KESTON PARISH CHURCH

MONTHLY PEW SHEET

November 2026

Sun	**1st Nov**	**8 am**	**BCP Holy Communion**
		10 am	**Celebrational Service (w' baptism)**
		3pm	**Service for the Bereaved (short)**
Mon	**2nd Nov**	**7.40 am**	**Morning Prayer**
		8 am	**Holy Communion**
Tue	3rd Nov	9.30 am	Prayer Walk
Fri	6th Nov	11 am	Baby & Toddler Group
		2.30 pm	Choir practice
Sun	**8th Nov**	**8 am**	**BCP Holy Communion**
		9.45 am	**Short non Communion Service**
		10.45 am	**Meeting at War Memorial for Act of Remembrance**
Mon	**9th Nov**	**7.40 am**	**Morning Prayer**
		8 am	**Holy Communion**
Fri	13th Nov	11 am	Baby & Toddler Group
		2.30 pm	Choir practice
Sat	**14th Nov**	**11.20 am**	**Service of Healing and Wholeness**
Sun	**15th Nov**	**10 am**	**Holy Communion Service with prayer for H & W and Sunday School**
Mon	**16th Nov**	**7.40 am**	**Morning Prayer**
		8 am	**Holy Communion**
		6.45pm	**HC followed by PCC at 7.30pm**
Wed	18th Nov	9.30 am	Prayer Walk
Fri	20th Nov	11am	Baby and Toddler Group
		2.30 pm	Choir practice
Sat	21st Nov	7pm	Church Quiz
Sun	**22nd Nov**	**10 am**	**Holy Communion Service**
			Demelza Charity Sale
Mon	**23rd Nov**	**7.40 am**	**Morning Prayer**
		8 am	**Holy Communion**
		2 pm	Book Reading Fellowship
Wed	25th Nov	12.30 pm	Church Social @ The Crown
Fri	27th Nov	11 am	Baby & Toddler Group
		2.30 pm	Choir practice
Sun	**29th Nov**	**10 am**	**Holy Communion Service**
		12pm	Rescheduled Parish Lunch
Mon	**30th Nov**	**7.40 am**	**Morning Prayer**
		8 am	**Holy Communion**
Fri	4h Dec	11 am	Baby & Toddler Group
		2.30 pm	Choir practice
Sat	5th Dec	2 pm	Christingle making
Sun	**6th Dec**	**8 am**	**BCP Holy Communion**
		10am	**Christingle & Toy All-Age Service – No Communion**

WELCOME to this service today, especially if you are a visitor. We 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.

GENTLE REQUEST – Please take your seats five minutes before the start of the service and hold a gentle silence. This is a time to prepare ourselves to be present to God and avoid all distractions. The organ will become silent and there will be an opportunity to listen for what God might be saying to us in the depths of our hearts. Other reflective times are during/immediately after Holy Communion. Please respect this time to allow others to pray.

HOLY COMMUNION is offered every Sunday at 10am (except the 1st Sunday of the month when it is at 8am) & each Monday 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 if you or any of your family would like to be confirmed.** She can be contacted by phone on 01689 853186 or email at: rector@kestonparishchurch.org.uk regarding any of the above.

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

PRAYER WALKS – Every 1st Tue & 3rd Wed of the month, 3rd & 18th Nov (then 1st & 16th Dec). Please come along with or without a dog, and enjoy a chat, 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'.

KESTON BABY & TODDLER GROUP IN KESTON CHURCH HALL – from 11am – 1 pm Every Friday - Term time only until 11th December (restarting 15th January). Come along for songs, story, space and time with other small and big people, all very welcome! If you are able to help with offering refreshments, please let Chris Rowland know.

HEALING & WHOLENESS at 3RD SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE – On the 3rd Sun of each month, (15th Nov, & 20th Dec) 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 (14th Nov, & 12th Dec) at around **11.20 am**. All welcome.

SUNDAY SCHOOL (3rd Sunday) 15th NOVEMBER - Bible-based activities and teaching for all children during part of the Sunday Service. All are very welcome.

SERVICE FOR THE BEREAVED – SUN 1ST NOV @ 3pm. A short service of hymns and prayers, remembering the lives of family members and friends who have died. There is a list at the church for names of those loved ones who have died to be added, these will be read out and remembered within the service. All are welcome, do join us for tea, cakes and chat in the hall after the service.

WELLBEING COFFEE MORNING – SAT 7TH NOV @ 10 am. Come along for coffee/tea and cake, together with friends for a fun morning of chatting, and discussing our Wellbeing.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 8TH NOVEMBER – Church service starts @ 9.45 am, followed by the Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial beginning at **10.45 am**. Parking for church vehicles is available in Heathfield Car Park before 10.30am. **If you have mobility difficulties please ask to get closer, this may be able to be accommodated.**

- Keston Commonwealth War Graves booklet -

An A4 booklet with details of the three Commonwealth War graves in Keston churchyard as well as four other graves of men who died in service is available on the magazine stand in the foyer. (A £2.50 donation towards printing costs would be appreciated, thank you). Maps and details about the men are included. Alternatively, there is a green folder to borrow if you want to go into the churchyard and then put back afterwards.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER TICKETS - Tickets will go on sale from **SUNDAY 8th NOVEMBER**

VILLAGE CHRISTMAS FAIR - SAT 14th NOV, **1-5 pm** @ Keston Village Hall. Shopping, food stalls, Santa's grotto, and much more. Keston Church will host "Guess the weight of the cake", and a Children's Treasure Map Hunt, with Children's Hamper for the child nearest to the treasure! If you can help on the day, on the stand, please let Tricia or the Churchwardens know.

WELCARE ANNUAL SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING - FRI 20th NOV, 11.30 am @ Bromley Parish Church, BR2 0EG. Everyone is welcome to stay for a light buffet lunch afterwards. Welcare is a local Christian charity supporting families with young children https://www.welcare.org.

GET READY FOR THE CHURCH QUIZ ON SAT 21ST NOV, 6.30 for 7 pm start. Tickets £16 which includes fish and chip supper. Tables of 8, please put your name on the list. Please bring your own nibbles, drinks and glasses with you.

CHARITY SALE - SUN 22ND NOV - Demelza will be holding a sale, including toys, during our post-service coffee.

BOOK READING FELLOWSHIP - MONDAY 23TH NOVEMBER at 2 pm. Come and discuss books with some Christian content that you have read over tea/coffee and cake. Please contact Sally Churchus on editor@kestonparishchurch.org.uk or 020 8462 8750 to attend.

CHURCH SOCIALS – the next Church get together is a lunch at The Crown, Leaves Green Road on **WEDNESDAY 25TH NOVEMBER @ 12.30 pm.** Our next supper social is on **Tuesday 5th January** at The Fox Pub, Heathfield Road @ 7 pm**.** Please put your name on the list if you would like to come along.

RUSTIC WREATH MAKING - SATURDAY 28TH NOVEMBER 10 am - 2 pm @ All Saints Church, Orpington. £25 pp – must pre-book at events.allsaintsorpington@gmail.com

PARISH LUNCH (rescheduled) – SUN 29TH NOV @ 12 pm - Please add your name to the list to attend this fundraiser for the church, where we enjoy an Autumn meal together. Remember to bring your own drinks and glasses. Tickets £18 pp. We will have a raffle too.

CHRISTINGLE MAKING - SATURDAY 5TH DECEMBER @ 2 pm - please let Tricia or Angela know if you can help.

COLLECTION FOR THE TOY SERVICE - we will be collecting toys and gifts at our Toy Service (**Sunday 6th December**) to distribute to local families that need extra support. Please bring along your donations of new toys for the Salvation Army Collection. The charity has highlighted a shortage of gifts for babies up to two/16-17 year olds. Many thanks.

THANK YOU - Friends of the Holy Land would like to thank all parishioners for £175 raised for Christians in the Holy Land, at a time when they are most vulnerable. Please continue to remember their work in your prayers, giving your brothers and sisters strength to continue.

If you have any items you would like to add to upcoming pew sheets, please email Teresa Amos, **admin@kestonparishchurch.org.uk**

Sunday 1st November - All Saints' Day

God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

1 John 3: 1 – 3; Matthew 5: 1 – 12 *(NLT Bible)*

Sunday 1st November – Service for the Bereaved

Eternal God, our maker and redeemer, grant us, with all the faithful departed the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion and glorious resurrection that, in the last day, when you gather up all things in Christ, we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Psalms 27: 1 - 6, 16 &17; John 6: 37 - 40 *(NRSV Bible)*

Sunday 8th November – Remembrance Sunday

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

1 Thessalonians 4: 13 - end; Matthew 25: 1 – 13 *(NRSV Bible)*

Sunday 15th November – Safeguarding Sunday/2nd Sunday before Advent

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Zephaniah 1: 7, 12 – end; 1 Thessalonians 5: 1 – 11; Matthew 25: 14 – 30 *(NRSV Bible)*

Sunday 22nd November – Christ the King/Sunday next before Advent

God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory. Amen

Ezekiel 34: 11 – 16, 20 – 24; Ephesians. 1: 15 – end; Matthew 25: 31 – end *(NRSV Bible)*

Sunday 29th November - 1st Sunday of Advent

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

Isaiah 64: 1 – 9; 1 Corinthians 1: 3 – 9; Mark 13: 24 – end (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, Natasha, can be contacted on safeguarding@kestonparishchurch.org.uk if you have any questions or concerns.