

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2019**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

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>

**Advent Carol service** is this evening at **St Andrew's Church** at **6pm**, a beautiful way to start the season of Advent and prepare for Christmas.

**This morning after the 9:15am All Age Eucharist is the Parish Breakfast.** Please do come through... we have a lighter version this month with sausages in rolls, pain au chocolate, croissants and coffee & tea. All donations will go to the charity of the month. Please note there won't be Church Breakfast in January. We could really do with more helpers for Sunday breakfast. Please contact Clare if you feel you could help regularly or occasionally on the first Sunday of the month. [claremannall72@gmail.com](mailto:claremannall72@gmail.com)

**Christmas flowers:** It's the time of year for us to ask if you would like to make a donation towards the cost of decorating both churches with flowers for the Christmas celebrations. Contributions should be given to Anne Barker or Jackie Page or any of the Church Wardens. Thank you for continuing to support the decorating of both churches.

Are you available to transport guests to and from this year's **Parish Christmas Day lunch**? It would also be helpful if you are only able to do one way. Please contact Mike Smith to confirm your availability. His (new) e mail address is: [mjs25smith@outlook.com](mailto:mjs25smith@outlook.com) or home 0208 399 8865. The Parish Christmas Day lunch has been allocated November and December for Green Token donation at Waitrose. Please pick up your token when you shop at Waitrose and put in our slot at the exit

**Kingston & Surbiton Election hustings on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 7:30 – 9:30pm Surbiton Hill Methodist Church** when all 5 candidates will be there to meet and question. To book or register a question visit: <https://kshustings2019.eventbrite.co.uk>

**Blomfield's Gin:** At the Parish Christmas fair we saw the launch of our very own Limited Edition gin. This can be a delight for you or a fantastic Christmas gift for a loved one. We need help labelling the last 200 bottles! See Robert if you can.

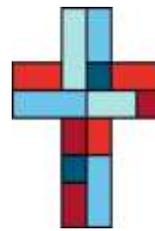
**SASM Flying Circus Group on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2019** will visit Wetherspoon's Coronation Hall, St Mark's Hill for their Christmas Lunch: 12noon for 12.30. If you would like to come please book with Audrey Eldridge who has the menu, telephone 8399 4867. All welcome.

**For your prayer:** Please give your request to a member of the Ministry Team, or speak to Clare Chesterman in the Parish Office (contact details on the front page). If you wish someone's name to appear on the pew sheet it will remain there for 6 weeks. That person will be prayed for at weekly services, and also regularly by those involved in healing ministry.

**For prayer:** Mary Rice Nancy Vlasto Moira Frau Margaret Parker John Fowler Rita Burrows Colston Hartley

**Years mind:** Peter Clark Florence Mayle Tim Healey Ronald Waller Lewis Morris Dorothy Bryant

**Birthdays:** Mary Lavis



**St Andrew  
& St Mark  
Surbiton**

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2019**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent**

**Services Today**

08.00	BCP Holy Communion – <i>St Andrew's</i>
9.15	All Age Eucharist with Parish breakfast – <i>St Mark's</i>
11.00	Morning worship with baptisms – <i>St Andrew's</i>
18.00	Advent Carol service – <i>St Andrew's</i>

<i>Monday &amp; Tuesday</i>	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>	
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>08.50</i>	<i>Morning Prayer – St Mark's</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>08.30</i> <i>10.00</i>	<i>Morning Prayer – St Andrew's</i> <i>Sunbeams – St Mark's</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>08.30</i> <i>10.30</i>	<i>Morning Prayer – St. Mark's</i> <i>Holy Communion – St Mark's</i> <i>coffee after the service</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>08.30</i> <i>10.00</i>	<i>Eucharist – St Andrew's</i> <i>Friday Coffee for Charity- St Andrew's</i>
<i>Saturday</i>		

**A very warm welcome to our Church today. We especially welcome the family & friends of Freddie & Margot as they are baptized at St Andrew's today. We hope that you will find something of the presence of God in our worship and among those you meet.**

**Please take this pew sheet with you.**

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Please recycle with pew sheet when you are finished with it

*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 Hymns Old & New*

**Hymns HON**

**Music Setting**                    **Mass of St Thomas – THORNE**  
(Peruvian Gloria)

**Introit**                                **Adam lay y bounden -ORD**

**Introit hymn**                    **98** Come, thou long expected Jesus

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness  
and to put on the armour of light,  
now in the time of this mortal life,  
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility;  
that on the last day,  
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty  
to judge the living and the dead,  
we may rise to the life immortal;  
through him who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Today's themes**

However far away it is, the day of judgement is 'nearer than when we first believed'. In term of the end of the world, that could be millions of years still; in terms of our own encounter with our maker, in 'human sense of time', that could be rather soon. We could be hit by a bus tomorrow etc.  
are we ready for this? Are we 'vigilant'? And how much does vigilance necessitate action?

**First Reading**                    **Romans 13.11-14**  
**Reader**                                Tessa Stanier

I say this because we live in an important time. Yes, it is now time for you to wake up from your sleep. Our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. The "night" is almost finished. The "day" is almost here. So we should stop doing things that belong to darkness and take up the weapons used for fighting in the light. Let us live in a right way, as in the daytime. We should not have wild parties or get drunk. There should be no sexual immorality or evil conduct, no fighting or jealousy. But clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ. Forget about satisfying your sinful self.

**Zimbabwean Alleluia,**  
**to be sung brightly, with rhythm.**

**Cantor:**                    **Listen now to the Gospel**  
**All-**                                **Alleluia.....**  
**Cantor:**                    **It is God's word that changes us**  
**All-**                                **Alleluia.....**

**Cantor:**                    **Come, Holy Spirit, melt and break our hearts of stone, until we give our lives to God and God alone. All-repeat**  
**Listen now..... Alleluia**  
**Cantor:**                    **Come, Holy Spirit, root us in God's living word, that we may show the faithfulness of Christ the Lord. All-repeat**  
**Listen now.....**

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**Gospel**                                **Matthew 24.36-44**

Jesus said, 'But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking,

marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

**Address**                                Rev'd Robert Stanier

**Intercessions**                    Rev'd Michael Johns –Perrings

**Offertory Hymn**                    **209** Hills of the north, rejoice

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. There is also a card reader available at the back of the church should you wish to make a cashless donation after the service today.

**Communion Hymn**                **198** Hark the glad sound

**Communion Anthem**        **Advent Prose (Rorate Coeli)**  
**Robinson**

Please come forward for Communion if it is your custom, or for a blessing as directed by the Churchwardens.

**Notices**

**At the dismissal**                **307** Lo, he comes with clouds descending