

Vocations Forum

Each one of us is called by God to be a disciple and a worker in the vineyard. For some this calling is to exercise a form of recognised ministry in the Church, whether lay or ordained.

A vocations forum is an opportunity to reflect, pray and discuss with others what type of ministry God might be calling you into. The focus is on commissioned and licensed lay ministries and on ordained ministry as a Permanent Deacon or as a Priest.

Attending a vocations forum is a prerequisite to entering the discernment process for many ordained and lay ministries. We are committed to encouraging vocations in people who represent the full diversity of our Diocese and so everyone is welcome.

There are vocations forums throughout 2023.

You need your incumbent or chaplain to sponsor you to attend. They will then need to book your place through Sue Stewart, Vocations Team Administrator.

Saturday, 16th September, 2023 9:00 am-4:00 pm

Saturday, 18th November, 2023 9:00 am-4:00 pm

This year's Croydon North **Deanery Confirmation** will take place at **St Mark at 5pm on Sunday 1st October**. In this regard and for those aged 11 and upwards, who wish to be confirmed, please note that Confirmation Classes will begin at 6pm on Wednesday 16th August and conclude on Wednesday 27th September.

If you wish to be confirmed but are unable to meet on Wednesdays, then please let Mother Roxanne know so she can make an alternative arrangement.



This year's **Macmillan Coffee Morning** will once again be hosted by Marcia Bogle-Mayne on (the official day) Friday 29th September in St. Mark's Church Hall. This is a National Fundraiser in support of those who are living with cancer.

Next Sunday, 30th July at St Mark, during the 10am Parish Mass, we will be giving thanks for **Pam** as we celebrate with her, her family, friends and well-wishers, her **103rd birthday** – what a milestone!

St. Mark's Mothers' Union members (and whoever else they invite) will be providing the celebratory refreshments in the Hall after the Parish Mass – it would be good if as many as you as possible would join the celebration. Please feel free to invite those former members of St. Mark who might be available to attend.

Thank you to Cicelyn who managed to attend yesterday's **Anti-Racism Workshop** hosted by **the Croydon Racial Justice Committee**, at Christ Church, Purley. There's lots to report.

Welcome to the United Benefice of Holy Innocents & St. Mark, South Norwood

Sharing God's grace and love in our community



23rd July 2023

Vicar: The Revd. Canon Roxanne F. Eversley

Asst. Priest: Mother Susan Wheeler-Kiley

Reader: Mrs. Cicelyn Hinds

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am BCP Mass (St. Mark)

10.00am Parish Mass (Both Parishes)

*Isaiah 44.6-8 * Psalm 86 * Romans 8.12-25 * Matthew 13.24-30,36-43*

Access online worship via

www.youtube.com/c/StMarksSouthNorwood

CHURCH NOTICES

Today at St Mark, we welcome Mother Susan Height who's kindly agreed to provide cover for us at our 10am Parish Mass, as President and Preacher.

Mother Susan Wheeler-Kiley is providing cover (presiding and preaching) at St Paul's Thornton Heath.

Pastoral Care: Mother Roxanne is available on Tel. 020 8916 1830 or 07723 038215 or

mtrroxanne@gmail.com N/A on Mondays; Mother Susan is contactable on 07890 780572, N/A on Fridays.

We pray: for Archbishops Justin and Stephen; for the Bishops in this diocese - Christopher, Karowei, Rosemarie and Martin.

For the Bishops, priests, deacons and people in our link Dioceses of Zimbabwe; **and** in The Church of the Province of Central Africa.

St Barnabas, Southfields Ian Tattum (Vicar) (Area Dean); Joy Boyce (PTO)

For the sick – Richard, Jennifer & Reuben, Rose, Caroline, Susan, Pauline and Mick, Sigi, Marie-Gabrielle, Colin (Castle), Carmen, Rodney, Marina, Linda, Fred, Peter, Kay and Everard.

The bereaved – Claudette and the Hammilton family;

The recently departed – Ulric Hammilton;
Years Mind.

News from Croydon Churches Forum:

Mission Unstoppable holiday club

A **free** event for children aged 5 -11, from 29th August to 1st September, 10am -12pm, Selsdon Hall, Croydon Jubilee Church, 132 Addington Road, Selsdon CR2 8LA

Crafts • Games • Bible Stories • Children's Christian Songs • Snacks & Lots of Fun

For more information, please contact Janet from Forestdale Church - hello@innovationkidz.co.uk