CHRIST CHURCH PURLEY News

MAKING PASSIONATE DISCIPLES FOR CHRIST

13 November 2026



Sunday 15 November		Psalm 105:1–5
	8.45am	Holy Communion with Hymns
	10.15am	Worship service with Holy Communion, CCPreschool, CCKids and CCYouth
	3 - 5pm	Alpha
Monday	9am 9.15am	Foyer open Morning Bible study
Tuesday	7.30-8.00 am	Zoom Prayer Meeting
	9am 9.15am 9.30am 7pm	Foyer open Morning bible study Carousel Youth Group
	8 - 9pm	Prayer Meeting

Wednesday	9am 9.15am 12noon	Foyer open Morning bible study Midweek Holy Communion
Thursday	9am	Foyer open
Friday	9am	Foyer Open
Saturday		
Sunday 22 November		
	8.45am	Holy Communion with Hymns
	10.15am	Worship service with CCPreschool, CCKids and CCYouth
	3 - 5pm	Alpha

Dates for your diary

Nov 29	 6.30pm	Advent Sunday Gospel Service
Monday Nov 30	1pm	Bereavement Support Group
		Christmas Unwrapped in Church all week
Wednesday 3 Dec	12.30pm	Midweek fellowship
Sunday Dec 6		Worship for Everyone
Saturday Dec 12	3.30pm	Live Nativity starting at Tesco
Thursday Dec 17	2.15-4.30pm	Holiday @ Home Christmas Party
Sunday Dec 20		Carols by Candlelight



WONDERFULL CHRIST CHURCH VOLUNTEERS .....

Can you help us during the busy times of advent and Christmas?

Would you like to help with Christmas Unwrapped or to be part of the live nativity team?

Can you deliver some Christmas publicity?

How do you think that you can help?

How can you make a difference?

We need you!!







ROAD OF THE WEEK

We are inviting you to pray for our parish road by road throughout the year.
This week we are praying in particular for **Riddlesdown Road**
and all who dwell, work or travel there.

This Sunday is safeguarding Sunday.

This year's theme is 'Love Protects' – and is based on 1 Corinthians 13. It reminds us that safeguarding should never be just about policy or compliance, but is a natural expression of Christian love in action. Moreover safeguarding is not just for one Sunday a year but applies and should be in our thoughts on each and every day. We should be proud of all we do at Christ Church Purley: for all the people who are volunteers and who complete all the requirements regarding safeguarding and the DBS process. You are all stars!

"Safeguarding isn't bureaucracy. It isn't a distraction from ministry. It is ministry."

CHRIST CHURCH PURLEY

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND
www.churchofengland.org/safeguarding

Promoting a safer church

The care and protection of children, young people and adults involved in Church activities is the responsibility of everyone who participates in the life of the Church

House of Bishops Safeguarding Policy for children, young people & adults

IF YOU ARE CONCERNED

that someone you know is at risk of, or is being abused, or presents a risk to others, please seek advice from a Safeguarding Adviser or if necessary report the matter to the Local Authority Social Care Services or the Police without delay.

Local contacts available to speak to if you have any concerns:



Name: Jean Loh
Parish safeguarding officer
Tel: 07395 133640
E-mail: safeguarding@christchurchpurley.org.uk



Name: Caroline Obonyo
Parish safeguarding officer
Tel: 07395 133640
E-mail: safeguarding@christchurchpurley.org.uk

Name: Michael Browne
Role: Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser
Tel: 0207 939 9441 (Mon to Fri 9am – 5pm)
E-mail: safeguarding@southwark.anglican.org

Local Authority Social Services:

Croydon Single point of contact: 0208 255 2888 / 0208 726 6400 (out of hours)

If there is immediate Risk OR Danger please contact the police on 999.

OUR Commitments

- Promoting a safer environment and culture
- Safely recruiting and supporting all those with any responsibility related to children and vulnerable adults
- Responding promptly to every safeguarding concern or allegation
- Caring pastorally for victims/survivors of abuse or other affected persons
- Caring pastorally for those who are the subject of concerns/allegations of abuse and other affected persons
- Responding to those that may pose a present risk.

Helplines

- **NSPCC: 0808 800 5000**
- **Childline: 0800 1111 Stop**
- **It Now: 0808 1000 900**
- **NAPAC: 0808 801 0331**
- **Samaritans: 116 123**
- **Family Lives: 0808 800 2222 National**
- **Domestic Abuse Helpline: 0808 2000 247**
- **Men's Advice Line: 0808 8010 327**
- **National Careline: 0800 0699 784**



Thank you note.

A heartfelt thank you to the Christ Church Purley family for the warm welcome we received at Monday evening's service. Anthea, the children and I are deeply grateful for all the kindness, prayer and generosity shown to us, and to everyone who worked so hard to make the evening so special. We are excited for this new chapter together and look forward with faith and expectation to all that the Lord has in store for us as a church family. Above all, may Jesus Christ be glorified in all we do!

Revd. Blessing Chishanu



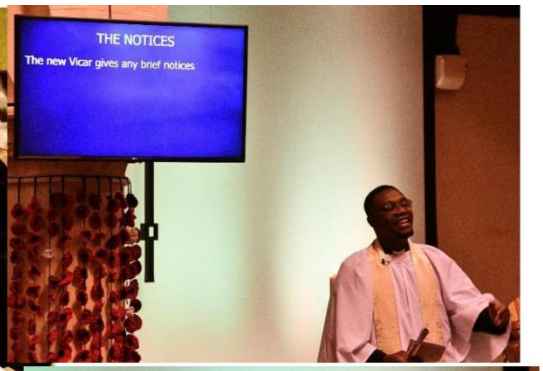
Thank you to everyone who helped make the service for Blessing such a joyous occasion on Monday. The service is still available to view online.

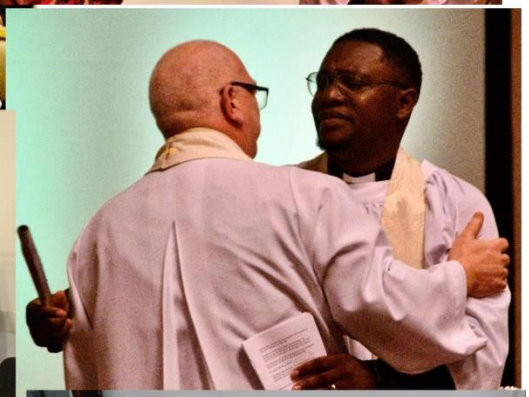
Institution and Induction of
Rev Blessing Chishanu





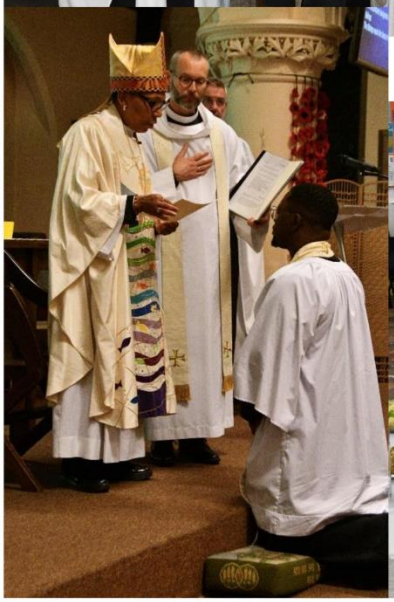



THE NOTICES
The new Vicar gives any brief notices



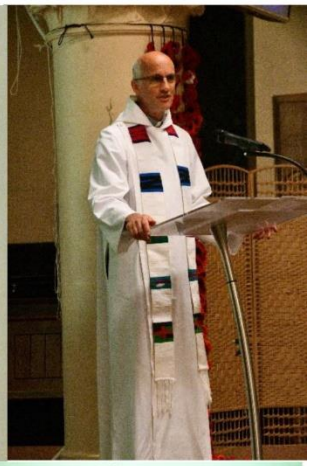


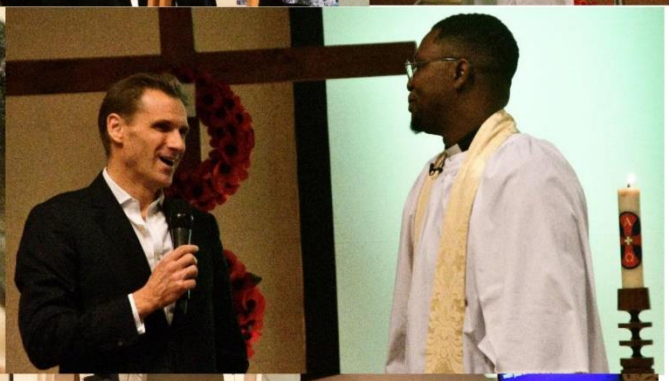






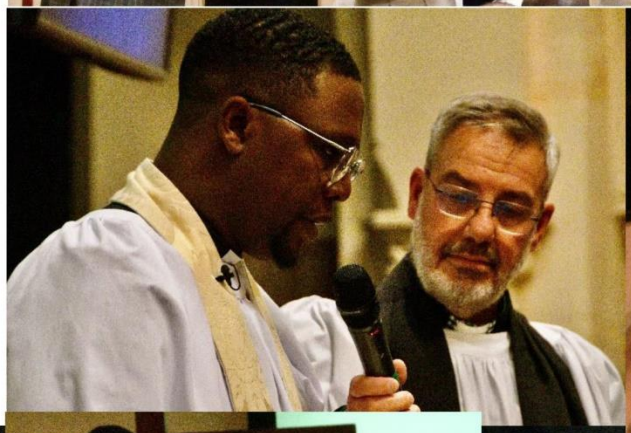


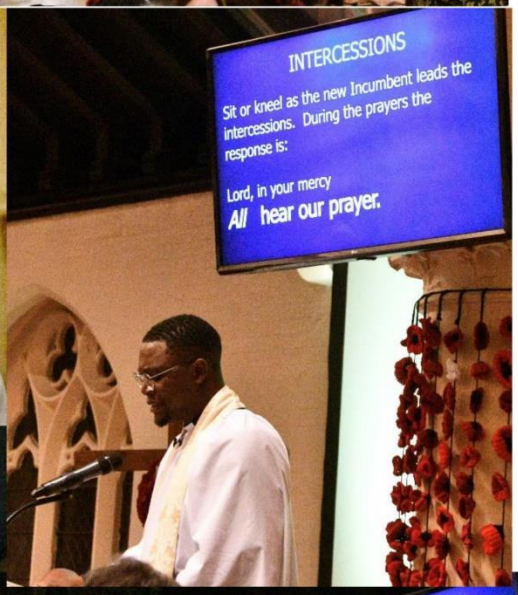



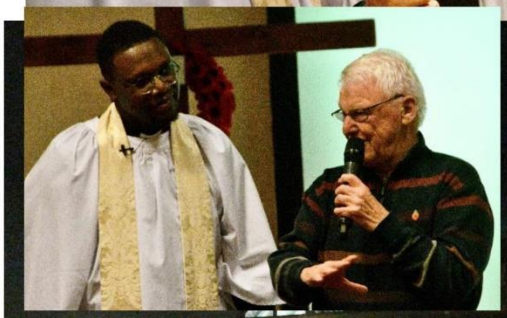









INTERCESSIONS
Sit or kneel as the new Incumbent leads the intercessions. During the prayers the response is:
Lord, in your mercy
All hear our prayer.




Please sit
THE SERMON
The Rt Rev'd Dr Rosemarie Mallett
The Bishop of Croydon & acting Bishop of Southwark

CHRIST CHURCH WEEKDAY PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY



Hineni Prayer Meeting

We would love to invite you to join us on Zoom **each Tuesday morning 7.30-8.00am**.

Please may we ask for you to include your name on your screen, but feel free to turn off your camera if you'd prefer.

Themes:

17 November theme "Look... and remember" [based on psalm 105: 4]

For more info please speak to Sara Ryan.

You can find the Zoom link in your My ChurchSuite calendar.



Prayer meeting every Tuesday evening at 8pm

A time for as many of us as possible to gather, wait on God, in person at the Church.
A time for as many of us as possible to gather, wait on God, and pray.
Hope to see you there.



Morning bible study

The morning Bible Study meets in the Foyer during term….
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 9.15-10am in the Foyer

A Psalm, an Old Testament reading and a New Testament reading, discussion of each and prayer for our parish and the world.

All welcome.

Ascension Trust Mission to Ghana, October 2026

Sue Keeler would like to thank everyone who contributed to the recent mission to Ghana. Your gifts of money, clothes, educational supplies and other items were greatly appreciated by Ascension Trust and the Apostolic Church of Ghana, who hosted us. The mission was a great success and Sue plans to give a presentation about it when a convenient time can be arranged.

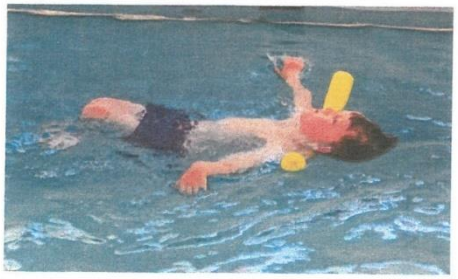
Harley's Christmas Fundraiser

Saturday 28 November 2026 10am-2.00pm

At Christ Church, Purley, Brighton Road CR8 2BN

In the Large Hebron Hall

All money raised will go towards providing specialist physiotherapy for Harley Stenning



Tombola

Homemade Cakes

Flavoured Gins

Bric a Brac

Handmade Cards and Decorations

Refreshments

Preserves

Handmade Jewellery and Gifts

Scan the QR Code to read Harley's story



Notice to Churches for Newsletters and Noticeboards

PURLEY FOOD HUB, together with local churches, will once again be supporting the local community this Christmas with two projects - *'Come Dine with Jesus*' and *'Toys for Joy.*

Come Dine with Jesus

We will be giving Aldi supermarket gift cards to local families who are in crisis so that they can purchase the ingredients for a Christmas meal. The gift cards cannot be used for alcohol or the lottery and are intended for those who may not be able to afford a traditional Christmas meal. Nominations will be made by Purley Food Hub's ticket partners. Accompanying the gift card will be some booklets with a Christian message.

Toys for Joy

We will be purchasing a toy and chocolate for each child nominated by ticket partners, and families will be invited to an event at Purley Baptist Church on November 28th from 2pm – 4pm when they can enjoy crafts and refreshments, as well as selecting a toy for each child. Please note we are not accepting toys – financial donations only please.

How to Donate

The value of each Aldi voucher is between £25 and £75. The cost of a toy or chocolate for each child is approximately £15. If you would like to make a financial contribution to either of these Christmas projects you can donate online by the following link or use the QR code below:
www.stewardship.org.uk/pages/PFHChristmas2026

If you prefer to send a cheque, please make this payable to 'Purley Food Hub' and write 'Christmas Projects' on the reverse. Send to Joanna Walker, Treasurer, Purley Food Hub, c/o Purley Baptist Church, Banstead Road, CR8 3EA.

How to Offer Help

We will need help delivering the gift cards to clients early in December, and also with 'Toys for Joy' during the afternoon of Saturday 28th November at Purley Baptist Church, when parents will be picking up toys with their children. If you can help with either of these projects, please contact me on the email below.

Salli Ransom
Purley Food Hub

Safeguarding
at Christ Church Purley

CHRIST CHURCH
PURLEY

Safeguarding Principles

The parish of Christ Church Purley takes the safeguarding and care of children and vulnerable adults very seriously.

SAFEGUARDING PRINCIPLES

Everyone protects boundaries and vulnerabilities by reporting.

1. EVERYONE: Everyone is the eyes, ears and heart of a safe **church**

2. PROTECTS: *Safe Church* intends to protect the vulnerable and the innocent and put off the perpetrator

3. BOUNDARIES: Safe Boundaries are key - if in any doubt, ask first

4. VULNERABILITIES: Power imbalance is always part of abuse - that's why we particularly safeguard children and vulnerable people

