



**St John the Divine Church,
Selsdon
Sunday 17th October 2021
Twentieth Sunday after Trinity**

Welcome

Welcome to St John's, we hope that you enjoy today's service. Sue Tilley and Monica Turton will be serving refreshments in the Hall after the service please join us.

PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME WITH YOU

Opening Prayer

God, the giver of life, whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church: by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ and make us eager to do your will, that we may share with the whole creation the joys of eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Post Communion Prayer

God our Father, whose Son, the light unfailing, has come from heaven to deliver the world from the darkness of ignorance: let these holy mysteries open the eyes of our understanding that we may know the way of life, and walk in it without stumbling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Hymns:	Opening: 433	O worship the King
	Gradual: 358	Father of the heaven (T:ii)
	Offertory: 265	Lord of beauty, thine the splendour
	Anthem:	Justorium Animae – Brentnall (first performance)
	Communion: 372	He who would valiant be
	Final: 378	Immortal love for ever full

First Reading – Isaiah 53: 4 – 12

Surely, he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases. yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth. like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice, he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.

The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore, I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death and was numbered with the transgressors.

yet he bore the sin of many and made intercession for the transgressors.

The Gospel according to

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.'

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

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For your prayers:

We pray for God's love to surround:

Jonathan Aitken, Linda Gordon, Chloe Lou, Michelle Lord,
Margaret Rapp, Marjorie Tarlton

We pray for those who have died recently:

Edward Brisset, Daniel Scott

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

18th October	Eric Oldham	(1997)
	Vera Garland	(2005)
19th October	George Robinson	(1981)
	Arthur Connop	(1985)
	Dora Butler	(1989)
	Malcolm Asbridge	(1993)
20th October	Charles McFarlane	(1986)
	Carole Hensher	(2014)
	Barbara Blunt	(2014)
	Peter Morris	(2014)
	Brian Hollands	(2020)
21st October	Horace Daniels	(1966)
22nd October	Anthony Chew	(2008)
23rd October	Janet Green	(2010)
	Ellen Daniels	(2010)
	Yvonne Berry	(2011)

If you'd like prayer either for yourself or for another, please email

Revd Younis revd.younis@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 speak to Younis.



If you'd like to discuss arranging any of the following

***Baptism (christening) *Wedding *Funeral * Home Visit
Please call Revd Younis on**

Tel: 0208 6572343 / 07504 721 294

email revd.younis@gmail.com

Just a reminder that nothing should be left at the church door if you need to drop anything off please do this on a Sunday morning or office times. Monday – Thur 9am-2pm or call Amanda on 0208 6579466 and arrange a time

For Your safety

The national restrictions have been lifted; however, the numbers are dangerously high so we need to think very carefully about how we conduct ourselves to ensure that those who are vulnerable and those who are anxious still feel able to come to church confident that they feel safe whilst they worship

With this in mind we ask the following:

- **Please wear a mask or visor entering and leaving the church and whilst processing up to receive communion**
- **Sanitiser will be available if you wish to use it**
- **Communion will continue to be in one kind for now**
- **Remain in your seats for the Peace and wave etc as we have been doing**
- **Though the green stickers have been removed from the seats please be aware that social distancing will feel more comfortable for many, do check that people are happy for you to sit near them and do try not to huddle in groups**
- **The children's area is open**
- **Please stay away if you feel at all unwell**

If you have any concerns, please speak to Younis or one of the wardens.

Meeting God in silence

Mondays 6pm



We meet in the Garden Room on Mondays at 6 pm for half an hour – time away from our busy and noisy world for silent reflection to ease you into the week.

The Croydon Refugee Centre is in desperate need of :

- **men's, women's and children's shoes inc trainers and sandals**
- **men's and children's clothing**
- **toiletries and food.**
- **toys for children aged four-to-twelve-year olds**
- **Saucepans**



All items need to be clean and in reasonably good condition.

Please rummage in your cupboards and donate any unwanted items to Debbie Brown.

Sandra and Douglas Walford

The ashes of Mum and Dad will be interred in the Garden of Remembrance on 24th October 2021 at 12 Noon. This will be preceded by a short service of commemoration.

Alongside the normal coffee in the Hall after the 10am service we will be offering drinks and canapés for all to enjoy. We shall be very pleased to see Mum and Dad's many friends from St Johns. Everyone is welcome to join us for the service.

Mum and Dad moved to Selsdon in July 1959 following their marriage and worshiped at St Johns until their deaths. Mum died on 24th October 2018 and Dad on 17th February 2020.

Nicky Athron and Richard Walford

Inside Out: The Croydon Area Lay Conference

Saturday 6 November 2021
10.00am – 3.30pm
Zoom



A day to celebrate all that lay people do beyond the walls of their churches. The keynote speaker is broadcaster and writer Andrew Graystone, author of the bestselling *Faith, Hope and Mischief*.

With worship and workshops including serving refugees, the environment, teenagers, grandparenting, the digital world, Black Lives Matter, art and generous living.

For more information and to register for this free online event, visit croydonlayconference2021.eventbrite.co.uk. Bookings close on 25 October.



Thank you all for your generous Harvest donations for the Croydon Refugee Day Centre. We delivered them last week and they are most grateful

Our Christmas collection will be donated to the New Addington Food Bank, more to follow in due course





Singing hymns and spiritual songs...

Our Communion hymn this morning is "To Be a Pilgrim" (also known as "He Who Would Valiant Be") and is the best known hymn using words of John Bunyan in The Pilgrim's Progress. It first appeared in Part 2 of The Pilgrim's Progress, written in 1684. The hymn recalls the words of Hebrews 11:13: "...and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth."

The words were modified extensively by Percy Dearmer for the 1906 The English Hymnal. At the same time it was given a new tune by composer Ralph Vaughan Williams, who used a melody taken from the traditional song "Our Captain Cried All Hands" which he collected in the hamlet of Monk's Gate in West Sussex – hence the name of "Monks Gate" by which the melody is referred to in hymn books.

For a time, Bunyan's original version was not commonly sung in churches, perhaps because of the references to "hobgoblin" and "foul fiend." However, one commentator has said: "Bunyan's burly song strikes a new and welcome note in our Hymnal. The quaint sincerity of the words stirs us out of our easygoing dull Christianity to the thrill of great adventure." Recent hymn books have tended to return to the original, for example, the Church of England's Common Praise.

Dates For your diary :

Sunday 14th November, 6.00 pm – Requiem Mass for the fallen

In place of our monthly Choral Evensong, we will be remembering those who have gone before, including the Requiem by Gabriel Fauré, sung by our choir and soloists.

Saturday 20th November, 6.00 pm – Southwark Diocesan Confirmation Service in the Cathedral

We are honoured that St. John's choir has been invited to be the choir at our Diocesan Confirmation service this year.

Sunday 28th November, 6.00 pm – Advent Carol Service

Sunday 19th December, 6.00 pm – Traditional service of Nine Lessons and Carols

Kind regards
Ian



Father Michael's Diary

15 October 2021

THE SOCIETY OF CATHOLIC PRIESTS

On Thursday with great regret, I gave up a job which has meant a great deal to me – being Provincial Secretary of the Society of Catholic Priests. It has been my privilege and joy to serve the society in this capacity for the last 17 years, but the time has come for me to make way for a younger person.

The Society was formed here in the Diocese of Southwark in 1994 following the vote to approve the ordination of women to the priesthood. The two existing societies for catholic-minded priests decided that membership was incompatible with approving women priests. As a result, those who did approve were obliged to leave. This was a very painful step for some of them who had to part company with men they had be friends with since college days.

The then Bishop of Southwark encouraged them to form a new society for mutual comfort and support and so the Society of Catholic Priests came into being. As members we affirm that the Anglican Communion is part of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church and has the right to ordain men and women to all three Holy Orders, we also acknowledge the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist and undertake to use and practice the seven sacraments. The society now has over 500 members throughout the United Kingdom and provinces have been established in North America and Australia.

Although I am no longer Provincial Secretary I am still a member of the society and you see its red cross badge in my lapel

READINGS AND PRAYERS

17 OCTOBER – TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY – Mark 10.35-45 – whoever wishes to be first must be the slave of all – for the spirit of service

18 OCTOBER – LUKE THE EVANGELIST – Luke 10.1-9 – the Kingdom of God has come near you – thanksgiving for the Gospel

19 OCTOBER – Henry Martin, Translator of the Scriptures, Missionary to India and Persia (1812) – Isaiah 55.6-11 - for all who teach the faith today

20 OCTOBER – Wednesday – Romans 6.12-18 – you have become slaves of righteousness – for perseverance in our Christian journey

21 OCTOBER – Thursday – Luke 12.49-53 – one household will be divided – for all unhappy families

22 OCTOBER – Friday – Romans 7.18-end – I can will what is right but I cannot do it – for all victims of addiction

23 OCTOBER – Saturday – Luke 13.1-9 – the barren fig tree – that we may be fruitful Christians

A Reminder for Contact clients Of our shopping bus scheme



Do you find it difficult to carry your shopping home? Would you like a helping hand?

Why not take advantage of this amazing service on offer through Contact?

The shopping bus runs on a fortnightly basis to Sainsbury's at Warlingham. Clients are collected from their home and are fully supported by our drivers and escorts. One to one help is available. (if you use a wheelchair) Each client is able to fill a maximum of three bags of shopping, during the hour in store. Help with packing is given and the bags are lifted onto the bus and upon arrival home, to your door. These sessions are treated as a social occasion by many of our clients, enjoying conversations on the bus and forming new friendships.

The cost of this is £7 per trip.....much cheaper than a taxi!

To take advantage of this offer please ring the office on **8651 4944** and leave a message for Gillian or Maureen, or pop in to see us. We are situated on the lower ground floor of the Selsdon Community Centre in the Sainsbury's Complex.

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"THE RETURN OF THE SUNDAY BOOK/DVD/SALES"



**TODAY SUNDAY, 17th OCTOBER after the service
and SUNDAY, 14th NOVEMBER**

Please leave donations of good quality

***Paperback books *DVDs *Childrens books *Games**

at:- The Parish Office Mon -Thur 9am -2pm *OR* In the Church Lobby on a Sunday before or after the service.

Unfortunately, please note, ..we cannot take CDs; hardback autobiographys/novels; or large heavy hardback books.



"Bible Questions"

Understanding the Bible: an overview

Join us

at St John's Church Selsdon

6th October - 17th November 2021

Wednesdays 10.00am - 11.30am

Everyone is Welcome

Help us warm up St John's This winter!

Team Scarecrows (Monica, Lesley, Eunice & Janice)

Will be out walking during the month of October, whatever the weather. Our target is to walk 30 miles. Money raised will go to the Project Warm Church Fund.

If you would like to join us on our Friday walks, please speak with a member of the scarecrows who will be able to advise on starting location.

Dates: Friday 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th October

Time: 10am start with lunch around 12.30pm

If you would like to sponsor us forms are at the table at the back of the church



CHRISTMAS COVER COMPETITION

for Selsdon's primary and nursery school children

Last time and date for entries to be received:

10am on Monday 15 November

Are you a budding artist at nursery or primary school and living in the SRA area (see website)? Or are you at the nursery and primary schools on Forestdale and Monks Hill or at CHS? If so, would you like to see your work on the cover of the December issue of the Selsdon Gazette?

All you have to do is make an A4 sized, suitably seasonal, drawing or painting. Put your name, address, school and date of birth on the back and then send it to the SRA using the letter boxes either at

KIBA, 119 Addington Road or Co-Op Funeral Care, 178 Addington Road.
Father Christmas and the SRA are very grateful for their help in this way.

Your artwork can be a picture of Father Christmas, a Christmas tree, Christmas presents or anything else Christmassy - or you can just design a Christmassy pattern. However, it has to be all your own work – nothing downloaded from an app or internet or a photograph!

The orientation can be portrait or landscape but please remember to leave a clear space (13cm x 4cm) for the Selsdon Gazette masthead and volume number/month details or have a full-page design that would allow this information still to be legible and not spoiling your picture or pattern if printed over it.

The winning entry will be used as a cover for the December Gazette and the winner and runner – up will both receive a voucher – to buy themselves or a favourite person a Christmas gift.

Thank you for those who attended Ros's funeral service, on behalf of the family. We were delighted to see so many familiar faces and Ros would have been too. We also have a few copies of the order of service left, so anyone who didn't get one or would like one should let you or the wardens know.

Ian

Church Diary

(Sun 17th Oct – Sun 24th October)

Sunday 17th	8am	Eucharist Service
	10am	Eucharist Service
Monday 18th	10am-1pm	Private Prayer
	6pm	Meeting God In Silence – Garden Room
Tuesday 19th	10am-1pm	Private Prayer
Wed 20th	10am- 1pm	Private Prayer
	10am-11.30	Bible Questions in the Garden Room
Thursday 21st	10am	Eucharist Service
Sunday 24th	8 am	Eucharist Service
	10 am	Eucharist Service

Coming Soon....

Sunday 24th October

Patronal Festival 10am in Church

Sunday 7th November

All Saints Service 8am and 10am

All Souls Service 6pm

Sunday 14th November

Services at 8am and 10am

6pm Requiem mass

Contact Us

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