



**St Andrew
& St Mark**
Surbiton

Sunday 10th May 2020
Fifth Sunday of Easter

A very warm welcome to our church community.

Our church buildings may be closed but we are open and connected to God and each other through worship, prayer and service to each other. Please use this sheet as a basis of worship either this Sunday or whenever you wish to spend time in prayer and reflection. It contains the readings and hymns for the Fifth Sunday of Easter 10th May 2020.

This Sunday we will be worshipping together via Zoom, an online capacity to view the service with others. Please see the weekly email from Robert with the invitation to the service. If you do not currently receive this e-mail, please contact the Parish office via email.

Sermons are accessible on Youtube at:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqaB8-K9h736BEP35QEbuqw>

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How can I get in touch?

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How can I stay in touch?

Parish website: www.surbitonchurch.org.uk
Parish Facebook:
www.facebook.com/SurbitonChurch
Twitter:
[@Surbiton_Church](https://twitter.com/Surbiton_Church)

Several people have asked how they can donate to church funds given the absence of a collection in our virtual services. If you have on-line banking, you can set up a regular or one-off payment using the following details:

Payee: The PCC of St Andrew and St Mark, Surbiton. Sort code: 40-52-40. Account number: 00028530.

If you do not have access to on-line banking then you can send a cheque to the Parish Office payable to the 'PCC of St Andrew and St Mark, Surbiton'.

You can also make a one-off donation or a regular donation on our website through the Donate button.

Please visit: <https://surbitonchurch.org.uk/about-us/giving/>

We as a church are not only meeting online on Sunday mornings but also during the week.

On Thursday evenings until May 21st, Robert will be leading a **study course on Deuteronomy**. It will start just after the NHS applause at 8pm. Deuteronomy are one of those texts from the Old Testament that can get bypassed or dismissed but is filled with rich insights if you give it a chance.

This will be then followed by **Compline at 9pm** which you join separately to or in addition to the study group. Invitations to the study and Compline service will be in the weekly email sent by Robert. If you would like to join either of the above or would like to know of any other offers of services, study groups or social events please contact Clare at sasms@btinternet.com.

Christian Aid week: 10th -16th May 'Love never fails'. To donate please visit the Christian Aid website <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/>. Tomato plants are being sold by Roger Jones in aid of Christian Aid and the local Food bank. Visit 76 Alexandra Drive KT5 9AF where you can collect the plants. Or contact sasms@btinternet.com.

Collect for the Fifth Sunday in Easter

O LORD, from whom all good things do come:
Grant to us thy humble servants,
that by thy holy inspiration
we may think those things that be good,
and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same;
through our Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen.

First Reading Reader

Acts 7.55-end
Joy Aboim

But filled with the Holy Spirit, he (Stephen) gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died.

Second Reading Reader

1 Peter 2.2-10
Moira Greenfield

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

'See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.' To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

'The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner', and 'A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.' They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Gospel

John 14.1-14

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.' Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

Address

Rev'd Robert Stanier

Intercessions

Rev'd Michael Johns-Perring

Final Hymn

At the name of Jesus.

For your prayer:

For all those ill with Coronavirus, we pray for comfort and healing.

For all those working in hospitals and with the vulnerable, we pray for wisdom and strength.

For all those in power we pray for wisdom and insight.

For all those we love we pray for peace.

For prayer: Mary Rice Nancy Vlasto Moira Frau
Margaret Parker John Fowler Rita Burrows
Colston Hartley Jean Webber Denise Jones
Michael Vaughan Sue Paine Margaret Voysey
Dinyar Margaret Peter Lidbetter

RIP: Rev'd Peter Holmes Alan Lewis-Reed
Douglas Arthur Scott

Church of England Daily Prayer

Follow this link for daily morning, midday, evening and night prayer, in both contemporary and traditional English:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer>

Alternatively, download the "Daily Prayer: from the C of E" app for free.

For those without internet there is the C of E Daily Prayer **Phone line, a free phone line** – which is available 24 hours a day on **0800 804 8044**. Callers will hear a special greeting from the Archbishop before being able to choose from a range of options, including hymns, prayers, reflections and advice on COVID-19.

Useful links during these different & difficult times:

Kingston Council: To make sure vulnerable Kingston residents get the help they need during the coronavirus pandemic; the council has launched a new online and phone service. Please visit their website:

<https://www.kingston.gov.uk/> or phone **020 8547 5000**

Stronger Together Food Appeal:

Food bank please contact to make donations and to access help:

info@kingston.foodbank.co.uk

Love Kingston: is launching an urgent donations appeal to help people most in need.
<https://localgiving.org/appeal/Kingston-covid19appeal/>