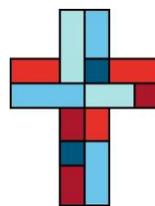


Sunday 26th March 2017

Mothering Sunday

- 08.00 BCP Holy Communion – *St Mark's*
09.15 Family Worship – *St Mark's*
11.00 Parade service Choral Eucharist -
St Andrew's
18.00 Evening prayer – *St Andrew's*



**St Andrew
& St Mark
Surbiton**

Sunday 19th March 2017

3rd Sunday of Lent

Services Today

- 08.00 BCP Holy Communion – *St Andrew's*
09.15 Morning Worship with baptism –
St Mark's
11.00 Choral Eucharist with Sunday club –
St Andrew's
18.00 Healing service – *St Andrew's*

NOTICES: Lent Teaching on Sunday mornings. This Sunday we will be considering "Lost and Found" in our Sunday Choral Eucharist; the vicar will not be preaching but will be interviewing members of the congregation who have lost something or someone: it could be a sister, an eye or an election. What happens when we lose something important to us and what, if anything, can we discover in those moments of loss? **Next Sunday is Mothering Sunday.** We have a parade eucharist with the uniformed groups at St Andrew's. Also *the clocks go forward. Don't be late.*

Lent lunches: Continue on Wednesday 22nd March, from 12 noon onwards at St Andrew's. Delicious but not decadent soup lunches! Donations of £4 in aid of the Bishop's Lent appeal. **Lent groups:** see separate sheet from *Churches Together*. The Lent Group happening at St Mark's is on Fridays at 1.30pm, be led by Jackie Robbs. There are Lent groups happening all over Surbiton at different times, evening as well as daytime. Use Lent to focus your faith.

Beryl Legan: burial of ashes. Beryl's ashes will be buried in the St Andrew's garden of remembrance next Sunday (26th) after the 11am service at St Andrew's. There'll be a short service there, starting probably around 12.20pm. Please do join us if you would like

Sidespeople: We are looking for new sidespeople to join the teams which cover the 9.15 and 11.00 services at St Andrew's and St Mark's. If you are interested, please speak to one of the churchwardens or contact Anne Miller on a.miller573@ntlworld.com or 020 8398 8206. Please also let Anne know if you are already a sidesperson and would like to change your current commitment.

Advance notice: Change of date: Parish Sunday Lunch will be on Sunday 7th May at the Allegro Surbiton. For details please see Olga Wickenden.

Parish Pilgrimage to Chichester. On **Saturday 13 May** we are planning a day trip by coach to Chichester, touring the cathedral, making clay gargoyles (age restricted activity but adult support welcome!), a picnic lunch and an afternoon on the beach at the Witterings. Everyone welcome, more details from Diana. dianalewis1710@gmail.com

If you would like to buy a lily in memory of a loved one the cost of lilies this year will be £3.50 each. Any other donations towards the cost of decorating both churches with flowers for Easter would be much appreciated. Contributions should be given to either Anne Barker/Jackie Page or the Church Wardens.

Margaret Russell's funeral will be at **Kingston Crem** on **Wednesday 29th March at 11am**, followed by a reception at Hotel Antoniette. Margaret was a regular attender at the Thursday morning communion service.

Monday Parish Sabbath Office Closed

Open normal hours the rest of the week.

Monday

Tuesday 08.50 Morning Prayer – St Mark's

*Wednesday 08.30 Morning Prayer – St Andrew's
12.00 Lent lunch-St Andrew's*

*Thursday 08.30 Morning Prayer – St. Mark's
10.30 Holy Communion– St Mark's*

*Friday 08.30 Eucharist – St Andrew's
13.30 Lent course – St Mark's
10.00 Friday Coffee for Charity- St Andrew's*

Saturday

Sunday

A very warm welcome to our Church today, especially to Laura and her family and friends as she is baptized today at St Mark's. We hope that you will find something of the presence of God in our worship and among those you meet.

FOR YOUR PRAYER: *Requests for Healing Prayer to be made to the parish office.*

For healing: Richard Davies Sue Paine Rosa Panton Iain Jones Mary Rice John Barnes Moira Frau Jean Rowe Jo Norman Harry Cornell Theodore Shah Tracy Calviou Nancy Vlasto Daniel White Robin Pellatt Susan Hager Lucy-May Watson Keith Kirby Jacqui Smith Stefka Dimitrova David Gerrard John Whelan Matthew Woods
RIP: Margaret Russell

Years mind: Corinne Russell Douglas MacFarlane Elsie Hobly Richard Burt

Birthdays: Roger Jones Peter Jones

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*There is an induction loop in both churches - please turn your aid to the 'T' setting.
You can follow the service in the Liturgy Service Booklet;
this pew sheet will give you information about the readings
and hymns; you will also need a New English Hymnal*

Hymns NEH
Music Setting

BATTEN

Introit hymn **436** Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

Collect

Almighty God,
whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain,
and entered not into glory before he was crucified:
mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross,
may find it none other than the way of life and peace;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Today's themes: "Man does not live by bread alone but by every word that comes from the mouth of God." That isn't actually in today's scripture readings, but all of them are, in a sense, a commentary on this verse. What really gives life? Water is important, but we are looking for something more than water.

First Reading
Reader

Exodus 17. 1 - 7
Martin Palmer

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The Lord said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?'

Second Reading
Reader

Romans 5 .1-11
Jemma Box

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Gospel **John 4.5-42**

So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'. (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him,

'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.' Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.' Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, 'What do you want?' or, 'Why are you speaking with her?' Then the woman left her water-jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, 'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?' They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, eat something.' But he said to them, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' So the disciples said to one another, 'Surely no one has brought him something to eat?' Jesus said to them, 'My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, "Four months more, then comes the harvest"? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, "One sows and another reaps." I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.' Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I have ever done.' So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'

Intercessions John Kelly

Offertory Hymn **296** Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour

During the offertory hymn a collection is taken for the work of the church: please give generously. If you are moved to do so, please ask for info about planned giving, if you do not do so currently.

Communion Hymn **73** My God, I love thee, not because

Communion Anthem **FARRANT**-Call to remembrance

Please come forward for Communion if it is your custom, or for a blessing as directed by the Churchwardens. We will receive in two lines, as usual.

Interview: **'Lost and found'**
Notices and banns

At the dismissal **376** I heard the voice of Jesus say

