KESTON PARISH CHURCH

MONTHLY PEW SHEET December 2025



Sun	7 th Dec	8 am 10am	BCP Holy Communion Christingle & Toy All-Age Service – No Communion
Mon	8 th Dec	7.40 am	Morning Prayer
		8 am	Said Communion
Tue	9 th Dec	5.30 pm	School Carol Service
Wed	10 th Dec	3pm	Rotary Carols + mulled wine
Fri	12 th Dec	2.30 pm	Choir Practice
Sun	14 th Dec	10 am	Holy Communion Service
Mon	15 th Dec	7.40 am	Morning Prayer
		8 am	Said Communion
Tue	16 th Dec	7.30 pm	PCC Social
Wed	17 th Dec	9.30 am	Prayer Walk
		7 pm	Men's Group @ Greyhound
Thu	18 th Dec	2 pm	Christmas flower workshop
Fri	19 th Dec	2.30 pm	Choir Practice
Sat	20 th Dec	11.20 am	Healing & Wholeness Service
Sun	21st Dec	10am	Holy Communion Service with
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		6.30 pm	prayer for Healing & Wholeness including Sunday School Keston Church Carol Service
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WELCOME to this service today, especially if you are a visitor. Hope you leave feeling blessed and minded to come again. If you use a hearing aid, please put it to the "T" setting. Large print copies of the service are available – please ask.

HOLY COMMUNION is offered every Sunday at 10am (except the 1st Sunday of the month when it is at 8am) & each Monday morning at 8am. At Communion we come together as members of the one Body of Christ. Everyone is welcome at the Lord's Table, the table of Jesus Christ. Please all come up when invited by the Sidespeople. Those who wish for a blessing, please come up with everyone else and keep your hands by your side. If you require a gluten free wafer please inform one of the welcomers or the rector before the service. Holy Communion is offered in both kinds with wine in the Common Cup. Should you still be anxious, do come up for a wafer, and then return to your seat. Receiving in one kind is to receive the sacrament in its entirety.

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & FUNERALS – These are important landmarks in the life of any family. Your Parish Church is here to mark these important times with you. Baptisms, also called Christenings can be conducted at any age – please ask. Confirmation is the next step if you were baptised as a child or an infant, and is usually offered just after you start Secondary School and is when you make the promises for yourselves. Don't worry if you have passed that age, God always welcomes you. If you get baptised as an adult, you will usually be invited to be confirmed at the same time. Please speak to Reverend Belinda to register your interest, and she can be contacted by email rector@kestonparishchurch.org.uk or 01689 853186 regarding any of the above.

1ST **SUNDAY OF THE MONTH SERVICE** is Celebrational Worship and is a non-Communion service including contemporary hymns and songs. It is a service of the Word (built around the Word of God in scripture) and is intergenerational and suitable for all the family. Tea, coffee, squash and biscuits are offered after the service. All are very welcome. Bring a friend.

CHRISTINGLE & TOY SERVICE - Sun 7th Dec @ 10 am – Bring along new toys (or cash) for the Salvation Army to distribute to local families that need extra support. Collection will go towards the Children's Society Charity.

MONDAY - MORNING PRAYER @ 7.40am followed by HOLY COMMUNION @ 8am (½ **hour).** A good start to the week as we place our week in God's hands. We pray for the needs of our Parish, its Church and its Community. Please do pop by on your way to work. There is a free car park while you attend. All are very welcome.

PRAYER WALKS – Every 1st Tue & 3rd Wed of the month, Tue 2nd & Wed 17th Dec, then Tue 6th & Wed 21st January. Please come along with or without a dog, and enjoy a good natter, then stop, reflect and pray. We assemble at 9.30 am on Commonside on the green near the Greyhound Pub, and usually end up at/in Heathfields at 11ish to have a 'cuppa'.

MEN'S PUB SOCIAL – Every 3rd Wed of the month 17th December, then 21st January at the Greyhound pub at 7 pm.

CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENT WORKSHOP - Thursday 18th Dec @ 2 pm in Church Hall. Come along to this fun afternoon where you can make your Christmas arrangement, with guidance and help from an experienced flower arranger. Just bring flowers (fresh and artificial), baubles, candles, dishes and greenery to transform into a show stopper for this Christmas time, either to have at home or give as a gift. Oasis can be purchased on the day.

WELCARE IN BROMLEY CAROL SINGING in the Glades, Bromley on Thursday 18th December. Join us if you can. We will meet at the top of the escalators near Boots at 11 am and continue until 12.30 pm. We have plenty of song sheets. You are very welcome to come along if you enjoy singing. Whatever we raise, the company one of Members works for, will triple the amount, so please support us.

HEALING & WHOLENESS at 3RD SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE – On the 3rd Sun of each month, (21st Dec & 18th Jan) church members will be happy to pray with and for you. A Healing and Wholeness service with anointing is usually offered on the 2nd Sat of each month at 11.20 am, but in December it will be the 3rd Saturday - 20th Dec. All welcome.

SUNDAY SCHOOL every 3rd Sunday of the month – We have now begun this important outreach for all children to go into the hall for some fun activities and Bible teaching within the Sunday Service. All are very welcome, please tell your neighbours and friends. **Next Sunday School at 10am on 21st Dec, then 18th Jan.**

CAROL SERVICE – SUNDAY 21ST DECEMBER @ **6.30 PM** – Come along for a traditional service of Seven lessons and carols, followed by mulled wine and mince pies in the hall. Bring your friends!

CRIB SERVICE – WEDNESDAY 24TH DECEMBER @ 4 PM – Come along to this non-Communion service. Hear and be part of the story of Jesus's birth. Children are invited to come dressed up as a nativity character, if they wish.

CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE – WEDNESDAY 24^{TH} DECEMBER @ 11.30 pm

CHRISTMAS MORNING SERVICE – THURSDAY 25TH DECEMBER @ 10 AM – a family friendly communion service.

CHURCH SOCIALS – the next Church get together is a lunch on: Tue 6th Jan 2026 @ 12.30 pm at 222 Café on the Common, then Wed 25th Feb at The Greyhound at 7 pm. Please put your name on the list if you would like to come along.

BEAT THE BLUES COFFEE MORNING – Sat 17th Jan in Church Hall. Entrance £4 includes coffee/tea and home made cake. Spread the word and bring a friend!

FOODBANK DONATION BOX – This will be in the Foyer - please help out those in need in these difficult times by donating a tin or jar of food, each time you shop. Your help and kindness is gratefully received. Thank you.

7th December – Christingle & Toy Service – 2nd Sunday of Advent

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and Saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God. Amen

Isaiah 11: 1 – 10; Matthew 3: 1 – 12 (NLT Bible)

14th December – 3rd Sunday of Advent

God for whom we watch and wait, you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son: give us courage to speak the truth, to hunger for justice, and to suffer for the cause of right, with Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Isaiah 35: 1 – 10; James 5: 7 – 10; Matthew 11: 2 - 11 (NRSV Bible)

21st December – 4th Sunday of Advent

Eternal God, as Mary waited for the birth of your Son, so we wait for his coming in glory; bring us through the birth pangs of this present age to see, with her, our great salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Isaiah 7: 10 – 16; Romans 1: 1 - 7; Matthew 1: 18 – end (NRSV Bible)

24th Dec - Christmas Eve - Midnight Communion

Eternal God, in the stillness of this night you sent your almighty Word to pierce the world's darkness with the light of salvation: give to the earth the peace that we long for and fill out hearts with the joy of heaven through our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

Isaiah 52: 7 – 10; Hebrew 1: 1 – 4; John 1: 1 – 14 (NRSV Bible)

25th December – Christmas Day

Lord Jesus Christ, your birth at Bethlehem draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth: accept our heartfelt praise as we worship you, our Saviour and our eternal God. Amen

Isaiah 9: 2 – 7: Titus 2: 11 – 14: Luke 2: 1 – 14 (NRSV Bible)

28th December – The Holy Innocents

Heavenly Father, whose children suffered at the hands of Herod, though they had done no wrong: by the suffering of your Son and by the innocence of our lives frustrate all evil designs and establish your reign of justice and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord, who was alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Jeremiah 31: 15 – 17; 1 Cor. 1: 26 – 29; Matthew 2: 13 – 18 (NRSV Bible)

OUR SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT - We want our church to be a safe place for everyone – a place where the love or God shines through all we do. Therefore, in accordance with the Government, the Church of England, the Charity Commission and our insurance company, our workers/volunteers are safely recruited (including DBS check if legally eligible), regularly trained and we adhere to Diocesan Safeguarding Policies. Our Safeguarding Officer can be contacted on safeguarding@kestonparishchurch.org.uk if you have any questions or concerns.