

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

31st January Pilgrim course

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Please take this notice sheet away with you. There are copies available an electronic copy available should you wish to save some trees.

Items for the newsletter should be notified to the Churchwardens by Thursday morning.

If you have queries in coming weeks, or wish to add a name to the prayer list, please contact the Churchwardens on the contact details above in the first instance.

St Stephen, Norbury & Thornton Heath

Newsletter

14th January 2018

3rd Sunday of Christmas

Today	8am	SAID EUCHARIST
	10am	SUNG EUCHARIST
Tuesday	7.30am	NO SERVICE
Wednesday	10am	SAID EUCHARIST
Saturday	10am	SAID EUCHARIST
Next Sunday	8am	SAID EUCHARIST
	10am	SUNG EUCHARIST

OUR TWIN PARISHES IN ZIMBABWE AND THE USA. We are twinned with St Mark's Patchway and St Luke's, Chakari in the diocese of Central Zimbabwe. We will pray regularly for Fr Taurayi Kaerezi and his people. Please pray, too, for the Episcopal Parish of Grace in Chicago as it seeks to appoint a new priest.

PRAYING FOR THE PARISH. This month we are praying for all who live in Richmond Road, St Helens Crescent, St Helens Road and for people living outside the Parish.

THE BREAD AND WINE. It costs £5.00 per week to sponsor the elements to mark a special occasion or to remember a loved one. This week the bread and wine is sponsored by Edward and Vivien Job in memory of the Rev David Adlington of St Peters Folkeston who passed away on Thursday 4th January 2018 and who was greatly loved and missed by all. The elements are also sponsored by Millicent Arthur in memory of Ivy's Birthday.

Fr. MICHAEL COLLIS. We are saddened to learn this week of the passing of Fr. Michael Collis after a long period of ill health. Fr. Collis was Vicar at Stephen's from the late 1970's to early 1980's. Many of our longer standing members will have fond memories of him and his family, who we hold in our thoughts and prayers at this time. Fr. Collis until his death lived in Barnham, West Sussex, very close to where Sarah Tripp now lives (in fact they attended the same Church). We will let you know of detail of his funeral as we receive them."

THE PILGRIM COURSE. The third term has started. The sessions continue at 11am and 7pm on the following dates: 31st January, 28th February, 4th April and 2nd May. We are looking at the themes revealed in the Ten Commandments and their implications for Christian living. Booklets for the sessions are available for £5.00. New people are welcome to join at any time.

CHURCH HOUSE KEEPING: KEY AUDIT/KEY AMNESTY. We are undertaking a church and church hall key audit and amnesty. The purpose is to update the church records of our key holding parishioners. This will take place over the next 6 weeks to the 25th February. The action required of you is that if you hold keys for any of church doors, the church hall doors or the sheds (internal and external) please would you bring your keys to the church wardens after the service for identification and recording. If you no longer need your set of keys please do return them to the churchwardens. Thank you.

HOME INSURANCE. Ecclesiastical UK home insurance will donate £130 to the Church if you take out insurance with them Quoting TRUST 130 – Tel: 0800 783 0130. More information and contact details are at the back of the Church.

FATHER GEOFFREY. Fr Geoffrey has commenced a phased return to duties some of you may have already seen him. We continue to wish him well in his recovery.

SPECIAL THANKS. A very special thank you to all who worked so hard to make the Christmas and Epiphany services run smoothly.