

## Georgette's Christmas Gathering

Date for your diary - Friday 12th December at 7:30m at Jan Payne's home (16 Albany Court). The usual donations of food and drink would be much appreciated along with silly games and Christmas jumpers!

## Christmas Choir

We'd like to invite all members of our congregation to join the choir for our Carol Service on 14th December. The choir will be singing 4 pieces of music (suitable for all abilities). Please speak to our musical director, Sophie Clayton-Wareham: sef.clayton@hotmail.co.uk

## EcoTip No. 551 Happy wrapper

Look for unbleached greaseproof paper. This has none of the chemical compounds often to be found in bleached greaseproof paper. After use, you can scrunch up the sandwich-smear paper to provide valuable fibre for your compost heap.

## Support Aid for Jamaica

Donation drop off centre: Fishers Christian Centre @ Socco Cheta  
44b Portland Road, South Norwood, London, SE 25 4PQ.

Contact: 07307 870387. Items needed:

*Non-perishable foods, children pampers, adult pampers, tissues/toilet paper, feminine hygiene, toiletries, solar lights, torches, can opener.*

Financial donations can be made directly to the Red Cross:

[Donate to Jamaica](#) | [Hurricane Melissa](#) | [Disaster Fund](#)

## REGULAR GIVING

Please join the Parish Giving Scheme and set up a direct debit on this page:

[www.parishgiving.org.uk](http://www.parishgiving.org.uk) and then type in this parish code: **370637372**

## ONE OFF DONATION

St George's Church bank details are:

Sort code 60 - 23 - 22

Acc number: 44558422

*Please put your name as a reference.*

You can also use this QR code which will enable you to make a donation to Church Funds.



The Parish of  
**St George the Martyr**  
Shirley

# NEWSLETTER

✠ Following Christ ✠ Serving Community ✠ Welcoming All ✠

## Advent Sunday Sung Eucharist 30th November 2025

### Monday 1st December

9am Zoom Morning Prayer

9:30am Little Dragons (Toddler Group)

10:30am Pop-In (Senior's club in Hall followed by Christmas lunch at Wheatsheaf)



### Tuesday 2nd December

9am Zoom Morning Prayer

### Wednesday 3rd December

9am Zoom Morning Prayer

10am Church Cleaning

11.30am Eucharist in Lady Chapel



### Thursday 4th December

9am Zoom Morning Prayer

### Friday 5th December

9am Zoom Morning Prayer

Why not join us for  
Morning Prayer on Zoom?

User ID: 898 1412 8311

Password: 58L79A

## Next Week: 2nd Sunday of Advent 7th December 2025

Priest in Charge: Revd. Jenny Walpole  
07947 585326

Email: [rev.jennywalpole@gmail.com](mailto:rev.jennywalpole@gmail.com)

**Please remember in your prayers during the week**

**All those who live in:**

Freshfields; The Glade; Glade Gardens; Gladeside

**Churches Together in Shirley:**

The People of St. George's living in and out of the Parish

**Those in acute need, among them:**

Andrea Cordery; Steve Barrett; Alan Williams;  
Margaret Ziolek; Yvette Oburu; Jill Hollamby;  
Alison Stiff; Mike Wilkins; Chris Reynolds; Debbie Bell;  
Verity Johnson; Jay Tuggey; Louise Tuggey; Eric Webb.

**Those whose need is ongoing, among them:**

Bill Gibson; Garth Smith; Elizabeth Lovell; Mark; Sheila Dennis;  
Christine Lutman; Sue Moore;  
Shirley & Dave Ashdown; Pauline Russell; Gloria Dallas;  
Ann Hobbs; Joyce & Arthur Edgar;  
David Lawn; Lindsey Morgan; Sonia; Jean;  
Livingston Dallas; Paul; Ellen Maden; Louise Maurer;  
Brian Jacobs; Andy Hamilton; Brian; Poppy;  
Stephen Dhonau; Shirley; Mike & Chris Wareham;  
Pat Barrett; Doreen Offergelt; Jean Wells.

**Those who are no longer able to attend church:**

Pam Purkis and Heather Orton

**Those who have died recently**

Yvonne Sussex

**Those whose anniversary of death falls soon:**

Horace Southam Privett; James Albert Cornell;  
Doris May Pitt; Esther Tyler; Raymond Miles Mitchell;  
Dick Stoneham; Philip Brightwell;  
Arthur George Stanley Glover;  
Winifred Olive Alice Reeman; Margery Elizabeth Averill Smith

**Many thanks to all who helped with the Christmas Fayre!!**

**All are welcome to join an Advent Study Group:**

*They Sang* - based on the four songs of Christmas.

This will meet on Mondays at 7:30pm at 79 Shirley Way - 1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd December. Led by Liz Bebington: [lizbeb@gmail.com](mailto:lizbeb@gmail.com)

It will also meet on Wednesdays at 10am in the Lady Chapel - 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th December. Led by Rev'd Hilary Fife: [hefifes19@gmail.com](mailto:hefifes19@gmail.com)

**Carol Singing at Peter Kennedy Court**

The choir will be joining the Brownies for carol singing at Peter Kennedy Court on Tuesday 9th December. We will arrive from 6pm ready to start singing at 6:15pm. Everyone from the St George's congregation are very welcome to join us!

**Funeral Details for Yvonne Sussex**

Yvonne's funeral will be held on 2nd December at 11:30am at St George's. Followed by the cremation at Beckenham Crematorium. The wake will be at 1:30pm, The Elm Tree in Elmers End. All are welcome to all parts of the day. No flowers but donations to St Christopher's Hospice (see Mears Funerals website). For catering purposes please contact Elizabeth Hart if you intend to come to The Elm Tree on 01424 773 137 or email: [elizabeth.jane.hart@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:elizabeth.jane.hart@hotmail.co.uk).

**Homemade cards for sale**

Jan Turner will be selling her handmade cards in the Church Hall after the service on 7th and 14th December.

**Shrublands Trust Foodbank—Most Needed Items**

<input type="checkbox"/> Instant desserts	<input type="checkbox"/> Instant jelly	<input type="checkbox"/> Tampons
<input type="checkbox"/> Fish	<input type="checkbox"/> Potatoes, tin/instant mash	<input type="checkbox"/> Vegetables
<input type="checkbox"/> Coffee	<input type="checkbox"/> Spaghetti in Sauce	<input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian Meals
<input type="checkbox"/> Fruit Juice	<input type="checkbox"/> Sugar	<input type="checkbox"/> Laundry Tablets

If you would like to make a cash or cheque donation (payable to St. George's Shirley PCC), please place it in an envelope marked "Foodbank" and place it in the offertory bag during the collection. Thank you.