

Dates to remember:

13th July Friendship and Fellowship group 10.30am church hall
25th July Premises meeting
7th October Licensing 7.30pm at St Stephen's
28th October Cleaning morning
14th December Cleaning morning

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Please take this notice sheet away with you. There are copies available to give to a friend or neighbour who is not able to be in church. There is an electronic copy available just give Andrea Anderson your email address.

Items for the newsletter should be notified to the wardens by Tuesday morning.

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St Stephen Norbury & Thornton Heath

Newsletter

7th July 2024

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Readings:

Ezekiel 2:1-5

Or 2 Samuel 5:1-5. 9-10

Psalm 123

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Gospel Mark 6:1-13

Sunday 7th 8am and 10am Mother Joyce

Wednesday 10th 10am Aileen Ross

Saturday No cover

Sunday 14th 10am Archdeacon Greg Prior

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 Father Taurayi Kaerezi and his people. Please pray, too, for the Episcopal parish of Grace in Chicago, and the Archdiocese of Jerusalem.

PRAYING FOR THE PARISH. This month we are praying for all those who live in Brook Road, Chessell Close and Dunbar Avenue. Our thanks to Helen Doe who carries out this important ministry. As we pray for those who live in our parish, it's good to use our own gifts and personal contacts to invite our neighbours to come to St Stephen's for a visit or a service.

THE BREAD AND WINE. The elements this week are sponsored by the Braithwaite family to mark the anniversary of their mother, Cecelia Amanda Brathwaite's passing. For £5.00 the elements can be sponsored and dedicated to a loved one or to mark a special occasion. Please speak to Andrea Anderson if you would like to book a dedication.

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS AND BLESSINGS. All bookings can be made by emailing vicar@ststephensnth.co.uk or by calling Mother Joyce on 07503747773. To check on preliminaries (especially charges for weddings) go to our website www.ststephensnth.co.uk

FOOD BANK. Thank you for your continued support of the Food Bank. Donations can be placed in the food box at the back of church. If you would like to give a financial gift, please see Aileen Ross.

SCHOOL GOVERNOR AT WINTERBOURNE NURSERY AND INFANT SCHOOL. Are you interested in becoming a school governor as a volunteer? Meetings are held 4 times per academic year, more often on Zoom. We welcome professionals who would like to support our school in continuing to move forward. For more information, please speak to Aileen Ross

FRIENDSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP GROUP. The group meets regularly, and all are welcome. The next meeting will take place on Saturday the 13th July at 10.30 in the hall. There will be a demonstration on candle making, a quiz and refreshments.

NEW PRIEST ARRANGEMENTS. The date for Father Daniel's licensing has been confirmed as Monday 7th October at 7.30. Bishop Rosemary will preside and preach and Rev'd Canon Mother Joyce Forbes will be invited to present. This will be our welcome service to Father Daniel and invitations will be sent to the Mayor, local dignitaries, community leaders, ministers from other churches, and members of the community.

FATHER DANIEL BURTON. Father Daniel has written to the congregation and a letter has been displayed on the notice boards, at the back of church, in the hall and on our website.

SUNDAY TEA AND COFFEE ROTA. We need more help on the Tea and Coffee rota. Volunteers work in pairs and should only do one Sunday a month. Please speak to Andrea or Lana for more information.

GARDENING HELP REQUIRED. Brian Halfacre has a memorial garden which he tends beside the church hall. Brian is asking for help in weeding the garden any support will be greatly appreciated. booke

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED AT CROYDON UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL. Leaflets are at the back of church with more information.