



St Andrew & St Mark Surbiton

Sunday 15th November 2020
Second Sunday before Advent

Services this week are online.

As we have now entered a second Lockdown there are no physical services in church. Please join us online for our livestreamed services on Zoom or Facebook Live.

To join our services on Zoom please see the weekly parish newsletter or contact the parish office at sasms@btinternet.com for meeting codes.

Today: Sunday 15th November
8am BCP Communion join us live
<https://www.facebook.com/SurbitonChurch/>

9:15am Family service online via Zoom, codes from the parish office.

11am Parish Eucharist join us live
<https://www.facebook.com/SurbitonChurch/> or
via Zoom, codes from the parish office.

Morning Prayer Tues (8:50am) Wed & Thurs (8:30am) join us live online at
<https://www.facebook.com/SurbitonChurch/>

9pm Compline online via Zoom online code from the parish office and
<https://www.facebook.com/SurbitonChurch/>

8:30am BCP Communion Friday join us live at
<https://www.facebook.com/SurbitonChurch/>

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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 or make an appointment.

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How can I stay in touch?

Parish website: www.surbitonchurch.org.uk

Parish Facebook:

www.facebook.com/SurbitonChurch

Twitter:

Twitter @Surbiton_Church

What is the situation with churches now we are in Lock down 2?

From Thursday 5th November people cannot attend services in church, be that a small midweek communion, or the main Sunday service. The difference with Lockdown Part 1 is that:

Clergy ARE allowed into church to broadcast services.

They can bring with them others who are directly relevant to the delivery of the service e.g. an organist, an audio-visual person.

During the week, congregations can come into churches for private prayer

We are keeping our churches open for private individual prayer with St Mark's open for prayer on weekdays and St Andrew's open on Saturday and/or Sunday afternoon. Please check our parish website, weekly email and ACNY for days and times of opening.

To donate to church funds given the absence of a collection in our virtual services and avoiding using cash at our physical 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

Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son was revealed
to destroy the works of the devil
and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:
grant that we, having this hope,
may purify ourselves even as he is pure;
that when he shall appear in power and great glory
we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;
where he is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

First Reading

Zephaniah 1:7, 12 - en

Be silent before the Lord God!
For the day of the Lord is at hand;
the Lord has prepared a sacrifice,
he has consecrated his guests.

At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,
and I will punish the people
who rest complacently on their dregs,
those who say in their hearts,
'The Lord will not do good,
nor will he do harm.'
Their wealth shall be plundered,
and their houses laid waste.
Though they build houses,
they shall not inhabit them;
though they plant vineyards,
they shall not drink wine from them.

The great day of the Lord is near,
near and hastening fast;
the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter,
the warrior cries aloud there.
That day will be a day of wrath,
a day of distress and anguish,
a day of ruin and devastation,
a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,
a day of trumpet blast and battle cry
against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.

I will bring such distress upon people
that they shall walk like the blind;
because they have sinned against the Lord,
their blood shall be poured out like dust,
and their flesh like dung.
Neither their silver nor their gold
will be able to save them
on the day of the Lord's wrath;
in the fire of his passion
the whole earth shall be consumed;
for a full, a terrible end
he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 5: 1 - 11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters,
you do not need to have anything written to you. For you
yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like
a thief in the night. When they say, 'There is peace and security',
then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains
come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But
you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you
like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the
day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then, let us not
fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for
those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get
drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober,
and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the
hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for
obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for
us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with

him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other,
as indeed you are doing.

Gospel reading

Matthew 25: 14 - 30

Jesus said, 'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned
his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five
talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his
ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five
talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five
more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents
made two more talents. But the one who had received the one
talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's
money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and
settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the
five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying,
'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made
five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and
trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I
will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your
master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward,
saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have
made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good
and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things,
I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your
master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came
forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man,
reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not
scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the
ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied,
'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where
I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought
to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I
would have received what was my own with interest. So take the
talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to
all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an
abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they
have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him
into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing
of teeth.'

Address

Rev'd Carole Bourne

Intercessions

Jackie Robbs

Notices

Hymn

Be thou my vision

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: Sadie Beesley Mary Rice Nancy Vlasto
John Fowler Rita Burrows Sue Paine
Colston Hartley Jean Webber Michael Vaughan
Roger Prince

RIP: Ted Wright