Black History Month WHAT'S ON

Croydon Area

NORBURY, ST OSWALD

Saturday 12 October

'Where we come from'. Join to learn about the traditions, special clothes, precious objects and music behind joyful wedding celebrations in Africa and the Caribbean. Food, music, raffle and dancing. Dress up and bring a plate of food to share. 6–9pm at Parish Hall, Green Lane, Norbury, SW16 3SB. Free entry – all welcome. Contact Bevon West on 07944 473 423.

NORBURY, ST PHILIP

Sunday 13 October

Diversity Sunday. 10am Eucharist with choir.

PURLEY, CHRIST CHURCH

Sunday 13 October

A gospel choir at the 10.15am service.

Sunday 20 October

An African and Caribbean Celebration lunch, following the 10.15am service. This will be an opportunity to gather as a church family and celebrate with food enjoyed as part of African and Caribbean culture. This meal is for everyone to enjoy, so please come along with your family and join in with the festivities.

BEDDINGTON, ST MARY

Monday 14, 21, 28 October

Film and food nights, each Monday in October, starting 6.30pm at St Mary's, Beddington, Church Road, Wallington SM6 7NJ. Free entry.

UPPER NORWOOD, ST JOHN

Saturday 19 October

A night of music, readings and good soul food. Celebrating black artists and culture, through literary reflection and a breathtaking concert of classical and folk gospel.

St John the Evangelist, Sylvan Road, SE19 2RX. Doors open at 6.15pm where refreshments and good, traditional Jamaican and Nigerian food can be purchased. The performance will begin at 7pm. Tickets on sale: £15 adults, £10 concessions, £5 children under 16 years. Book here: https://bit.ly/3zX1vtl

THORNTON HEATH, ST STEPHEN

Saturday 19 October

76 Years of Music & Struggle (1948-2024) Don't miss an evening of fascinating recounts of the last 76 years of modern black British history with Robin Walker 'The Black History Man'. St Stephen's Church Hall 9 Warwick Road, Thornton Heath, CR7 7NH. £5 for adults. £3 for children 12 years and under Refreshments available to purchase on the night.

Woolwich Area

WALWORTH, ST PETER

Sunday 20 October

Chamber music concert at 1.15pm after the service. The Old Rectory Ensemble plays Samuel Coleridge Taylor, clarinet quintet. Ruth Gipps plays rhapsody for clarinet and string quartet. All welcome.

CAMBERWELL, ST LUKE

Sunday 20 October

Special St Luke's Day Thanksgiving service in celebration of 70 years in the present church building. 10am-12pm. Revd Les Isaacs OBE (Street Pastors) will preach. All welcome.

Kingston Area

WATERLOO, ST JOHN

Monday 14 October

Spirit & Joy and Lament: living in the tension. Chine McDonald, director of Theos Think Tank. This session will explore what it means to celebrate the beauty, while not turning away from the brutality; remembering that God is there in the lament and joy. 7–8.15pm at St John's Waterloo, 73 Waterloo Road, London SE1 8TY

Sunday 27 October

Join visiting preacher Annie Wanjohi, Curate at St John the Divine.

