



# 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](mailto:sasms@btinternet.com) for meeting codes.

**Today: Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> 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/>

## 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 or make an appointment.

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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)

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

From Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> 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