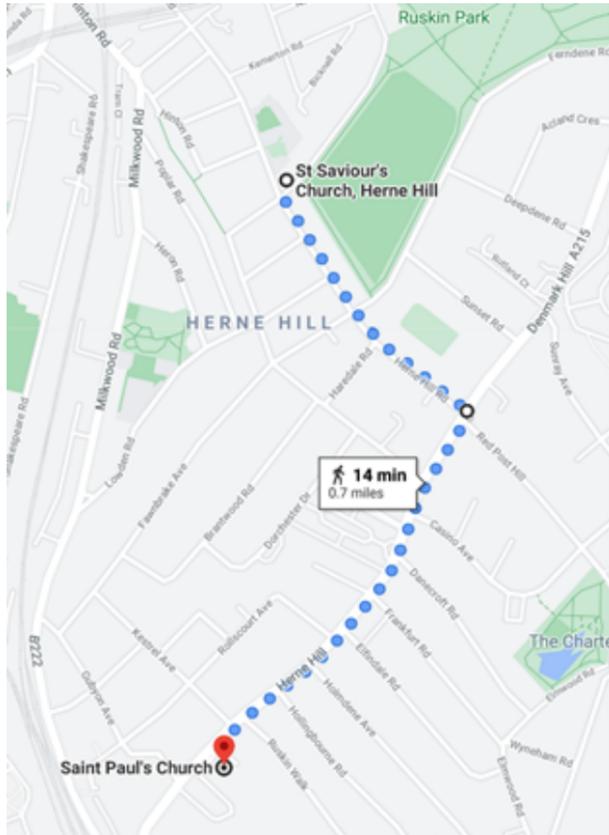


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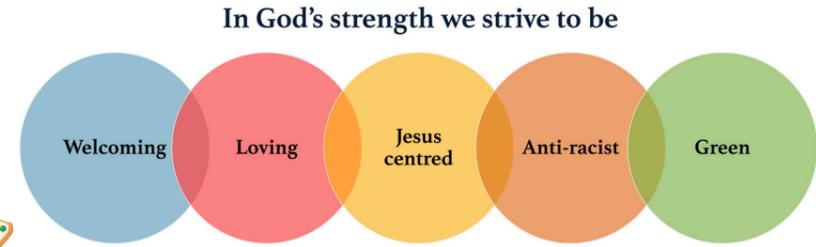
As a Parish we are linked with **St Saviour's Church of England Primary School** on Herne Hill Road. Please use the QR code to link to the school website.



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**DECEMBER & JANUARY NEWS**  
2025-2026



*All welcome, no exceptions, come as you are.*

**Welcome to the Parish of Herne Hill!**

We are two churches, St Paul's & St Saviour's, with multiple congregations. Together we aim, **in God's strength, to bring Jesus to the centre of our lives and the heart of our community.** Both churches work in close co-operation with the Parish's school, St Saviour's Primary.



Rev Ben Goodyear

Our Sunday services are:

- **8am** BCP service at St Paul's - a traditional, said Holy Communion
- **9.30am** service at St Saviour's - with worship band, and groups for children on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays in term time, as well as crèche facilities
- **11.15am** service at St Paul's - with choir and organ, and groups for children on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays in term time, as well as crèche facilities
- **The Five** service, **5pm** at St Paul's - informal evening service with food, music, & discussion (except 14th/21st/28th December).
- **Messy Church** 2nd Sunday of each month, **3pm** at St Saviour's Church for sensory arts & crafts, games, singing, Bible stories and refreshments for all families. This ministry is suitable for Primary School aged children.



**All welcome at our Christmas Celebrations**

Dec 7th 5:00pm **Walking Nativity** starting at St Paul's & finishing at St Saviour's

Dec 14th 9:30am **Nativity Service** at St Saviour's

Dec 14th 11:15am **Nativity Service** at St Paul's

Dec 14th 3:00pm **Messy Christmas** at St Paul's

Dec 14th 5:00pm **Traditional Carol Service** at St Paul's

Dec 24th 4:00pm **Christingle Service** at St Paul's

Dec 24th 11:30pm **Midnight Communion** at St Saviour's

Dec 25th 10:30am **Christmas Day Communion** at St Paul's

[hernehillparish.org.uk](http://hernehillparish.org.uk)



**A Walking Nativity**

Sharing the nativity story with carols and drama. Follow or join in the journey to Bethlehem through the streets of Herne Hill from St Paul's to St Saviour's on *Sunday 7th December*. Start 5pm @ St Paul's, Finish 6pm @ St Saviour's with mulled wine and mince pies! Anyone interested in playing a part - singing, acting or stage managing - please get in touch or support us just by coming along on the night. Contact sarabredemear@gmail.com or 07912 887017.

Access the parish website via:



or visit [www.hernehillparish.org.uk](http://www.hernehillparish.org.uk)

Follow us on social media!



Facebook: @ParishOfHerneHill



Instagram: @hernehillparish



X: @hernehillparish



# WHAT'S ON SERVICES IN DECEMBER

Please see the front page for details of our regular service times.

- 7th HC 2nd Sunday of Advent: John the Baptist**  
Matthew 3:1-12
- 7th WALKING NATIVITY**  
Start 5pm @ St Paul's & finish 6pm @ St Saviour's
- 10th A Hymn at Lunchtime**  
(Weds) 2pm @ St Paul's
- 14th WT ALL-AGE NATIVITY**
- 14th Messy Church**  
3pm @ St Saviour's 
- 14th EW CAROL SERVICE**  
5pm @ St Paul's
- 21st TFC 4th Sunday of Advent: Mary**  
Matthew 1:18-25
- 24th WT CHRISTINGLE SERVICE**  
4pm @ St Paul's 
- 24th HC MIDNIGHT COMMUNION**  
John 1:1-14  
11.30pm @ St Saviour's
- 25th TFC CHRISTMAS DAY COMMUNION**  
Luke 2:1-120  
Joint service @ 10.30am @ St Paul's
- 28th WT 1st Sunday of Christmas**  
Hebrews 2:10-18  
Joint service @ 11.15am @ St Paul's  
No 8am, 9.30am or 5pm services

## WEEKLY EVENTS

- Zoom prayers (link on website):**  
Tuesday 8am-8.30am
- Parish Playgroup (term time only):**  
Tuesday 10-11.30am @ St Paul's
- Tuesday Small Group (Bible study & chat):**  
Tuesday 2.30-4pm @ St Paul's
- Psalms & Stretches (£10 donation/class rec.):**  
Wednesday 7pm @ St Saviour's
- Hope Cafe & Open Church (term time only):**  
Thursday 9am-4pm @ St Paul's
- Thursday Bible Study (term time only):**  
Thursday 12.30-1.30pm @ St Paul's
- YFC Youth (school years 6+, term time only):**  
Thursday 6.30-8pm @ St Paul's
- Milkwood Kick (age 8yrs+, term time only):**  
Saturday 10-11.30am @ Ruskin Park

## Children's church dates and Nativity services

*December 7th* is the last Children's church before Christmas. Don't miss the Children's church cake sale at St Paul's after the 11.15am service to raise money for charity. Donations of home-baked cakes and biscuits on the day would be very welcome too.

*December 14th:* Come along to our all-age **Nativity services** at 9.30am and 11.15am, to celebrate the birth of Jesus with the children and young people. It will such be a joyful occasion.

*January 11th:* Children's church is back in 2026.

## Join us for Carol Singing

in the streets of the parish, led by Andrew Makower on the accordion! Please join us on these dates:

- Sunday 7th December at 1pm, Carol singing by Herne Hill Station piano. Meet at St Paul's at 12.50pm to pray then walk down.
- Sunday 7th December at 5pm, Walking Nativity walking from St Paul's to St Saviour's.
- Tuesday 9th December at 7pm, walking from St Saviour's to neighbouring streets and back
- Tuesday 16th December at 7pm, walking from St Paul's to neighbouring streets and back
- Thursday 18th December at 7pm, walking from St Saviour's to neighbouring streets and back
- Sunday 21st December at 5pm, walking from St Paul's to neighbouring streets and back

## Advent prayer day

On *Thursday 4th December* we will have an Advent day of prayer at St Paul's, 9am-9pm, finishing with a Praise and Prayer meeting, 8pm-9pm that evening.

## Baptism, Confirmation, and Admission to Communion

If you are interested in being baptised, confirmed, or for your child to receive Holy Communion, please do contact Winnie or one of the clergy team. We will be running preparation classes throughout 2026.

## Parish Fundraising Team

Do you have experience of writing grant funding applications? Would you like to join our Parish Fundraising team? Please contact Ben Goodyear.

## We are recruiting!

We are currently recruiting for a Children and Youth Ministry Leader. Full details will be on our website in January. Speak to Ben Goodyear for further information.

## SERVICES IN JANUARY

will follow our regular pattern.

HC – Holy Communion MW/EW – Morning/Evening Worship  
WT – Worship Together TFC – Together for Communion

Watch our online service every week  
On our  YouTube channel:  
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCacBXmpZ2\\_eCq3h19uX8sJQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCacBXmpZ2_eCq3h19uX8sJQ)

## More Carol Singing!

If you would like to be part of the choir for the Walking Nativity, Carol service, or Christmas day, details are below:

### Walking Nativity Choir rehearsals at St Paul's:

- *Saturday 29th November*, 3.30pm-4.30pm
- *Sunday 7th December*, 3.30pm-4.30pm  
(Nativity starts at 5pm)

### Carol Service Choir at St Paul's:

- *Friday 5th December:* Rehearsal 7-9pm
- *Friday 12th December:* Rehearsal 7-9pm
- *Sunday 14th December:*

Final Rehearsal 2.45pm; Service 5pm

### Christmas Day morning service at St Paul's:

Rehearsal at 10am. Bring relatives and children who can sing along too. Service at 10.30am

If you are planning to be in the Carol Service choir, please do email [noel@hernehillparish.org.uk](mailto:noel@hernehillparish.org.uk) so we make sure there is enough music for you!

## The Robes Project

It's not too late to volunteer for the Robes shelter for people experiencing homelessness, to be held at St Saviour's on Tuesday nights during January to March. There are roles to suit everybody, and you can do as much or as little as you feel able. For more information get in touch with Sophie Corlett ([sophiecorlett22@outlook.com](mailto:sophiecorlett22@outlook.com)) or Mary Ollard ([ollardmary@gmail.com](mailto:ollardmary@gmail.com)). And a big thank you to everyone who has already volunteered.

## Advent Devotional: The Fruit of the Spirit: Preparing Our Hearts for Christ's Coming

This Advent, we will journey together through the fruits of the Spirit, as found in Galatians 5:22-23: love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Each week, we will explore different clusters of these fruits, and hear from members of our church family. They will share honestly about which fruits flow naturally in their lives and which ones feel like a struggle. These personal reflections remind us that spiritual growth is not about achieving perfection. It is about bringing our whole selves before God, including our strengths and weaknesses, and trusting the Holy Spirit to do His transforming work. Look out for the emails during Advent, and may this Advent season draw us closer to Christ and to one another as we grow together in His Spirit.

## The Bereavement Journey course

Grief is hard.  
Death can impact all of life.

7 sessions of films and discussion  
for anyone bereaved anytime.

Tuesday evenings 7 to 9pm  
at St Paul's Church from 27<sup>th</sup> January

Contact Gill for more details  
[gill@hernehillparish.org.uk](mailto:gill@hernehillparish.org.uk) or 07546 539737.

## Parish Giving Scheme

It costs almost £6,000 per week to run all that the Parish of Herne Hill offers. In order for us to finance God's work in Herne Hill, you can help by giving regularly in a planned way through our Parish Giving Scheme (PGS). You can sign up via phone, by calling 0333 002 1271.

You will need your personal bank account details and the PGS code for the Parish of Herne Hill: 370637043.

You can also sign up online:  
<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/parish-of-herne-hill-london/>



## Giving electronically

To give a one-off donation to the parish please use the QR code:





**Christmas Challenge**

**Christians Against Poverty**

News from Beckee, our Community and CAP worker.



**The Christmas Big Give!**

Beacon CAP Partnership have obtained an incredible **£6,000 in match funding** through the **Big Give**, meaning every pound raised (up to £6,000) will be **doubled** – unlocking **£12,000 in total!** Please prayerfully consider how you might take part — perhaps through a direct donation, or by helping to promote the campaign within your congregation or workplace.

The **Big Give** campaign runs *2nd–9th December*. To find out more and donate, follow this link:  
<https://donate.biggive.org/campaign/a05WS0000067sReYAI>

CAP free debt help number is  
**0800 328 0006**



**3:00 - 5:30pm 06.12.2025**

**THE BUTTERFLY GIRLS PROJECT CHRISTMAS SPECIAL**

Join us for a Christmas candle making workshop  
**St Pauls Church SE24 9LY**  
Register your child at [ruby@hernehillparish.org.uk](mailto:ruby@hernehillparish.org.uk)

Are you new to the parish?

**Welcome!**

We would love to get to know you better. Please scan the QR code and fill out our connect form if you would like to hear from us.



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