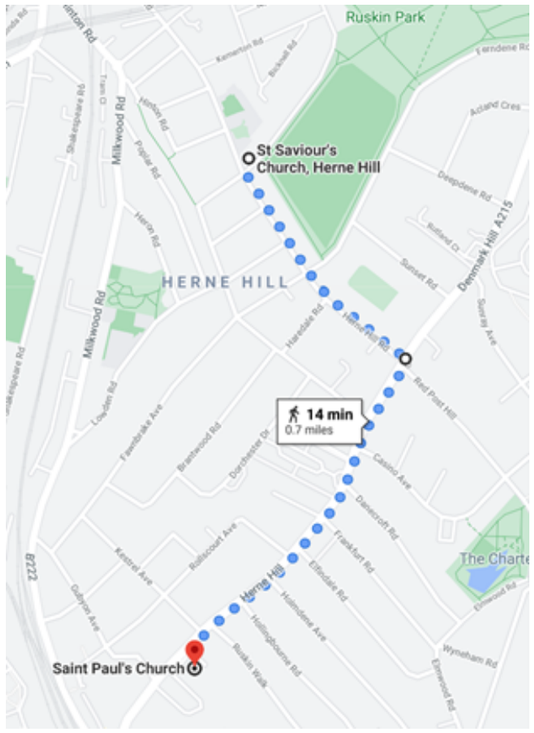
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OUR CHURCH BUILDINGS

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or visit **www.hernehillparish.org.uk**

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We're a Bereavement Friendly Church
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Watch our online service every week
On our YouTube channel:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCacBXmpZ2_eCq3hI9uX8sJQ

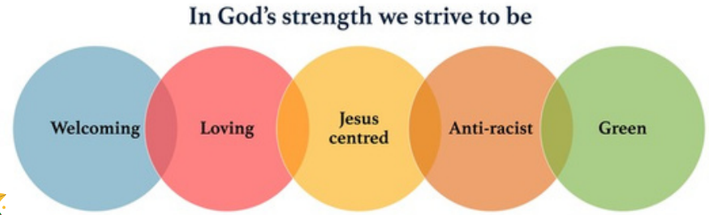
If you need to meet with any member of staff please get in touch and make an appointment.

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 2026-2027

PARISH OF HERNE HILL



Welcome to the Parish of Herne Hill!



Rev Ben Goodyear

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.

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.
- **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.





WHAT'S ON

SERVICES IN DECEMBER

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

6th HC 2nd Sunday of Advent: John the Baptist
Mark 1:1-8

6th WALKING NATIVITY
Start 5pm @ St Paul's & finish 6pm @ St Saviour's

13th WT ALL-AGE NATIVITY

13th Messy Christmas
3pm @ St Saviour's

16th (Weds) A Hymn at Lunchtime
2pm @ St Paul's

20th TFC 4th Sunday of Advent: Mary
Luke 1:26-38

20th EW CAROL SERVICE
5pm @ St Paul's

24th WT CHRISTINGLE SERVICE
4pm @ St Paul's

24th HC MIDNIGHT COMMUNION
Luke 2:1-20
11.30pm @ St Saviour's

25th TFC CHRISTMAS DAY COMMUNION
John 1:1-14
Joint service @ 10.30am @ St Paul's

27th WT 1st Sunday of Christmas
Psalm 148; Luke 2:15-21
Joint service @ 11.15am @ St Paul's
No 8am, 9.30am or 5pm services

THE FIVE AT ST PAUL'S:
High-fives for December and January!

The Five team would love you to join our informal services at 5pm. Our Sunday gatherings are a time to come together, worship, grow as a community, hear the gospel and pray for one another as we are led by the Spirit. In December we gather just once, on *Sunday 13th*, when we welcome **Naomi King** back from the US to speak. In January we're back *every Sunday from the 10th*: **Rachel Griffiths** will open up the Bible for us on the *17th*, and **Henrietta Blythe**, former CEO of Open Doors UK & Ireland, will teach on the *24th*. On *31st January* we finish with some joy: the service, then a meal. Everyone is welcome, so come as you are and bring a friend!

Please come join us for the **Walking Nativity** on *Sunday December 6th* at 5pm starting at St Paul's.

SERVICES IN JANUARY

will follow our regular pattern.

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

Important children's church dates

6th December - children's church will be exploring the Christmas story and what it means for us today.
13th December - don't miss the **Nativity Services**! They're loads of fun, and a wonderful way to celebrate the real meaning of Christmas.
Children's Church will then have a break, resuming on *10th January*. We'd love to see you then too!

On *Sunday 6th December*, there will be a **Fairtrade stall** after the 9.30am service at St Saviour's. Come buy gifts, cards, household goods and foods which benefit communities around the world. Some items available to see and place orders for.



Explore God's story one step at a time
Thursdays 8pm at St Saviour's from 21st January
Join us for **The Bible Course**, which will run for 8 sessions. It is for anyone wanting to navigate and apply the whole Bible to life. It includes video teaching, discussions, a reading plan and extra content. It gives you a great overview of the Bible and how it all fits together.
To book your place and find out more go to: https://hernehillparish.org.uk/the-bible-course/ or contact Adrian Parkhouse or Ben Goodyear.

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 11am-3pm @ 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

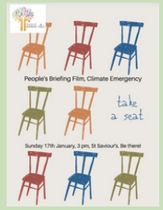
Carol Singing in the Community

Come and sing the Christmas story to our community!

- *3rd December* 5.30pm outside Loughborough Junction Station
- *6th December* 5pm starting at St Paul's (as part of the walking nativity)
- *8th December* 5.30pm outside Herne Hill Station
- *22nd December* 6pm starting at St Saviour's

Admissions Consultation

St. Saviour's Church of England Primary School is consulting on proposed changes to its admissions policy for children entering Reception in September 2028. Key Changes Proposed:
• Amending the Foundation:Open places ratio to 5:25, from an 18:12 split in prior years;
• Absolute overarching priority for vulnerable children and siblings across all 30 places;
• Full equality of sibling priority across all categories;
• Published clarification on onsite nursery non-transfer and distance measurements.
Consultation Period: open until *Friday 8 January '27.*
View the full draft policy and consultation documents at: stsaviourslambeth.co.uk/admissions/ or by scanning the QR code. Representations should be made by email to admin@st-saviours.lambeth.sch.uk (marked Admissions Consultation 2028) or by post to the school, marked FAO Admissions Committee.



On *Sunday 17th January* at 3-5pm at St Saviour's there's another opportunity to see the 50 minute film of the Chris Packham-led **People's Briefing on the Climate Emergency**.
Our link to register your free place: https://buytickets.at/parishofhernehill/2518090
In case you'd like to be part of a local initiative on positive (protective) tipping points, please speak to Trevor Tayleur or Jennie Brindley.

The Robes Project

We will once again be hosting the Robes winter night shelter, for people experiencing homelessness, at St Saviour's next year. The shelter will be on Tuesday nights, from *20 January* to *31 March* inclusive. This is a great opportunity to show the love of God in very practical ways, to people who need help in getting life back on track. Cooking, setting up and putting away furniture, welcoming and chatting to guests, washing up - there are roles to suit different talents, and you can commit to as few or as many weeks as you like. Get in touch with Sophie (sophiecorlett22@outlook.com) or Mary (ollardmary@gmail.com) to volunteer.

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 though 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:

Christians Against Poverty

News from Beckee, our Community and CAP worker.

CAP Christmas Hampers

CAP Christmas Hampers are back! Please keep an eye out for the sign-up sheets in both churches. We encourage you to give generously, as these hampers are a wonderful way to support those in need. In addition to donations, we will also need volunteers to help deliver the hampers in December. If you would like more information, please email beckee@hernehillparish.org.uk

CAP free debt help number is
0800 328 0006

The Bereavement Journey course

Grief is hard.
Death can impact all of life.

7 sessions of films and discussion
for *anyone* bereaved *anytime*.
Monday evenings 7 to 9pm
at St Paul's Church from *18th January*
Contact Gill for more details
gill@hernehillparish.org.uk or 07546 539737

Are you new to the parish?

