



**St Andrew
& St Mark**
Surbiton

Sunday 24th May 2020
Seventh 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 Seventh Sunday of Easter 24th 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 sasms@btinternet.com Sermons are accessible on Youtube at: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqaB8-K9h736BEP35QEbuqw>

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How can I stay in touch?

Parish website: www.surbitonchurch.org.uk
Parish Facebook:
www.facebook.com/SurbitonChurch
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[@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.

Compline at 9pm a quiet and reflective service to end the day is every Thursday evening at 9pm. Invitations to the Compline service will be in the weekly email sent by Robert. If you would like to join Compline or would like to know of any other offers of services, study groups or social events please contact Clare at sasms@btinternet.com.

Virtual Wine tasting on Saturday 30th May: thank you to all those who have booked their wine tasting tickets to raise money for the charity of the month The Leprosy Mission. Do contact sasms@btinternet.com/02083909129 asap to book as there are just a couple of tickets left as of Friday morning.

Collect for the Seventh Sunday in Easter

O God the King of glory,
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us
and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone
before,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

First Reading Reader

Acts 1:6-14
Charlotte New

So when they had come together, they asked Jesus, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.' Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Second Reading Reader

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11
Jeremy Cumaraswamy

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice in so far as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters throughout the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Reader

John 17: 1-11
Rev'd Carole Bourne

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you

sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

Address

Jackie Robbs, Reader

Intercessions

Moira Greenfield

Final Hymn

Christ is the King

For your prayer:

*God of compassion,
be close to those who are ill, afraid or in isolation.
In their loneliness, be their consolation;
in their anxiety, be their hope;
in their darkness, be their light;
through him who suffered alone on the cross,
but reigns with you in glory,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

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

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.