

THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**

In our churches this week we will remember the service and sacrifice of all those that have defended our freedoms and protected our way of life.

We remember the Armed Forces, and their families, from Britain and the Commonwealth, the vital role played by the emergency services and by civilians and those who have lost their lives as a result of conflict or terrorism. It is also a time when we commit ourselves to work in penitence and faith for reconciliation across the nations, that people may live together in freedom, justice and peace.

+ DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES +

Safeguarding Sunday – “Actions speak Louder”

On **16th November** and over the following weeks, thousands of churches from diverse backgrounds and traditions will join together to shout about safeguarding and help protect vulnerable people. This initiative, spearheaded by Thirtyone:eight invites communities to come together to reflect on their safeguarding journey, and highlight all the good work that is being done to create safer places.

Imprint Gospel Choir will be holding rehearsals at Holy Innocents Church on the following Sundays at 3.00pm: **16th, 23rd and 30th November, and 7th December.** All are welcome to join.

Christmas Quiz – Monday 1st December at 6.00pm, Holy Innocents Church.

Everyone welcome – more details to follow.

***** THANK YOU *****

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to make the sandwiches for Nightwatch last Friday. We still need more volunteers to help from the end of November, and into December. Please contact Ann Squirrell if you can help in any way.

Thank you too for all the Harvest donations of food which have been delivered to Croydon Nightwatch and to St Alban's Church Food Bank.

--- ST MARK'S CHRISTMAS FAIR ---

Saturday 6th December – St Mark's Christmas Fair. It's not too early to start bringing items for the stalls. If you can help in any way, please contact Jan Dumbrell.

The Benefice Interregnum Prayer

Heavenly Father, we glorify Your name for Your blessings upon us. We pray for guidance and wisdom, Holy Spirit, in the process of appointing a new vicar for our United Benefice. Give us the right person to help us fulfil our vision here in South Norwood. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

*United together in Christ, shining Christ's light
in our community*



9th November 2025

Vicar: Vacant

Priest (PTO): Revd. Mother Susan
Wheeler-Kiley, TSSF, SCP

Priest (PTO): Revd. Ada Onyekwelu

Reader (PTO): Mrs. Cicelyn Hinds,

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8.00am BCP Mass (St. Mark)

**10am Parish Mass (Joint Parish Mass at
Holy Innocents)**

*Job 19.23-27a * Psalm 17 * 2 Thessalonians 2.1-5, 3-end *
Luke 20.27-38*

Access online worship via

www.youtube.com/c/StMarksSouthNorwood

CHURCH NOTICES

Pastoral Care: for enquiries regarding Holy Innocents, please contact Mother Susan 07890780572 fs.kiley@btinternet.com and for St Mark, please contact Mother Ada 07961728618 a_onye@yahoo.co.uk or Cicelyn Hinds (both churches) 02086562474 cahinds@btinternet.com

The Benefice is in vacancy. For Parish matters, please contact in the first instance, the respective church wardens, St Mark – Norma McKnight (ndwillis12@outlook.com) and Cicelyn Hinds (cahinds@btinternet.com) Holy Innocents – Church.warden@holynnocentschurch.co.uk

We pray: for the Archbishop of Canterbury elect, Sarah Mullally, Archbishop Stephen; for the Bishops in this diocese, Christopher, Rosemarie, Alastair and Martin.

For the Bishops, priests, deacons and people in our link Dioceses of Zimbabwe and The Church in the Province of the West Indies.

Oxted Team Ministry James Ashton (Team Rector) (Asst AD) Sue Bosley (Team Vicar) Judith Brooks (Assistant Curate) David Weightman (PTO) Fiona Lock (Reader) Susan Mallinson (Reader) (PTO). St Mary the Virgin, Oxted, St Mary's Junior CofE School, St Peter, Tandridge and St Peter's School.

For the sick – Richard, Barbara, Emma, Rona, John, Leonard, Reiss, Malik, Simon, Fred, Ethel, Terri-Ann, Marcia, Caroline, Revd Barbara, George and Rowena.

The bereaved – Stanley's family, Ann Squirrell, the Stephens and the Collins families, the Nicholls family, Pauline and the McOgg family. **The recently departed** – Stanley, Malcolm Stephens, Graham Nicholls and Vernon McOgg **and those whose Years Mind falls at this time.**