



**St John the Divine Church,
Selsdon
Sunday 24th October 2021
Last Sunday after Trinity**

Patronal Service

Welcome

Welcome to St John's, we hope that you enjoy today's service. There will be fizz and canapés in the Hall after the service to remember Sandra and Douglas Walford please join us. You are also welcomed to join the Ashes service after the refreshments in the church at 12 noon.

PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME WITH YOU

Opening Prayer

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, 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 of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

<u>Hymns:</u>	Opening:	7	Hills of the north rejoice
	Gradual:	378	Immortal love, for ever full
	Offertory:	310	We hail thy presence glorious
	Anthem:		Come and Sing choir
	Communion:	294	Just as I am
	Final:	378	Immortal love for ever full

First Reading – Jeremiah 31.7-9

For thus says the Lord: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, 'Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel.' See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labour, together; a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

The Gospel according to Mark 10.46B-52

They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' Jesus stood still and said, 'Call him here.' And they called the blind man, saying to him, 'Take heart; get up, he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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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:

Daniel Scott

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

24th October	Henrietta Mills	(1987)
	Allan Simper	(1993)
	Charles Edwin Allen	(1994)
	Russell Bailey	(2004)
	Sandra Walford	(2018)
26th October	Audrey Patterson	(1983)
	Agnes Bates	(1988)
	Lawrie Sawford	(1988)
	Katie Burton	(2001)
27th October	Kenneth Hall	(2003)
	Gerald Taylor	(2013)
	Nancy Wadey	(2015)
28th October	Henry William Joyce	(1982)
29th October	Mabel Dingley	(1979)
	Fred Smith	(1979)
	William Ewing	(1991)
	Mark Young	(1996)
	Chanda Dougan	(2020)

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

COVID

The number of cases is rising significantly

- Please do not come to church if you are unwell
- Wear a mask as you come in and out of church and as you go up to take communion
- Remember all the other precautions that we have got used to taking and consider carefully whether you want to start keeping a bit more distance, wear your mask more etc

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**
- **Mugs**
- **Utensils**

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 Today (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.

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



Singing hymns and spiritual songs...

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

Thank you everyone who brought and bought for the Book Sales last Sunday.

We took the grand sum of **£85.00**

Next Sale will be on **Sunday, 14th November**

Please leave donations of good quality..

***Books *DVDs *Children's books *Games**

Please note! we cannot take CDs!

Many thanks

Brenda and John Williams



Father Michael's Diary

22 OCTOBER CURSILLO



I shall be away this weekend, not on holiday or even a mini-break, I shall be working hard running a Cursillo weekend in our Diocesan retreat house Wychcroft. So, you can get some idea of what I get up to when I'm not around I'd better explain what Cursillo is. Cursillo is a lay empowerment movement. In other words, it aims to motivate Christians to be active leaders, not only in the Church but wherever their lives take them.

The Cursillo movement started in the Roman Catholic church in Spain in 1949 In Spain the Civil War which started in 1936 only ended in 1939 a few months before the second World War began. So Spanish life was disrupted (although Spain was neutral during the War) for a period of 9 years or more. So, a group of Spanish Catholics got together to devise a programme to revitalise the life of the Spanish Church. They took as their model the pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostella and the spirituality of St Ignatius Loyola.

They came up with the idea of a Cursillo, a short intensive course, conducted over a three-day weekend (Thursday to Sunday) which would provide attendees (styled "pilgrims ") with a life changing experience which would motivate them to engage in more active discipleship. Cursillo was exported from Spain to the USA and thus to the Episcopal Church there and then to other parts of the Anglican communion. In this country it is organised in separate Diocesan organisations, and I am the Spiritual Director of Southwark Cursillo.

At a Cursillo weekend there is a mixture of activities: teaching, worship, meditation and music all aimed at encouraging the pilgrims to deepen their relationship to God and their commitment to Christian discipleship. The weekend is followed by regular group meetings and reunions aimed at maintaining the momentum established at the weekend. Pilgrims are not left to struggle on alone but are supported by a community of their fellow pilgrims. If anyone would like more information about the Cursillo movement just ask!

READINGS AND PRAYERS

24OCTOBER – LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY – Mark 10.46B-52 – Let me see again – for spiritual vision

25 OCTOBER – Crispin and Crispinian, Martyrs at Rome, c.287 – Wisdom 4.10-15 –he watches over his holy ones – all who suffer for the faith today

26 OCTOBER – Alfred the Great, king of the West Saxons, Scholar, 899 - 2 Samuel 23.1-5 – one who rules justly is like the light of morning – for Elizabeth our Queen

27 OCTOBER – Luke 13.22-30 – the last will be first – for evangelism at home and abroad

28 OCTOBER – SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES – Ephesians 2.19-end – Christopher our Bishop

29 OCTOBER – James Hannington, Bishop, Martyr in Uganda,1885 – Matthew 10.28-39 – those who lose their life for my sake will find it – the Church in Uganda

30 OCTOBER – Martin Luther, Reformer, 1546 – 1 Corinthians 4.1-5 – for the unity of all Christians.



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.

"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



Let it snow weekend **CHRISTMAS MARKET**

Christmas is coming and we are planning a Christmas Market to be held

Saturday 4th December between 11am and 2 pm

Would you be able to help by manning one of our stalls?

We will be looking for donations of the following items – Please put aside for the time being.....

Potted bulbs, Nearly new toys and children's books,

Bottles and chocolates and unused cosmetics and toiletries,

Jewellery and good quality home décor.

*If you would like to help please speak to Jane Guglielmi, Helen Lishmund,
Gill Salter or Janice White.*





Remembrance
Sunday

Sunday 14th November
Services at
8am and
10am (includes an act of
remembrance)

**6pm
Requiem Mass**

A physical reminder of all those that
have served and sacrificed

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

*Please see the sign up sheet at
the back of the church if you
wish to have a name of a loved
one read out during the service*

**All
Souls
Day**

**Sunday 7th November
6pm**

Service of Remembrance
of Loved Ones.

Join us to pray and to light a candle.



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Church Diary

(Sun 24th Oct – Sun 31st October)

Sunday 24th	8am	Eucharist Service
	10am	Eucharist Service
	12noon	Douglas and Sandra Walford Ashes service
Monday 25th	10am-1pm	Private Prayer
	6pm	Meeting God In Silence – Garden Room
Tuesday 26th	10am-1pm	Private Prayer
Wed 27th	10am- 1pm	Private Prayer
	10am-11.30	Bible Questions in the Garden Room
Thursday 28th	10am	Eucharist Service
Sunday 31st	8 am	Eucharist Service
	10 am	Eucharist Service

Coming Soon....

Sunday 7th November

All Saints Service 8am and 10am

All Souls Service 6pm

Sunday 14th November

Remembrance Services at 8am and 10am

6pm Requiem mass for the fallen

Saturday 27th November

Advent Reflections in the church 10.00am-12.00noon

Sunday 28th November

Advent Sunday 8am and 10am services

6pm Advent Carol service

Contact Us

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