

The Scots International Church Rotterdam



**Schiedamsevest 121,
Rotterdam
Services every Sunday at 10.30 am**

Christmas Day 25th December

The Gathering



Call to Worship

Welcome, Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Praise: *Joy to the World* (MP 393)

Children's Message

Praise: *Emmanuel* (SSS 16)

The Word



Prayer of Confession

Affirmation of faith

Bible Reading: **Luke 2: 1 - 20;**

Praise: *O come all you faithful* (MP 491)

Sermon: **"Angels on assignment"**

The Thanksgiving

Praise: *In the bleak midwinter* (MP 337)

Offering and dedication

Prayers for others

The Sending



Announcements

Praise: *Hark the herald angels sing* (MP 211)

Benediction and '3-fold' Amen

Ere zij God, Ere zij God, (Dutch Traditional)

Call to worship (based on Isaiah 9:2)

The people walking in darkness
have seen a great light.

Come, O Lord, and send us your light.

O come, O come, Immanuel.

Come and bring the light of God.

Come and walk among us.

Be our Saviour and our Friend.

O come, O come, Immanuel.

Come and bring us your peace.



Thought for the Week

“Christmas is a season not only of rejoicing but of reflection.”
Winston Churchill



The Service Today

Minister: Rev. Irene Bom

Elder: Bob Hensen

Children’s message: Licia Knoester

Organist: Netty Dijkstra

Bible reading: Molly Foster

Welcome: Pam Russell

No Crèche at Family Service

Counting: Joy Okojie & Molly Foster

Door: Ato Cromwell

Beamer: André van der Velden

Recording: André v.d. Velden

Hospitality: Mavis & Crew

Flowers: **TBA**

Closing: Ato Bob



Agenda for the Week

Sunday 27th December

10:30 Worship Service

Wednesday 30th December

19:30 Advent Bible Study

Sunday 3rd January

10:30 Communion & Worship Service

Interim Moderator

Our Interim Moderator during the vacancy is Rev. James (Jimmy) Brown minister of the English-speaking Christian Congregation (ECC) Bochum, Germany. He can be reached at: j.brown56@gmx.de

Looking ahead: Locum or Local?

Today Rev. Irene Bom will preach and lead our Christmas Day service, while on the last Sunday of the year, 27th December our Rev. Joost Pot will be there. Rev. Wiley V. Hughes will be our new locum from 3rd January till/incl. 14th February.

Do you want to become a member of SICR?

Have you been attending this church and want to become a member? Speak to Rev. Irene Bom or Ato Bob or <mailto:info@scotsintchurch.com>

Birthdays

This week, we congratulate Doreen Asare Awuku (last Wednesday), Pam Russell-Knot and Isabella Snoeren (Thursday), Christa Jacobs (Friday) and Sophie Tataw and Esther Abang (Saturday). *Would you like your birthday mentioned? Inform the Office Team!*

SICR Weekly Update

Would you like to receive an update on activities, services, sermons, news etc. @ SICR every Thursday or Friday in your E-mail box?

Then send a mail to: editor-herald@live.com and you will also receive The Herald-by-Email.

Refugees - AZC Beverwaard

To help as volunteer www.Ready2Help.nl

A follow-up of the meeting, organized by SKIN, is now being planned. Find more info on SKIN website and SICR Weekly Update.

Pray for the people of Beverwaard to be discerning and accept their new arrivals, with understanding, love and compassion!

Mamre Foundation needs volunteers

Mamre needs more volunteers to help prepare and serve the weekly (Wednesday) home and a warm meal for Rotterdam's lost and uprooted.

Look at the new website www.mamre.nl/en/ and call / talk to [Isaac Dierx 010- 421 2853](tel:010-4212853).



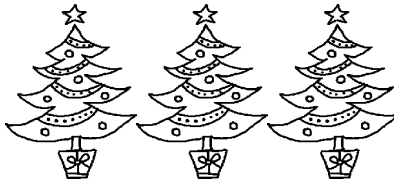
Are you in need of prayer or pastoral care?

Put you requests in the prayer box on Sundays (*please write clearly and you may add telephone number or name for clarification*). Prayers can also be sent via the Prayer Coordinator Wilma Paton at pray.sicr@gmail.com.

For pastoral care or a visit by an Elder or Minister, contact your Elder or the Church Office.



**Thanks for your service during
our Christmas Programme**



Thanks to all who assisted by: Preaching, Playing the Organ, Bible reading, Elder & Deacons, Hospitality, Sunday School teachers & volunteers for a wonderful party, for contributing to a (high) Christmas Tea, witnessing by singing in the Cool and a festive and meaningful Carol Service, all celebrating Christ's Birth.

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Lord's Prayer, to be projected at the end of the opening prayer

Our Father, who is in heaven
Holy be Your name.
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done on earth
as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom, and the power
and the glory forever
Amen.