



# St Andrew & St Mark Surbiton

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2020  
Trinity 6

**A very warm welcome to our church community.**

**Our church buildings have reopened for private prayer. We are also opened for public worship with limited capacity and services. Please visit our website for days and times of services. 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 Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> July 2020.**

**This Sunday we will be worshipping with those in church together with those online via Zoom. 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](mailto:sasms@btinternet.com)**

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

## Stay Connected

with St Andrew and St Mark Church

### How can I get in touch?

Robert and Michael can be contacted via email or phone. Please use the details below.

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The parish office is not open at St Mark's Church but you can get in touch by email.

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### How can I stay in touch?

Parish website: [www.surbitonchurch.org.uk](http://www.surbitonchurch.org.uk)

Parish Facebook: [www.facebook.com/SurbitonChurch](https://www.facebook.com/SurbitonChurch)

Twitter: [@Surbiton\\_Church](https://twitter.com/Surbiton_Church)

We are thrilled to be able to open our doors for public worship again on Sunday 19th July. We have used government and Church of England guidelines to make precautions in advance and ensure safety on the day. **The socially distanced seating for Sunday's service (i.e. being physically present) has now been fully allotted. If you would like to come to NEXT Sunday's service, please email the parish office ([sasms@btinternet.com](mailto:sasms@btinternet.com)). A significant number prefer to come online rather than physically for several reasons, so it is very likely, but not certain, that if you would like to come, there will be space for you. It will again be a eucharist. Priority will be given to anyone who applied to come to this Sunday but wasn't able to do so.** When you join us on Sunday, please allow extra time to enter the building and be seated for the service and we ask that you always observe social distancing guidelines. We will be still together as a church community as we worship at church and on Zoom at the same time. On Sunday there is a BCP 8am communion place at St Mark's Church. No need to book. We will be nicely socially distanced just by being the number that we usually are (with room for more!)

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/>

## Collect

Merciful God,  
you have prepared for those who love you  
such good things as pass our understanding:  
pour into our hearts such love toward you  
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,  
may obtain your promises,  
which exceed all that we can desire;  
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.

**First Reading**      **Isaiah 44:6-8**  
**Reader**                **Rod Pearson**

### A reading from the book of Isaiah

Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel  
and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts:  
I am the first and I am the last;  
besides me there is no god.  
Who is like me? Let them proclaim it,  
let them declare and set it forth before me.  
Who has announced from of old the things to come?  
Let them tell us what is yet to be.  
Do not fear, or be afraid;  
have I not told you from of old and declared it?  
You are my witnesses!  
Is there any god besides me?  
There is no other rock; I know not one

**Second Reading**      **Romans 8:12-25**  
**Reader**                **Rosemary Perry via Zoom**

### A reading taken from St Paul's letter to the Romans

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

**Gospel Reading**      **Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43**

Jesus put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn."

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

**Address**                **Rev'd Robert Stanier**

### Intercessions

**Final Hymn**                **REJOICE, the Lord is 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.**

**RIP:** Margaret Hurrell

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

### 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.