dead brother.

There were once seven brothers. The first one married, but died without having any children. The second one married his brother's widow, and he also died without having any children. The same thing happened to the third one. Finally, all seven brothers married that woman and died without having any children. At last the woman died. When God raises people from death, whose wife will this woman be? All seven brothers had married her.

Jesus answered:

The people in this world get married. But in the future world no one who is worthy to rise from death will either marry or die. They will be like the angels and will be God's children, because they have been raised to life.

In the story about the burning bush, Moses clearly shows that people will live again. He said, "The Lord is the God worshiped by Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob." So the Lord isn't the God of the dead, but of the living. This means that everyone is alive as far as God is concerned.

Luke 20.27-38

For your prayers:

We pray for God's love to surround:

David Crietzman, John Ewing, Alan White

We pray for those who have died recently:

Noreen Burt

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

10 th November	Jack Harbour	(1980)
11 th November	Patrick Mooney	(1981)
	Eva Bussey	
12 th November	William Snow	(1958)
	David Lawrence	(2015)
13 th November	Sidney Huggett	(1986)
	Marjorie Inez Chater	(2009)
16 th November	Alan Bailey	(1994)

If you'd like prayer either for yourself or for another, please contact Amanda in the parish office 0208 657 9466

email bookingsstjohns@gmail.com

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 Amanda.

Please give NOTICES for inclusion in the weekly service sheet to Amanda bookingsstjohns@gmail.com preferably by e-mail, or in writing. It would be helpful to receive this before * Tuesday * each week.



If you'd like to discuss arranging a baptism (christening), a wedding or a funeral, please call Amanda on

0208 6579466 or email bookingsstjohns@gmail.com



I am now away from the parish on sabbatical leave until 1st December. During that time I will have opportunities for prayer and reflection. So will you!

As priest and people together, it would make a real difference to me to know that we are praying intentionally for each other during this time apart.

So here is a prayer I will be using while I'm away. I'll be praying it for you and for me and I'd be grateful if you could pray it for me and for yourselves too.

Thank you! *Jenny*

Heavenly Father bless we pray the whole of our church family at St John's and the community we serve during this time of rest and reflection for Jenny. Guide and guard all of us. May we grow in friendship, in knowledge and in love for you and for each other; may we be refreshed and encouraged; and may we discover how we may continue to be a blessing to this church and our community through our worship and our service. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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.

The Parish Office is usually open

Mon-Thur 9am-2pm

****Parish admin or queries **Hall Bookings**Publicity for the church or hall**



Please call **0208 6579466 / 07958 682103**

Or email bookingsstjohns@gmail.com

CHILDREN AND HOLY COMMUNION

Children are welcome at God's table – if you are baptised, but do not receive the bread and wine, but think you might like to, you could consider asking to be admitted to Communion.

If you think you might be ready to make this next step in your Christian journey and would like to receive the bread and wine at our services, or just want to find out more, please speak to Jenny.

If you are a grown-up and want to know more about this important development in our life together, please pick up a leaflet from the back of church.

St John's Website

The website for our church can be found



www.stjohnsselsdon.org.uk

A message from the Rector...

I am away on sabbatical leave from 5th September until Advent Sunday 1st December. During this time life at St John's will continue with our Churchwardens Ian Harley and Robert Thornton in charge. I have arranged for a number of different visiting clergy to look after Sunday services, so hope you will enjoy welcoming some new (and not so new) faces while I am away.

For anything you would have asked me, including enquiries about baptisms, weddings and funerals please contact our parish administrator, Amanda at the parish office on 0208 6579466 or 07958 682103 you can also email her bookingsstjohns@gmail.com. Amanda will usually be in the office Monday-Thursday from 9am-2pm she will then put you in contact with the correct person.

Meeting God in Silence Mondays 6pm-6.30pm

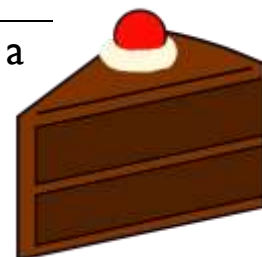
An opportunity to share a time of quiet in the Lady Chapel. Led by Susan Oakes and friends



All Welcome!



Please do join us for our monthly coffee mornings a great chance to catch up and make new friends



Our next monthly coffee morning is on

Wednesday 13th November at 199 Farley Road, CR2 7NP

St. John the Divine, Selsdon

Please join us for our next

CHORAL

EVENSONG

FOR REMBRANCE

Sunday 10th November 2019 6pm

Sung by the choir of St. John's

Director - Ian Brentnall

Organist - Jonathan Musgrave



Including

Introit: For the Fallen - Brentnall

Canticles: Sumsion in A

Anthem: For they gave their bodies - Aston

A wonderful end to the weekend, a great way to start the week.

ST JOHN'S SELSDON GARDEN ROOM

We hope you like it! If you do, tell your friends, if not tell me!

The church and Church Hall are now fully accessible for everyone and will soon be available for use for the benefit of St John's and the wider community of Selsdon. If you'd like to enquire about using the hall or the Garden Room, please contact Amanda on 07958 682 103 or email bookingsstjohns@gmail.com

Although we've done really well with fundraising, and securing funds from external sources, we do still need to raise a bit more to cover all our costs. So our fundraising continues – please continue to support events which will raise much-needed funds for the project

*If you would like to **donate** 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.*

If you would like any further information, please contact Gill Salter at 21 Rylandes Road, South Croydon CR2 8EB 0208 4059971 OR

salterg@outlook.com

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GARDEN ROOM PLANNED GIVING

We have received requests for a planned giving form to enable direct donations to be made 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.





PLANNED GIVING

The PCC has recently had to make decisions about spending considerable sums of money on the upkeep of the fabric and grounds of the church. You will surely have appreciated the sparkling clean windows and church and, soon to be undertaken, tree work, necessary for keeping the gutters clear and site tidy and fully accessible. These decisions are much easier to make when the church is assured of a regular set income and not reliant on occasional donations.

Would you consider to committing to regular giving under one of the existing church schemes, if you are not already doing so?

- By setting up a monthly, quarterly or annual standing order which, of course, can be gift aided. This gives the church the benefit of an extra 25% reclaimed from HMRC on your donation, if, of course, you are a tax payer.
- Do you know about our envelope scheme where a set of weekly envelopes are provided whether you are a tax payer or not?
- Or there are yellow gift aid envelopes in church which, of course, many of you already use.

If you would like more information – please contact Michael Lishmund who administers these schemes on behalf of the PCC. He can be reached by email – michaellishmund@gmail.com or phone 020 8651 2760.

Could you spare an hour on Saturday 30th November to help make the Christingles ready for the service on 1st Dec ?

If so I need a few helpers at 11am to give me a hand.

Meet in the church

Cuppa and a biscuit provided

Many Thanks

Amanda



ST JOHN'S CHURCH
CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE TREE



Christmas can be a difficult time if you have lost a loved one

This year St John's is again offering the opportunity to remember those we never forget by placing a label decoration on the Christmas Remembrance Tree

The tree will be placed in St John's on

Saturday 7 December 2019 until Epiphany, Sunday 5 January 2020 and will be dedicated at our

Quiet Christmas Service on Monday 16 December 2019 at 7.30pm

If you would like to take part by writing your loved one's name on a label to be attached to the Christmas Remembrance Tree, full details with dedication labels are available from the back of the church. Please take an envelope. We are grateful to Selsdon and District Funeral Service for kindly donating the tree this year

If you would like any further information or help please contact

Gill Salter on 0208 405 9971 or Ann Orchard on 0208 686 6163

!! The car park will be closed on 20th 21st and 22nd November for tree work being done around the church and car parking areas. !!



The next book sale will take place on Sunday 24th November at 11am in the church hall

The Angelfest Weekend is coming on 7th and 8th December and we need your help to make the weekend run smoothly.

If you can help with any of the following, please speak to

Gill Salter, Helen Lishmund, Jane G or Amanda Sinclair:



Could you be a helper on the day?

Could you donate a raffle prize or know someone who can?

Could you plant some flower bulbs in containers?

Could you donate some New Toys for the Toy Stall?

(no second-hand toys this year thank you)

Could you donate some teddies for the Teddy Tombola stall?

Could you make some cakes for the Cake Stall?

We will be collecting items for the fayre on the following dates:

Sunday 10th November: Unopened Bottles for the bottle stall



Sunday 17th November: Teddies for the Teddy tombola



Sunday 24th November: New Toys for the Toy stall



Sunday 1st December: Plants, Bulbs and Chocolates for the plant stall and Chocolate tombola

We will be collecting for the boutique stall from 10th November right up until the day and we need good quality unopened toiletries, Jewellery, scarves, gloves etc. if you have anything you think would be suitable please speak to Jane

Thank you.



Angelfest

St Johns Christmas Angel Weekend

ANGELFEST FAYRE

Sat 7th December 11am –3pm

**Children's activities , Father Christmas, Stalls
and
Refreshments**

!!! FREE ENTRY !!!

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Sunday 8th December 6pm

**A lively concert of Christmas songs with
Mulled punch and mince pies**

!!! FREE ENTRY !!!

**St John's Church, Upper Selsdon Road,
South Croydon, CR2 8DD
www.stjohnsselsdon.org.uk**

SERVICES AND OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

10th November 2019

Sunday

6.00pm Evensong for Remembrance

Monday

10.00am Baby and Toddler group

10.00am Prayer Circle meeting

6.00pm Meeting God in silence in the Lady Chapel

Tuesday

7.30pm Greater Chapter meeting St Francis Church West Wickham

8.00pm Wives Pre-Christmas meal See Jane for details of venue

Wednesday

10.30am Monthly coffee morning 199 Farley Road, CR2 7NP

Thursday

10.00am Baby and Toddler group

10.15am Said Eucharist

Next Sunday

8.00am Said Eucharist in traditional language

10.00am Parish Eucharist

Readings next Sunday at 10am:

Malachi 4.1-2a or 2 Thessalonians 3.6-13 Luke 21.5-19

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