

Newslink 28th May 2017

9.00 am	<i>Holy Communion</i>	<i>Preacher • Simon Stocks</i>
10.30 am	<i>HC Contemporary worship with holy communion</i>	<i>Preacher • Simon Stocks</i>
7.00pm	<i>Worship Night</i>	

New to Christ Church? If you are new and want to find out more, please speak to one of the Stewards or Welcomers who greeted you as you came in, or speak to the Service Leader who will be at the door as you leave. Programme, Information and Newcomers cards are available in the Foyer.

The week ahead at Christ Church 29th May – 4th June 2017

Mon	1.00pm	The bereavement support group will be meeting at 1.00pm on Bank Holiday Monday at Costa in Tesco's Purley. Please note change of venue.
Tue		
Wed	8.00pm	Prayer meeting led by Mother's Union (Church)
Thu	8.00pm	Hustings (church)
Fri		
Sat		
Sun	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Pentecost Celebration. Contemporary all age worship.

THY KINGDOM COME

Thy Kingdom Come is an opportunity for you to set aside time each day to pray for FIVE of your family and friends, for our local community and our nation – and to join a wave of prayer that is happening all over the world.

Pledge to pray for FIVE friends regularly, perhaps every morning, midday or evening by:

- Picking up a Prayer Card from Christ Church. Choose five people you would regularly like to pray for and write their names down onto your card. If you are not sure who to pray for, ask God to guide you as you choose.
- Collecting a leather band, available from Christ Church for a donation of 50p (or a piece of string or cord), and tie five knots in it to represent each of the five people you have committed to pray for. You could carry the knotted string in your pocket, tie it round your wrist or place it somewhere that you'll see it regularly. Use the knots to remind you to pray for each person on your list of five.

A full booklet will be available in church. There will also be another prayer event on the evening of Wednesday 31st May (8.00pm) in addition to a particular focus in our service between Ascension Day (25th May) and Pentecost (4th June).

Further info from Charles Trefusis / Jean Loh 020 8763 8291 office@christchurchpurley.org.uk

Looking to the future

Last Sunday we focussed in our services on how our local community has changed over the years and is continuing to change very fast and what God is saying to us as a church as we look to the future. We started to think how this will change in years to come and how it will affect what it looks like to 'be church' and what this means for our mission as Christ Church in the local area. This is just the start of a conversation and not a conclusion. If you missed the services do listen on the website <http://christchurchpurley.org.uk/Media/AllMedia.aspx>

GENERAL ELECTION 2017

Croydon South Hustings at Christ Church

Thursday 1st June 8.00pm – in the church. Come and meet the candidates and hear them answer questions.

Election Day

Thursday 8th June. We would like to have the church open for prayer from 7.30am -7.00pm, but we need volunteers who would be willing to be 'on duty' for an hour or two at a time. If you would like to help in this way, please contact the Church office / Martin & Sara Ryan. msenaryan@aol.com

CARE seeks to uphold human dignity and to support the most vulnerable people in society, engaging with politicians in the UK Parliaments & Assemblies and the EU institutions in its advocacy work. <https://www.care.org.uk/>

Letter from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York about the election.

<https://www.churchofengland.org/media-centre/news/2017/05/general-election-2017-archbishops-highlight-the-place-of-faith-in-british-life.aspx>

This Week

Bereavement Support Group

The bereavement support group will be meeting at 1.00pm on Bank Holiday Monday at Costa in Tesco's Purley. Please note change of venue. Contact Pauline Chapman for more details

Prayers in Church

Wednesday 31st May Prayers in church led by the Mother's Union

Future Dates

Christ Church Picnic for all ages

Sunday 4th June following the 10.30am service in the Rotary field or in Hebron Hall depending on weather. Info: Abraham Choong

Life in The Spirit

How do you feel about Mondays? In the places where you work does nothing seem to change? Come to Life In The Spirit Tuesday June 6th 8.00pm.... things might start to change for you?

Christians Against Poverty (CAP) Money Course

Saturday 10th June at the Purley Cross Centre. This is an excellent FREE course providing help on how to stay on top of finances. Open to all.

Take 5:

Feeling tired? Stressed? Busy? In need of a reboot? Why not take 5 hours out during the summer to be quiet, pray, listen to God and come into His presence? 10.00am – 3.00pm in a quiet house and garden in South Croydon. *[bring your own lunch]* Choose from one of 4 dates: Tue 27th

June/ Wed 19th July/ Mon 14th August/ Fri 1st September. Limited spaces. Reserve one now!
More details / booking contact Martin & Sara Ryan

Cowboy Joe and his Wild West adventure – booking now open!

Howdy Partners – we'd love for ya'll to join Grizzly, Netty and Miss Dynamite as we ride along with Cowboy Joe on his Wild West adventure! Saddle up and join us for our holiday club on 21st - 25th August @ 10.00am - 12.30pm for 5 -11yr olds. £20.00pp/week early bird price! PLACES LIMITED!
See flyers in the foyer for details.

Butterfly Baby Memorial Service

Sunday 28th May 3.00pm in Croydon University Hospital Chapel. A Baby Memorial Service for parents who have lost a baby of any gestation however recently or long ago. Free parking. Refreshments will be served after the service. Skilled team members are also on hand for support.

Croydon Episcopal Area Lay Conference 2017

Saturday 10th June 10.00am – 4.00pm. St. Bede's School, Carlton Rd, Redhill. Serve, Enable, Lead: Resourcing Discipleship & Lay Leadership. Tickets £15.00 per person. Refreshments and hot lunch included.

With Love Concert to support the work of CAP

Friday 23rd June 7.00 pm. Live music from *Baltimore USA* and our own *Miss Jones and the Imposters* in aid of Christians Against Poverty at Christ Church. Licensed bar and light refreshments. Book online at www.oldlodgelane.co.uk or in person at Purley Cross Centre or from Anna or Betty Jones.

Other news

Christian aid envelopes

If you have not yet made a donation for Christian Aid's work among refugees in Europe this Sunday is the last opportunity for you to put your filled envelope in the box in church. Collectors please remember to give in your bags to Judy Strawson or Kim Watts as the money needs to be paid in asap. THANK YOU!

Sound/ computer operators

Can you help by operating the sound / visuals desk occasionally? Full training will be given.
Info: Andrew Strawson

Newslink

Please note the deadline for receipt of information for the Newslink is Thursday at 9.00am.

Foyer Coffee Shop • Closed for Half Term
Church Office • Tuesday – Friday 9.30am -12.30pm only

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