



8th February 2026
2nd before Lent

Bible Readings

Romans 8.18-25

Matthew 6.25-34

Collect

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. Amen

9am Hymns

Immortal, invisible MP 327 (omit v5)

Let us with a gladsome mind MP 415

Blessed assurance MP 59

Lord, the light of Your love (Shine, Jesus, shine) MP 445

Anthem: For the beauty of the earth - Rutter

Voluntary: Tuba Tune - C.S. Lang

Please Pray for

Southwark Diocese. Bishop Martin, Caroline, Carolyn, Nicholas, William, Jen, our clergy & THiS Team Ministry. Julie Martin, Mark Curzon. Pray also for the repose of the soul of Roy Smith and for his family and friends at this time

This Week

Today	8 4:45 – 6:15pm	Youth groups: Sitzler room
Monday	9 9am 9.45am - 11.30am 10am - Noon 5pm - 7pm	Morning Prayer: Chapel Brunch Bunch: Sitzler room Encore choir: Church Southside Academy Theatre group: Sitzler Room (Private hire)
Tuesday	10 9am	Morning Prayer: Chapel
Wednesday	11 9am 10am - Noon 7.30 pm - 9pm	Morning Prayer: Chapel Bereavement walking group AA Support meeting: Sitzler room
Thursday	12 10am - Noon 6.30pm	SMArties Choir practice: Sitzler room/Church
Friday	13 9am	Morning Prayer: Chapel
Saturday	14 9am	Morning Prayer: Chapel
Sunday	15 9am 10.45am	Holy Communion Worship together for all ages and stages

321 course

Have you got questions about God, the world and you? St Paul's Hook are running the 321 course, starting on Weds 7th Jan from 7-9.30pm for 4 weeks. This course invites you to see life the way Jesus does. Each session involves storytelling, interactive videos and conversation that help us better understand God, the world and ourselves. Contact Vicar of St Paul's Jen at revjenhoughton@gmail.com to find out more, or visit <https://321.speaklife.org.uk>

Lent materials

There are two recommendations for Lent. The first is from the Church of England and is designed to be used in a variety of ways from individual use to group use. There is a printed booklet* for adults and children but there is also a suite of online materials. Here are the highlights or you can read everything on the [Draw Near webpage](#). There is an adult booklet which is available from [Church Publishing](#). These are on the table as you enter the church. They cost us £2.30 each so please consider making a donation towards yours if you can. The children's version uses the same readings but has different activities. There is a [printable Wall Chart](#) for you to keep track of your challenges which is free.

KCAH - Urgent Request

The Winter Night Shelter provides five months of safety and security for up to 30 rough sleepers in Kingston. If you would like to get involved in this amazing project as a volunteer either of your time or a home-cooked meal. Email winternightshelter@kcah.org.uk

ST MATTHEW'S SOCIAL CALENDAR FOR 2026 (ONE-OFF EVENTS)

Mar	Sat 21st	3pm-5pm	Church	Games Afternoon
May	Sat 9th	7.30pm-9.30pm	Church	Desert Island Discs
June	Sat 27th	7pm-8pm	Church	Songs of Praise
Sept	Sat 12th	10am-4pm	Church	Heritage Open Day
Sept	Sat 19th	2.30pm-4.30pm	Church	Outside Games
Sept	Sun 27th	9am and 10.45am	Church	Patronal Festival with Lunch
Oct	Sat 24th	7pm-8pm	Church	The BIG Sing
Nov	Sat 21st	5pm-8pm	cornerHOUSE	Scottish Country Dancing
Dec	Tues 15th	6pm-8pm	cornerHOUSE	Community Carols

Safeguarding

Please contact Sue Fraser or Chris Taylor on 07895 501517 or to speak to someone in person if you have any Safeguarding concerns or questions. You can also ask Clergy or Wardens if the need is immediate.

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