

Regular Events ...

Monday

Seniors' Club meets every other Monday from 2pm. Meetings on Jan 10, 24 Feb 7, 21

Monday & Wednesday

Badminton club
5.30pm - 7.30pm
From beginner to pro – all welcome at the Stanborough Secondary School gym.

Wednesday

Toddler Club for 0-3s
Morning: 9.30am-11.30am
Afternoon: 1pm-3pm
Dec 1-15, Jan 5-Feb 16.
Tel Elaine: 01923 672204.

Prayer Meeting

7.30pm - 8.30pm
Prayer and Bible study.

Sunday

Adventurer & Pathfinder Club for children aged 6+. Alternate Sundays 10am – 12 noon. Jan 16, 30. Feb 13, 27.

Tuesday

Tuesday Talks reunion Dec 14, Jan 11, 8 Feb. Enjoy a light supper at 7pm followed by a talk at 8pm.

Thursday

Toddler Club
9.30am - 11.30am
Dec 2-18, Jan 6-Feb 17
Tel Elaine: 01923 672204.

Friday

Youth United for teens and youth. 7.30-9pm.
Soup Run leaves 8.30pm

Christmas Services at Stanborough Park

Christmas is a very special time of year for everyone and we invite you to join us as we celebrate the birth of Christ. Services are open to young and old and everyone in between – we'd love to meet you and share the season's blessings and a mince pie or two with you!

December 11 at 11am – Annual Toy Service attended by the Chairman of the Watford Borough Council, Alan Burtenshaw plus the elected Mayor of Watford, Dorothy Thornhill. Bring an unwrapped toy to donate to Watford's underprivileged children and spread some Christmas joy! An ideal service for all the family to enjoy, especially the younger ones!

December 24 at 7pm – Christmas Eve service with lessons and carols. Start off your Christmas weekend by remembering the true meaning of Christmas. Listen to the well-known stories and sing your favourite carols by the soft glow of a candlelit church. Then enjoy a mince pie and a cup of hot mulled drink afterwards. An early evening service is perfect so that the little ones can get home to bed on time.

December 25 at 10.30am – a Christmas morning service for the whole family to enjoy. As our new minister, Paul Clee shares an inspiring thought on this special day, there will be even more carols to enjoy! It's also a chance to spend an hour contemplating the reason for the season before heading home to enjoy a family day!

Live Services on the Internet

If for any reason you are not able to attend any of our services, please note that Saturday morning services are now available to view live online or you can download them at a time to suit you. Many people use this Livestream service when they are not able to travel or even when they are on holiday abroad! Try it out and see for yourself what goes on at Stanborough Park Church! For more information, see the website – the address is below.

For information about all these events in this leaflet and more, please visit www.stanboroughchurch.org or telephone 01923 894664.



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Stanborough News

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A letter to you from the new minister:

Hello! Welcome to the latest Stanborough News!

My name is Paul Clee, and I am thrilled to be the new minister at the church and centre. I have never been associated with such an active community church, and being part of the team is a great experience.



There seems to be always something happening here! Why don't you come and try it? I have recently watched the mothers and toddlers having a lively session; joined in some interesting discussions over a (free) meal at some Tuesday Talks, and witnessed the generosity of the community in packing and delivering shoeboxes to the church as Christmas gifts for children in the Niger region of Africa. I've learned information about a healthy diet from a dietician who answered the audience's questions; and worshipped in a traditional style, whilst – at the same time – a modern contemporary style meeting took place in another hall. These are just some of the activities that are here. Look elsewhere in the News for a longer list. There really is something for everyone! Come and be part of it; especially over the Christmas and New Year celebrations.

Whether you are new in the area, or have lived here some time, why come and see for yourself? If you have any questions or would like me to call and see you, please ring the church office and leave a message (01923 894664).

Looking forward to seeing you!



Stanborough Nursery, Primary, Secondary and International Schools

Located on Appletree Walk in Garston, our school in the woods is the ideal environment to which to send your eager children. The education is first rate, the teachers and assistants know just how to encourage and engage the children, and the surroundings are magnificent! If you would like more information about the school or to arrange a visit to see our happy and enthusiastic learners in action, please call us on 01923 673291 (Nursery & Primary), or 01923 673268 (Secondary/International).

Prayer and Reflection

Sometimes life is so busy that it is hard to find the time to slow down, talk with God and dwell on what is important in life. Every month at Stanborough Church we set aside time to do that. Through worship, a short talk, and creative prayer activities we spend time in prayer, either alone or with others. You are very welcome to join us from 3.30–4.40pm and be a part of this quiet time. Series begins on Saturday 5 Feb 2011.

If you would like us to support you in prayer, you can contact our prayer team or email your requests to: emailprayerchain@googlemail.com

Tuesday Talks Reunion

Pastor Patrick Boyle will be sharing some more words of wisdom in his inimitable style at 8pm. Come early for a light supper at 7pm. Join us on Dec 14, Jan 11, Feb 8.

The Soup Run Needs You!

The Stanborough Park Soup Run has been running an essential service for many years to the homeless people of London. Every Friday evening a van loaded with enthusiastic volunteers, blankets, clothing and food supplies travels to the known homeless hotspots to distribute these items. This service is entirely voluntary and runs purely on donations. If you would like to donate to this programme, or even help out with your time, please contact Pat Walton on 01923 672500. With the overnight temperatures dropping, blankets and sleeping bags are urgently needed.



Happy, Healthy and Wise



Back for a new healthy-living series in the New Year on Jan 27 and Feb 24. You'll find all the inspiration you need to eat and live more healthily plus a light meal at 7pm and the demonstration/talk at 8pm.

Messy Church!

Messy Church is an energy-filled, fun-packed Saturday afternoon especially for parents and their children aged 0-13. Older children are very welcome to come along and join in or even help out. Registration begins at 3.45pm and is followed by an hour of crafting and activities then a lively and family-friendly worship time with plenty of action songs and stories. Everyone shares a healthy themed meal together (food intolerances can be catered for). We aim to finish by 6.30pm.



At Messy Church, parents (or grandparents) can enjoy quality time with their children through learning, play and worship. It's also an opportunity to meet other families and make new friends. And it's absolutely free! Join us in the New Year on Saturday Feb 19 and March 19 from 4pm - 6.30pm.

Find us on Facebook: Stanborough Park Messy Church or email: stanboroughparkmessychurch@googlemail.com

Pat's New Year Sale

Pat's next Sale is on Sunday 30 January from 12 noon - 2pm with profits going to fund the soup run van that makes those essential trips to London every Friday night to feed the homeless. You'll find all the usual stalls, books, clothes, china, bric a brac and Pat's excellent value café lunches. Come early to bag a bargain!

