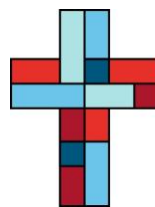


## Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2018

### First Sunday of Lent

08.00	BCP Holy Communion – <i>St Andrew's</i>
9.15	Morning worship with baptism – <i>St Mark's</i>
11.00	Choral Eucharist with Sunday club- <i>St Andrew's</i>
18.00	Service of Wholeness & Healing – <i>St Andrew's</i>



# St Andrew & St Mark Surbiton

## Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2018 Sunday next before Lent

**Today David Houghton** will be preaching and presiding at the 11am at St Andrew's: Robert is on leave.

**Ash Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February**, Morning Prayer at 7.30am at St Andrew's: then Said Eucharist with ashing at noon at St Mark's and Choral Eucharist with ashing at 7.30pm at St Mark's.

**Lent lunches** start on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February**, Glass room at St Andrew's at 12 noon, a soup lunch with suggested donation of £4 in aid of the Bishops' Lent appeal.

**Ecumenical Lent course:** Each Lent CTS (Churches Together in Surbiton) run a 5 week ecumenical course. If you are interested in joining one of the groups please pick up a leaflet from church or contact Kate MacAuslan [shmc.office@kingstoncircuit.org.uk](mailto:shmc.office@kingstoncircuit.org.uk). Robert will be running one at the vicarage on Wednesday afternoons: two spaces still free.

**Confirmation classes:** Classes for adults have begun; Robert will be contacting teenagers in due course.

**Mothers' Union:** are hosting a Bring and Share tea on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February** in **St Mark's church**, from 3 – 5pm. All ages are welcome. Coffee tea and squash provided.

**Parish Quiz Night - Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> February** at **7pm** in **St Mark's Hall** in aid of Oxygen our Charity of the Month for February. Create your own team (max 6 people per team) or just turn up and join a team on the night. It would be helpful, for catering purposes, if you could sign up on the form at the back of the church if you are planning to come. Please contact Tim Lavis for more details.

The closing date for submission of articles for the next **parish magazine** is Friday 16<sup>th</sup> of February. Don't forget that the magazine is now online; it can be easily accessed on the church website [www.surbitonchurch.org.uk](http://www.surbitonchurch.org.uk) under the 'News' tab. The magazine looks terrific online, particularly the photographs and graphics, so do please have a look! Editor

**Sunday Morning Coffee:** We are looking for some more volunteers to help prepare and serve coffee on Sunday mornings at both St Mark and St Andrew's; if you are able to help please talk to Linda Taylor at church, or call on 0797 101 8631 or email [tonfuss@gmail.com](mailto:tonfuss@gmail.com).

**Vicar is on annual leave** until Tuesday afternoon.

**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:** Sue Paine Rosa Pantou Iain Jones  
Mary Rice Matthew Woods Jo Norman Theodore Shah  
Keith Kirby Tracy Calviou Michael Naylor Nancy Vlasto  
Gail Reed Daniel White Lucy-May Watson  
Stefka Dimitrova John Whelan Moira Frau Bob Brooks

**Years mind:** Kathleen Colton Jack Pateman Cianan Boon  
Vera Costan Bernard Rogers John Rumbold Margaret Stork

**Birthdays:** Rosemary Perry

### 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	Compline – <i>St Andrew's</i>

*Parish office is closed on Monday  
Monday*

*Tuesday 08.50 Morning Prayer – St Mark's*

*Wednesday 07.30 Morning Prayer – St Andrew's  
12.00 Said Eucharist with ashing–St  
Mark's  
19.30 Choral Eucharist with ashing–  
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**                    **Missa Brevis – CASEY (Gloria Thorne)**

**Introit**                                **Blessed are they -WESLEY**

**Introit hymn**                    **343** Bright the vision that delighted

## Collect

Almighty Father,  
whose Son was revealed in majesty  
before he suffered death upon the cross:  
give us grace to perceive his glory,  
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him  
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## Today's Themes

Two themes: first, beholding God in all His glory. The Old Testament and the Gospel both feature moments of glory as humans discover God's presence on earth. Second, there is a further theme. Who gets to describe this? In Paul's Letter, he knows that there may be a veil between people and the true Gospel and he goes on to note that Christians themselves can be blocks. In the Old Testament, it is Elisha taking on the mantle from Elijah; in the Gospel, it is the three closest apostles, Peter, James and John who see Jesus in this state.

**First Reading**                    **2 Kings 2.1-12**  
Reader                                Jemma Box

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?' And he said, 'Yes, I know; keep silent.' Elijah said to him, 'Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?' And he answered, 'Yes, I know; be silent.' Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

## Psalm 50.1-6

1 The Lord, the most mighty <sup>1</sup> God, has <sup>1</sup> spoken ☐  
and called the world from the rising of the <sup>1</sup> sun <sup>1</sup> to its <sup>1</sup> setting.  
2 Out of Zion, perfect in beauty, <sup>1</sup> God shines <sup>1</sup> forth; ☐  
our God comes <sup>1</sup> and will <sup>1</sup> not keep <sup>1</sup> silence.  
3 Consuming fire goes <sup>1</sup> out before him ☐  
and a mighty <sup>1</sup> tempest <sup>1</sup> stirs about him.  
4 He calls the <sup>1</sup> heaven above, ☐  
and the earth, that <sup>1</sup> he may <sup>1</sup> judge his <sup>1</sup> people:  
5 'Gather to <sup>1</sup> me my <sup>1</sup> faithful, ☐  
who have <sup>1</sup> sealed my <sup>1</sup> covenant with <sup>1</sup> sacrifice.'  
6 Let the heavens declare his <sup>1</sup> righteousness, ☐  
for <sup>1</sup> God himself is <sup>1</sup> judge.

**Second Reading**                    **2 Corinthians 4.3-6**  
Reader                                Jo Norman

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

**Gospel**                                        **Mark 9.2-9**

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

**Address**                                        Rev'd David Houghton

**Intercessions**                                John Kelly

**Offertory Hymn**                    **55** Hail to the Lord's anointed

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**                    **O nata lux-TALLIS**

**Communion Hymn**                    **308** Thee we adore

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 and banns

**At the dismissal**                    **494** Christ is the world's true light

**Next week's readings**                    Genesis 9.8-17, 1 Peter 3.18-end  
Mark 1.9-15

