

Sunday 1st October 2017
Harvest -16th Sunday after Trinity

08.00	BCP Holy Communion – <i>St Andrew's</i>
9.15	All Age Eucharist celebrating harvest – <i>St Mark's</i>
11.00	Morning worship with baptism- <i>St Andrew's</i>
18.00	Choral Evensong – <i>St Andrew's</i>

Surbiton Festival: Flower Festival Next Saturday, come and see St Andrew's church bathed in flowers. Displays have come from all around the community. It will be truly beautiful. You can also get coffee and a cake too. 'Welcomers' are also needed for the Flower Festival at St Andrew's, if you can spare about an hour please see Anne Miller if you can help.

NEW Home Group starting - **Tuesday 26th September, 7.45pm at 35 Alpine Avenue, KT5 9RL.** Looking to meet on a fortnightly basis, come along on the 26th to find out more. Or try a **Friday lunchtime Bible study at St Mark's.** All are welcome to join in a study of the early chapters of Genesis, meeting between 1.30pm and 3.00pm on the following Fridays: 6th and 20th October, 3rd and 24th November and 8th December. There is also a Home group at the home of John and Olga Wickenden, 42 Norton Avenue at 10.30am on a **Tuesday morning fortnightly.** The next meeting will be on the 3rd October. If you have any questions about the above groups please contact the Parish Office.

Children's Choir rehearsals start this coming Friday: **Friday 29th September** at St Mark's church at 4.30pm, weekly until half term (27th October)
 Linked but separate: **Children's Singing Workshop** for junior aged children on **Saturday 21st October** at **St Mark's church.** ALL DAY. Bring a packed lunch. Please see Simon Harvey for more details or take a registration sheet from the back of church

Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning on **Friday 29th September** in **St Andrew's Glass Room** from 10am – 12 noon. Please come and support this excellent cause.

Evening of Entertainment in aid of ABCD charity on **Saturday 30th September 2017** at **7.30pm** at **St Andrew's church.** Please come along to support the charity of the month. Free admission, donations welcome. Just come to support those who've offered their talents. It's a variety show with all sorts.

NEXT WEEK: Harvest will be celebrated at the 9.15am with an All Age Parade service. We will plough the fields and scatter, we will welcome the harvest home etc. etc. Please bring tinned food for the food bank. What they particularly want right now is tinned fruit. What they *don't* want is pasta: apparently, there could be a nuclear bomb but Surbiton Foodbank would still be able to give dried spaghetti until 2020.

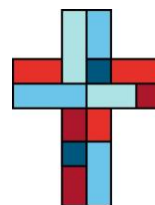
The deadline for the next **parish magazine** is 10th October. Articles, comments and ideas always very welcome! . We are currently looking for photos to go in the end of year section for the January edition. Thank you. Editor

For your prayer: Requests for Healing Prayer to be made to the parish office; names will remain on the list for one month unless a new request is made.

For healing: Richard Davies Sue Paine Rosa Panton Iain Jones Mary Rice John Barnes Matthew Woods Jo Norman Theodore Shah Keith Kirby Tracy Calviou Michael Naylor Nancy Vlasto Jean Rowe Daniel White Robin Pellatt Lucy-May Watson Stefka Dimitrova John Whelan Moira Frau Gail Reed

Years mind: Yvonne Morris Joyce Palmer Ron Roles

Birthdays: Sadie Beasley



**St Andrew
& St Mark
Surbiton**

Sunday 24th September 2017
15th Sunday after Trinity

Services Today

08.00	BCP Holy Communion – <i>St Mark's</i>
9.15	Family Worship - <i>St Mark's</i>
11.00	Choral Eucharist with Sunday club- <i>St Andrew's</i>
18.00	Evening prayer– <i>St Mark's</i>

Monday Parish Office is closed

Tuesday 08.50 Morning Prayer – St Mark's

Wednesday 08.30 Morning Prayer – St Andrew's
10.00 Sunbeams-St Mark's

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

Friday 08.30 Eucharist – St Andrew's
10.00 Friday Coffee for Charity- St Andrew's

Saturday

Sunday

A very warm welcome to our church today. We hope that you will find something of the presence of God in our worship and among those you meet.

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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 **Sumsion in F (Gloria –MATHIAS)**

Introit **Sacerdotes Domini - BYRD**

Introit hymn **234** Christ, whose glory fills the skies

Collect

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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

Who sets the rules? What rules do you govern yourself by and is It one rule for one and one the others? Who decides? What do you reckon upon and what have you done to earn it? What place has mercy? All the readings link to this

First Reading **Jonah 3.10-end of 4**
Reader Jo Norman

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the Lord and said, 'O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.' And the Lord said, 'Is it right for you to be angry?' Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, 'It is better for me to die than to live.' But God said to Jonah, 'Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?' And he said, 'Yes, angry enough to die.' Then the Lord said, 'You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labour and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?

Psalms 145

1 I will exalt you, O ¹ God my ¹ King, ☐
and bless your ¹ name for ¹ ever and ¹ ever.
2 Every day ¹ will I ¹ bless you ☐
and praise your ¹ name for ¹ ever and ¹ ever.
3 Great is the Lord and highly ¹ to be ¹ praised; ☐
his greatness is be¹yond all ¹ searching ¹ out.
4 One generation shall praise your works ¹ to an¹other ☐
and de¹clare your ¹ mighty ¹ acts.
5 They shall speak of the majesty ¹ of your ¹ glory, ☐
and I will tell of ¹ all your ¹ wonderful ¹ deeds.
6 They shall speak of the might of your ¹ marvellous ¹ acts, ☐
and I will ¹ also ¹ tell of your ¹ greatness.
7 They shall pour forth the story of your a¹bundant ¹ kindness ☐
and joyfully ¹ sing ¹ of your ¹ righteousness.

8 The Lord is ¹ gracious and ¹ merciful, ☐
long-suffering ¹ and of ¹ great ¹ goodness.

Second reading
Reader

Philippians 1.21-end
Clare Mannall

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Gospel

Matthew 20.1-16

Jesus said, 'For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard." When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

Address Rev'd Robert Stanier

Intercessions Valerie Baxter

Offertory Hymn **263** All creatures of our God and King

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 Anthem **ELGAR-O Salutaris Hostia**

Communion Hymn **456** Teach me, my God and king

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.

Notices

At the dismissal **401** Light's abode, celestial Salem

Next week's readings

