

Dates for your diary

Every Tuesday during August 9 am Church prayers, St Stephen's
12th and 13th Oct 9am - 5pm Global Leadership Summit, St Mark's
Battersea Rise
1 to 3 March 2019 Church weekend at home, St Thomas'

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NOTE: The office hours are 9am to 12pm during August and we will be open 2 mornings a week due to staff holidays.

Please submit any notices or queries on or before the Tuesday of each week.

We implement 'A Safe Church Procedure' to ensure child protection and safeguarding procedures are followed to keep everyone safe.



St Thomas with St Stephen

August 2018

Sun 29 th July	10.15 am	Holy Communion
Sun 5 th August	9 am	Said Communion
	10.15 am	Morning worship
Sun 12 th August	10.15 am	Holy Communion
Sun 19 th August	10.15 am	Morning Worship
Sun 26 th August	10.15 am	Holy Communion with anointing

There is no evening service during August.

Please ask a welcome team member if you would like a large print copy of the service words.

Children and young people leave for their groups after the first songs.

During communion please indicate if you would prefer a wafer.
Non-alcoholic wine is available at the front on the right-hand side

We offer prayer after the service, in the sofa area at the front.

We hope you enjoyed the service.

Please stay for refreshments afterwards.

If you are new, we would love to meet you at the end of the service.

Please fill in a blue 'Get connected' card.

Information about church services and activities is available on the Welcome Desk and in the *What's On* Leaflet.

Notices

Summer Youth Club at St Stephen's

Praise God for a great week at the Summer Youth Club! We had around 45 young people from our local community aged 10-14 enjoying sand art, spray paint canvas, DIT lava lamps, fruit slushes, football etc. Praise God for a great team of volunteers who made it all happen. Have a look at our brand new @stwssyouth Instagram for photos from the week.

Join the STwSS Fantasy Premier League 2018/19

Join the STwSS league by using this code link and you'll be added automatically after you've entered the game: fantasy.premierleague.com/?autojoin-code=488026-102857. You shouldn't need the league code, but just in case here it is: 488026-102857.

Community Garden

Over the summer we will continue to meet for gardening on Sunday afternoons 2-4 or later if the weather is very hot. If you are passing at any time and would like to do a bit of watering this would be appreciated. There are watering cans by the tap. Help yourself to herbs, runner beans and tomatoes if you see that they are ready to pick.

Summer children's work on Sunday mornings

Many of our team are on holiday over the summer holidays and so children's ministry will run slightly differently.

Under 5s – play on the mats at the back of church or go the mini church room as normal where you can get the toys out but please put them away after.

Parents need to stay with children

Reception to year 5 - DVD, board games and craft in the upper hall. Parents *may* be asked to stay if we need extra helpers so please accompany your children to this group and the Kids church team will let you know. If your child is going into Reception in September do feel free to come and drop them in. Children will join you at the end of the service as normal.

Youth Church – runs as normal

Clapham Park Foodbank

We are continuing to experience high demand so please keep your donations coming in! There are boxes in both churches to leave food and toiletries in. Thanks to all of you who regularly donate; it is appreciated.

Church Vision Night, Wednesday 12th September, 8pm, St Thomas'

Come and hear of our plans for the New Year as we pray and worship together. With cheese and wine and other refreshments.

Rosalind Powlesland's Memorial Service, Sunday 2nd September 5pm

We will be holding a memorial service at St Thomas' in loving memory of Rosalind. It'll be a short service with Bible readings and songs. During the service, people will be invited to share memories of Rosalind. We be dedicating an apple tree in the community garden to her. Afterwards, we will serve food and drinks in the café.

Monday 24th September at 6.30pm in St Peter's Church, Vauxhall.

The Diocese is organising an event: 'Making your Church Warm and Welcoming' - to help you to make your Church a more welcoming space. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/making-your-church-warm-and-welcoming-tickets-47988137812>. Speak to Martin for details

Marriage Sessions, over 4 Tuesday evenings, starting 30 October

Whether newlyweds or married for years, The *Marriage Sessions* are a fantastic opportunity for couples to invest in and enrich their marriage. Some couples do the course to intentionally invest in their relationship, others are looking to address more specific challenges. See website for details.

New Website!

We are excited to announce the relaunch of our church website: stwss.org.uk

Prayer Requests

Summer Youth Club- thanks for the Youth Club and pray that good lasting relationships will be built with the young people who came.

Foodbank – for the volunteers and clients. That the Foodbank will be able to meet the high demand, when many volunteers are away. Thanks for a success

For the bereaved – especially the families of Maureen Hodges, Terry's daughter, and Rosalind Powlesland.

Café – for the preparations for its opening in September and for the new General Manager and Café Manager.