

## CALENDAR

### Sunday 26th January

8:00 am Pram Service  
9.00 am Said Eucharist  
10.30 am Parish Eucharist  
6.30 pm Evensong

### Monday 27th January

9.00 am Morning prayer  
6:15pm Wardens meeting

### Tuesday 28th January

9.00am Morning prayer  
9.30am Holy Molies  
10.30am Silver Socials  
3:30 pm Youth Choir

### Wednesday 29th January

9.00 am Morning prayer  
10:45 am Holiday Hunger Meeting

### Thursday 30th January

9.00 am Morning prayer  
12.30 pm Lunchtime Eucharist followed by simple lunch

### Friday 31st January

9.00am Morning prayer

### Sunday 2nd February

8.00 am Pram Service  
9.00 am Said Eucharist  
10.30 am Parish Eucharist  
6.30 pm Meditation



## JUST CHURCH

Providing a safe, sacred space of welcome and reflection particularly for those who have felt excluded. The next service will be:

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2020, 6:30 pm**

St Pauls Clapham, Rectory Grove  
SW4 0DX

[www.welcomingchurch.uk](http://www.welcomingchurch.uk)

We will be handing out flyers at the Two Brewers from 8.30pm on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February to advertise our JUST CHURCH services. Anyone is welcome to join us.

## ROBES NIGHT SHELTER



From this Saturday 25th January we will be hosting the robes night shelter for the homeless every Saturday night and Sunday morning. We still need plenty of volunteers to do all sorts of tasks. From washing up, serving food or even greeting people there is loads to do! So if you are able to help, please speak to Mtr Ruth or Anna Long for an application form.

## Please pray for

**For those who are sick:** Jane Bell, Heidi Bell, Albert Bell, Sara Carter, Ruby Mitchell, Enzo Saunt, Bernard Maciejko, Jane Taylor, Linda Parker, Christine Harris and Shirley Dobson.

**RIP** Michael Pollock whose anniversary of death falls at this time

## NOTICES

### SHARING IS CARING

Our local food bank is bursting with hungry people. Please support them by donating whatever you can. Urgently needed items include tinned meat, fish and vegetables, long-life milk and fruit juice, rice or sponge pudding, basic toiletries, laundry tabs and loo rolls. Find out more on their website: <https://claphampark.foodbank.org.uk/>



### ABBEVILLE FETE VOLUNTEERS

THE ABBEVILLE FETE IS BACK ! Saturday 20th June is Fete day and we need volunteers to help with: BAR; BBQ; BOOKS; BRIC-a-BRAC; CAKES; KIDS' STUFF; MUSIC; SALADS, VEGGIE & VEGAN FOOD; STRAWBERRIES & CREAM; TEAS; TOMBOLA. Fete day is a lot of fun and an important fundraiser. Please email Andrew if you can help in any way at: [treasurer@holyspirit-clapham.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@holyspirit-clapham.org.uk)



### CHORAL EVENSONG TONIGHT!

Come along to our church for the first Choral Evensong of the Year TONIGHT and join our choir in singing some of the best the Anglican musical repertoire has to offer. If you would like to find out more or join our choir please email our music director Andrei at: [musicdirector@holyspirit-clapham.org.uk](mailto:musicdirector@holyspirit-clapham.org.uk).



### YOUTH CHOIR

We are having enormous amounts of fun (and biscuits) on Tuesday afternoons at youth choir. We are still looking for additional helpers to look after these budding young vocalists. Youth choir runs on Tuesday afternoons from 3:30pm-5pm. If you think you may be interested please speak to Mother Ruth or Lilly in the office.

## CANDLEMAS NEXT SUNDAY

The feast of Candlemas marks the close of the Christmas-Epiphany season. As we celebrate Christ being revealed among us as the light of the world, we turn towards Lent and Easter and start to reflect upon how we are called to carry that light into the world. We will (of course) be processing with candles.

### FLAME LIGHT SONG PRAYER

(another excuse to set fire to stuff).



## CHRISTIAN AID REPRESENTATIVE

We are looking for two new Christian Aid Representatives to coordinate activities during Christian Aid week. Christian Aid has been working to eliminate poverty in some of the world's poorest countries for more than 70 years. Christian Aid week

is in MAY so there is plenty of time to plan. If you are interested please speak to Kathryn Newell. Last year, we organised a cake stall and a Big Breakfast event during Christian Aid week.

## SOUP

Ever free at lunchtime on Thursday? We need help serving soup at our Thursday lunchtime service. Serving the soup would be from 12:30—1:30. If you would like to know more please email [office@holyspirit-clapham.org.uk](mailto:office@holyspirit-clapham.org.uk)



## CONTACTS

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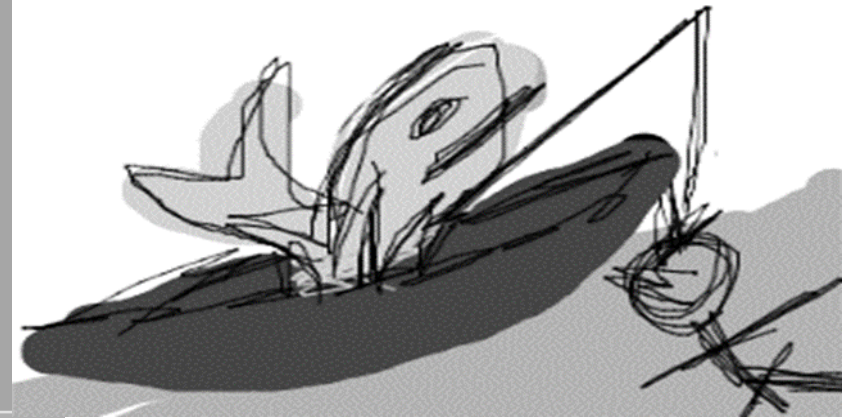
**Wardens:** Kathryn Newell and Paula Wilson [wardens@holyspirit-clapham.org.uk](mailto:wardens@holyspirit-clapham.org.uk)

**Music Director:** Andrei Lebed [musicdirector@holyspirit-clapham.org.uk](mailto:musicdirector@holyspirit-clapham.org.uk)

**Administrator/Parish Office:** Lilly Bell [office@holyspirit-clapham.org.uk](mailto:office@holyspirit-clapham.org.uk)

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# Holy Spirit



**Sunday 26th January 2020 Epiphany 3**

## WELCOME

Sunday School (from Reception age upwards) during term time & crèche all year round. For LARGE print hymn & service books ask the sidespeople. There is a loop system; please adjust the setting of your personal hearing aid.

## JOIN IN

Please come to the Lord's table: whether or not you are used to receiving communion. We gather as members of God's family to receive bread & wine or a blessing.

**Please stay for a drink & a chat after the service**

## SUPPORT

Thank you for supporting Holy Spirit. You can make your donation even more valuable by allowing us to reclaim the tax on your gift. Just fill in your details on the front of the

Yellow Envelopes.

**THANK YOU!**

## READINGS

**Isaiah 9:1-4** Written to a conquered and enslaved people, the prophet promises a time of rejoicing and freedom. It is interesting that this freedom will come from a place which reaches beyond the nation state, that looks not only to freedom and security for its own people but out towards the nations of the world: "He will make glorious, the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations."

**Matthew 4:12-23** The imperial violence and power that oppressed the land of Zebulun and Naphtali in the days of Isaiah is alive and well in Jesus' time: John the Baptist has been imprisoned. In response Jesus flees but there is no safe space to flee to. Like Christ we cannot forever avoid the effects of injustice and power inequality. We can seek to protect ourselves and our own, or we can, like John, take a stand and speak out. Jesus, echoing the prophecy of Isaiah, goes by the way of the sea, to "Galilee of the nations" where he calls others to make a choice: to try and survive or become "fishers of men" and work for the freedom of all.

Hymns:

569

448

621

630