

Sunday Services

8.00am Holy Communion Christ's Chapel

10.00am Parish Communion St Barnabas

With groups for children and a creche

On the **first Sunday** of the month this is replaced by '**Communion Together at 10**', during which there is a crèche but no children's groups

10.00am Morning Prayer Christ's Chapel

On the first and third Sundays of each month

6.30pm Evensong Christ's Chapel

On second and fourth Sundays of each month

6.30pm Evening Prayer St Barnabas

A sung service on the first Sunday of each month.

Where they are

St Barnabas Church Calton Avenue SE21 7DG

Christ's Chapel Gallery Road SE21 7AE

Weekday Services

9.00am Morning Prayer Tuesday and Friday

St Barnabas

5.00pm Evening Prayer Tuesday, Wednesday

and Thursday St Barnabas

Wednesdays 10.30am Holy Communion St

Barnabas

Youth Service

In the New Year 2005 we shall be working with other local churches to put on a Youth Service run by young people for young people. If you are year 9 or above and would like to help plan, or organise, or offer your musical talents to the band, please contact Mary Scott or William McVicker via the Parish Office 8693 1524 or mary@redthread.tv

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Spring Forward

Dianna Gwilliams Vicar and Foundation Chaplain

Greetings from the staff and congregations of St Barnabas and Christ's Chapel. This issue has some news of some of what's happening in the parish between now and Easter. Easter 2005 is one week shy of the earliest it can be, so there will be little of the New Year before it will be upon us.

Currently we are beginning to look forward to Christmas. The obligatory race is on to see which pop song will be Christmas No 1 and our first cold snap has reminded us of how difficult the winter can be for those inadequately housed, or on small fixed incomes.

At this time in the parish we begin our Advent Appeal for the Homeless, a year round appeal which supports different local projects working with homeless people and those poorly housed. There is a box in the Reception Area of St Barnabas where clothes can be left. Donations of new men's pants and socks and toiletries are particularly welcome. On the 5th of December at 10.00am at St Barnabas is the annual Christingle Service. This service is especially suitable for children and the retiring collection will go to the Children's Society.

I'm sure most vicars would say the same, but we receive a lot of sympathy at Christmas time as people expect that to be our busiest time. Although it is busy, Easter is actually busier as the preparation for Easter, Lent, is six weeks long, and the week just

before Easter is one of particular focus with times of worship and reflection. Details of Christmas, Easter and regular services can be found inside.

Christ's Chapel and St Barnabas are regularly open to visit or to pray. St Barnabas, each day between 11.00am and 3.00pm and Christ's Chapel on Friday afternoons via Dulwich Picture Gallery cloister between 1.30pm and 3.30pm.

In all the activity which the next few months will bring may something of the peace at the centre of the Christmas story be present for you and for your family.

Christmas Services

Sunday 5 December

10.00am Christingle Service - St Barnabas

Sunday 19 December

6.30pm Parish Carol Service - St Barnabas

Friday 24 December Christmas Eve

3.00pm and 4.30pm Crib service - St Barnabas

Children are invited to dress as a character from the Christmas Story

11.30pm First Communion of Christmas - Christ's Chapel

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25 December Christmas Day

8.00am Holy Communion - Christ's Chapel

10.00am Festival Communion - St Barnabas

Children are invited to bring a present to show everyone

10.00am Holy Communion with hymns - Christ's Chapel

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So it is important to keep buying Fairtrade brands

Since already this year we have broken the £5000 sales barrier, Meg and I did want to thank all those who have supported this practical Christian and humanitarian cause, helping third world producers by helping on stalls, placing orders and above all by buying, whether a lot or a little each month.

It is almost incredible to read (Guardian 22/11/04) that, having seen the success of Fairtrade brands such as Cafedirect, the two largest coffee roasters in Britain, Kraft Foods and Nestle, are planning to launch their own 'ethically aware' brands. It appears however that they are planning to pay only a 20% premium over the open market price for green coffee beans of about 65 US cents (about 35p) a pound, compared with the flat rate of \$1.21 paid to farmers under the Fairtrade scheme. So it is important to keep buying Fairtrade brands - whether from us or any good supermarket.

Meanwhile Churches in Herne Hill and Dulwich are planning to appoint a Trade Justice Worker (10 hours a week initially, at a FT rate of £25,000) to generate local awareness and enthusiasm, lobbying for the Trade Justice agenda in 2005 and beyond, organising events and activities and maintaining contact with national bodies. Full details and application forms (returnable by Tuesday 14 December) are obtainable from Andrea Eagleton, 020 7738 7434, or by E-mail: hhuc@fish.co.uk. Lastly a reminder that while we look forward to serving you monthly at St. Barnabas at 11.15 am, (next dates being 12th December, 8th January, 6th February, 13th March and 17th April), if you are

really pushed the Traidcraft Shop at All Saints, top of Barry Road by the Plough, with a larger stock and selection, is open 10am - 4pm Monday to Friday.

Many thanks again, and good coffee drinking, Meg and Jim Hammer.

Dulwich Picture Gallery

Activities taking place at Dulwich Picture Gallery over the next few weeks include a series of events linked to the exhibition Quentin Blake at Christmas, which began in October and carries on until 16th January. A selection of the famous illustrator's works will be on sale until 25 November; on Sunday 12th December the gallery will be running cartoon workshops for children; and on the afternoon of Sunday 9th January Quentin Blake himself will invite young would-be illustrators and their parents to join him in specific drawing tasks and talk to them about the results. For more information about events at the picture gallery call 020 8693 5254 or have a look on their website www.dulwichpicturegallery.org.uk

St Barnabas Winter Market

Many thanks to everyone in the parish who supported the St Barnabas Winter Market on Saturday 20 November, either by running stalls or by visiting us in the Parish Hall and buying lots of goodies. The market raised in the region of £2000, which is a very welcome addition to church funds.

Wednesdays@St Barnabas

Have you ever wondered what to do with the questions about faith which come up when listening to the news? How do you make sense of the sermons you hear in church? What's a Christian response to current moral and ethical issues? Do you want to know more about Christianity?

These issues and others are addressed in the next series of Wednesdays@St Barnabas. Beginning on the 12th of January each session will provide an opportunity to learn in company with others. Each Wednesday from 12th January to 9th March (inclusive) at the Barnabas Centre, Calton Avenue, provides space to hear about and discuss some aspect of faith and current issues and is suitable for adults and young people in Sixth Form. Our evenings begin with a hot meal available from 7.30pm then from 8.15pm until 9.15pm there is an opportunity for study. This takes two forms.

Christianity Explored is a course using Mark's gospel as basic material. This course explores the person and character of Jesus, the nature of the church and the nature of salvation. It is particularly suited to those who would like to study the basics of Christianity in a structured way, or those who have not yet been exposed to Christian teaching.

Christianity Expanded is a course based on your questions, and therefore will be shaped by the questions brought by the course participants. It is especially suited to those with some Christian background, those already confirmed or those who have already done a Christianity Explored course. So... over to you!

Each course will use a combination of talks and group discussion as a format and all participants will, of course, be together over the meal at the beginning of each evening.

Attendance is free and we ask for a donation of £1.50 towards the cost of the meal each evening. If you'd like to know more please telephone the Parish Office (020 8693 1524).

Lent and Easter Services

10.30am Wednesday 9 February *Ash Wednesday*

Holy Communion with the Imposition of Ashes - Christ's Chapel

8.30pm Wednesday 9 February *Ash Wednesday*

Holy Communion with the Imposition of Ashes - St Barnabas

8.00am and 10.00am Sunday 20 March *Palm Sunday*

Services as usual.

Act of Witness (*see article for details*)

Holy Week:

8.30pm Monday 21, Tuesday 22, Wednesday 23 March

Compline with reflection - St Barnabas

8.30pm Thursday 24 March *Maundy Thursday*

Holy Communion - St Barnabas

10.00am Friday 25 March *Good Friday*

All Together at Ten - St Barnabas

(*A service particularly suitable for children*)

11.00am Friday 25 March *Good Friday*

Veneration of the cross - Christ's Chapel

2.00pm Friday 25 March *Good Friday*

The Final Hour at the Cross, music and meditation - St Barnabas

8.30pm Saturday 26 March *Holy Saturday*

Easter Vigil, Service of Light and

Renewal of Baptismal Vows - St Barnabas

Sunday 27 March *Easter Day*

8.00am Holy Communion - Christ's Chapel

10.00am Festival Communion - St Barnabas

10.00am Holy Communion with hymns - Christ's Chapel

Evening worship at St Barnabas

Whatever your mood, you may find a source of calm

How do you feel on a Sunday evening? Exhausted? Contented? Depressed perhaps at the thought of another working week beginning? Are you desperate for some time to yourself in a hectic household, or struggling with loneliness if you live alone?

Whatever your mood, you may find a source of calm and solace or a means of sharing your contentment with others by coming to an evening service at St Barnabas. These take place at 6.30pm on the first Sunday of the month. As a general rule they take the form of Choral Evensong. We use the beautiful new liturgy devised for Common Worship, which uses modern vocabulary but preserves the rhythms and the intentions of the old prayerbook services.

The music is led by the St Barnabas Chamber Choir of adults and teenagers, using a range of traditional Anglican settings for the canticles (the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis); confident sightreaders who are unable to commit themselves to membership of the main church choir are welcome to join us for these services, for which we rehearse at 5 pm.

Variations from Choral Evensong do occasionally occur, as for example on Sunday 5 December, when we will be having a service of Holy Communion for Advent; and there is no evening service on 2 January. However the normal pattern will be resumed on 6 February.

All are welcome at these services, which can provide a still space at the end of the weekend before the weekly routine resumes, or a valued time of fellowship with others for those whose lives are less busy. If you can, do come along.

Palm Sunday Presentation

Singers, actors and backstage helpers are all needed

St Barnabas and Christ's Chapel will be marking Palm Sunday on 20th March with a special afternoon act of witness linking our two places of worship, under the auspices of Churches Together in Dulwich. It will take the form of a short prologue in Christ's Chapel, followed by a Procession of Palms through the village and up the hill to St Barnabas, where there will be a liturgical drama with music, lasting about an hour.

Singers, actors and backstage helpers are all needed to take part in this event. The music will be directed by Marilyn Harper and the drama by Tricia Thorns. The chorus and actors' company from Passion Play 2000 will be reassembled, but new members are very welcome – there are no auditions. Rehearsals for singers will take place on Wednesday evenings from 26 January at 8.00pm in Christ's Chapel and for actors on Sunday afternoons starting in the new year – date to be confirmed.

Please contact Tricia Thorns on 020 8693 1484 if you would like to be involved in any capacity.

Christmas Praise on the South Bank

Local resident Noel Tredinnick, with his All Souls Orchestra, the Christmas Praise Choir, speaker Richard Bewes and choirs and soloists from London schools will be giving a concert of Christmas music in the Royal Festival Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 16 December. Proceeds will go to Compassion, a Christian charity that aims to provide an escape route from poverty for children in vulnerable circumstances. The evening will include a feast of Christmas music, including carols for choir and audience. Box office 0870 401 8181 www.rfh.org.uk. For more information about Compassion ring 01932 836490 www.compassionuk.org

Don't be Home Alone

If you (or someone you know) will be alone on Christmas Day why not come along to a Party at Dulwich College on **25 December**. There will be a free traditional Christmas meal and entertainment, and free transport door to door. Lunch will be served at 12noon. Please ring John Clark on 7-703 2163 to book a place. If you can help on the day or are willing to drive your car please ring Les on 8-693 5207.

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Christ's Chapel News

Jim Hammer Congregation's Warden

Remembrance Sunday was marked by a service on a perfect Autumn morning around the War Memorial. It was led by a parade of some 300 cadets, mainly from Alleyn's School, with wreaths laid on behalf of the schools and trustees of the Foundation and the last post being sounded.

The Dulwich College chapel choir will be singing Choral Evensong on 5th December and presenting a Festival of Carols on 12th December, both at 6.30pm.

Services at the Chapel over Christmas are given elsewhere.

On Tuesday 14th December at 7.00pm Dulwich Picture Gallery celebrates the season with Music for Christmas, featuring musicians from Dulwich Prep, celebrity readings and of course carols. There will be a glass of wine and mince pies in the Gallery to follow. On the following Tuesday, the 21st, at 6.30 pm the Concordia Chamber Choir will be giving a charity Christmas Concert in aid of 'Warchild'.

Looking ahead to next term, the Dulwich College Chapel Choir will be singing Choral Eucharist at 10.30 am on 30th January, Choral Matins at 10.30 am on 27th February and Choral Evensong at 6.30pm on 20th March. Throughout the period services in accordance with the Book of Common Prayer will be as usual, with Holy Communion every Sunday at 8.00am, Morning Prayer at 10.00am on 1st and 3rd Sundays and Evensong on the 2nd and 4th. Finally a reminder that the Chapel is open to visitors via the Picture Gallery cloister every Friday afternoon from 1.30pm to 3.30pm.

Ruth Cole, deputy warden, joins me in wishing all a Happy Christmas and rewarding New Year. Jim Hammer, Congregation's Warden.

Advent Appeal

Homelessness remains a massive problem. In 2003-4 137,000 households in England were accepted as homeless, that is eligible for assistance, unintentionally homeless and in priority need. A practical way in which we can respond to this problem is to support projects that have a lot of experience in helping homeless people. Churches in Dulwich & Herne Hill are once again supporting an appeal to help 11 projects in SE London. Five Day Centres providing food clothing, medical and housing advice, four hostel/advice centres helping young single people, a hostel that works with people with alcohol and drug addictions, and a furniture recycling project. Leaflets describing these projects and ways we can help them are available at St Barnabas and Christ's Chapel. Donations may be sent to Ted Salmon c/o St Barnabas. Cheques should be made payable to the St Barnabas PCC Social Responsibility Network, and preferably supported by a Gift Aid declaration.

As part of our response to the Appeal we are collecting new men's pants and socks for the Oasis Health Centre. These can be left in a box in Reception at St Barnabas. As part of our response to the Appeal we are collecting new men's pants and socks for the Oasis Health Centre. These can be left in a box in Reception at St Barnabas.

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The Children's Society
St Giles Trust
Kairos Community
The Manna Society
Christ Church, North Brixton
Shaftesbury Resources Centre
Oasis Health Centre
No 3 Cerise Road

The Children's Society

Please support the Children's Society's petition to make England safe for young runaways. Petition forms are on a table in Reception at St Barnabas.

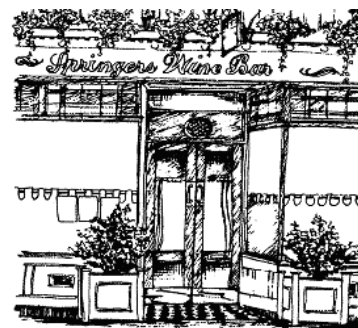
Over 100,000 children under 16 run away from home or care every year. Most are fleeing abuse or conflict - yet there is no national network of safe places for them. As a result many sleep rough or are taken in by strangers who may harm them. One in four first time runaways is under age 11, and these children are most likely to be attacked or abused on the streets. The Children's Society is launching a petition to convince the Government that they must provide a national network of safe places for young runaways. It is also urging local authorities to implement Government policies to

make their area safe and sound for children at risk. Currently only 43 out of 150 have done so. The Society is looking for 100,000 signatures - one for every runaway child. Please help to improve life for the children most at risk in our communities.

Christ's Chapel was consecrated in which year?

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Springers Restaurant Wine Bar



Springers is one of the longest established restaurants in the area and with an emphasis on quality of food and wine, we have catered to the varied tastes of the local residents for over eighteen years.

There is a wide range of options to choose from, from the full A La Carte menu to the lunchtime special and the bar snacks. The wine cellar at Springers has a diverse and interesting list, especially the South African selection. Most of the wines are young but are of the highest quality and offer satisfaction to most discerning palates.

The walled garden at Springers is extremely popular throughout the summer for eating al fresco so it is advisable to book early if you want to enjoy its secluded splendour.

Children are welcome

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