



31 DECEMBER 2023

CHRISTMAS 1

11.00 am HOLY COMMUNION

with an activity table by the lectern

ST BARNABAS CLAPHAM COMMON

CHURCH FOR ALL - INCLUDING YOU

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WORSHIP

JANUARY

- 07th 9.30 Family Service
11.00 Holy Communion
- 14th 11.00 Morning Worship
- 18th 12.15 Taize Communion Service
- 21st 11.00 Holy Communion
- 28th 9.30 BCP Communion
11.00 All Age Morning Worship

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

Check the new youth programme for Sunday Groups **Splash** [Rec to Yr6] **Youth** [Yrs 7 to 13] for Sunday mornings and Friday nights.

Children and young people are welcome to stay in church during all services. There is an activity table for the younger ones by the lectern.

MIDWEEK

Daily Prayers Monday to Thursday, 12.00- 1.00pm

Taize Communion service: 18 January

PLACE OF WELCOME

Thursdays 10am-12pm – welcoming people to a place where they can feel safe to connect, belong and contribute.

GROUPS

BARNEY'S TODDLER GROUP

Barney's toddler group runs term time, on Monday and Wednesday mornings (9.30-11.00) for mums, dads, grandparents and their little ones. Resuming on the 8th.

SENIORS' ACTIVITIES

Keep On Moving classes: Resumes on the 2nd at 2.15pm

Community Lunch Thursday 18, 1pm

NOTICES

NIGHTSHELTER BAKING ROTA

The nightshelter has now been running for several weeks and reaching maximum capacity. With cold weather snap and sub zero nights, we will welcome up to 40 guests. If you would like to help and would like to provide dessert, please add your name to the nightshelter baking rota. Thank you!

GIVING ENVELOPES

Please speak to Sosy if you would like to collect a box of envelopes for 2024 for your regular giving. Thank you.

PLACE OF WELCOME

Our place of welcome will close for the next 2 weeks but will return on Thursday 11th January. We open between 10am and 12pm every Thursday, come in for a friendly welcome, refreshments, board games, a friendly chat. It is open to any members of the community, please spread the word to friends and neighbours.

125 FUND

Our 125th anniversary year is coming to an end but our 125 fund stays open. We hope to raise enough to fund 3 projects: new lighting, solar panels and new toilets! And we are pleased to share that we are making great progress and that 2024 will see some of them starting! Thank you all for your support to date.

SAFEGUARDING

If you have concerns about someone being at risk or causing a risk, please speak in confidence to Sandrine, the Parish Safeguarding Officer. A *Safe Church* which details safeguarding procedures is available for reference at the back of the worship area.

GIVING TO CHURCH

Your donations enable everything we do. On Sundays, you will find a collection plate for cash and envelopes as well as a card reader on your way out. We can gift aid the donations in the blue envelope. For regular giving, or to fill in a regular giving gift aid form, please visit our giving page or speak to Sosy or Sandrine.



*** PLEASE RECYCLE THIS NEWSHEET. THANK YOU ***

THE BIBLE READING Galatians 4.4-7 (NRSVA)

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law,⁵ in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children.

⁶And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' ⁷So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

This is the Word of the Lord:

ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD

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PEOPLE FOR OUR PRAYERS

We pray for those members of this church who are unable to attend:

Julie Joseph, Marva Braham, Alvy & Hawthorne Crawford, Mrs Reynolds, Dorcas Mattheson, Mrs Simpson, Esther Ayigbe, Pearl Foster, Lena O'Dwyer, Rebecca Lawrence & Hillary Thompson.

We pray for the health of Olive Harlequin, Earl Wilson, Nkem Anigbo, Sylvia Keane, Mio Sylvester, Susan Matthews and Rosie Binnie.

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THE GOSPEL Luke 2.15-21 (NRSVA)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke:

ALL: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD

¹⁵When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.' ¹⁶So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; ¹⁸and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

²¹After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

This is the Gospel of the Lord:

ALL: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST

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THE COLLECT

God in Trinity,
eternal unity of perfect love:
gather the nations to be one family,
and draw us into your holy life through
the birth of Emmanuel,
our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

OPERATIONS

Enabling the church's mission and ministry

WORSHIP & PRAYER

Spiritual growth through active involvement

MISSION & EVANGELISM

Faith in action that makes a difference to others

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Investing in God's plan for St Barnabas

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