



# St Andrew & St Mark Surbiton

Sunday 29th November 2020  
Advent 1

**Services this Sunday are online.**  
**Please join us 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 29th November**  
**8am BCP Communion join us live**  
<https://www.facebook.com/SurbitonChurch/>

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

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

**6pm Service of the word for Advent Sunday join us live**  
<https://www.facebook.com/SurbitonChurch/>

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

**10:30am BCP Communion Thursday at St Mark's Church, in person.**

**9pm Compline online via Zoom online code from the parish office and**  
<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 coming out of Lock down 2?**

From Thursday 3rd December we will be resuming Covid secure public worship. This means you can attend in person church services at St Andrew and St Mark. Social distancing and face coverings are still required, and we will be operating a booking system for our Sunday 11am Parish Eucharist at St Andrew's. To book your seat please email the parish office at [sasms@btinternet.com](mailto:sasms@btinternet.com)

We will continue to live stream our services by Zoom and on Facebook Live.

More information about Christmas services and events will be released in the coming days.

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

Almighty God,  
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on  
the armour of light,  
now in the time of this mortal life,  
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that  
on the last day,  
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the  
living and the dead,  
we may rise to the life immortal;  
through him who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
Amen.

## First Reading Reader

**Isaiah 64: 1 -9**  
**Alex Lewis**

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,  
so that the mountains would quake at your presence—  
as when fire kindles brushwood  
and the fire causes water to boil—  
to make your name known to your adversaries,  
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!  
When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,  
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.  
From ages past no one has heard,  
no ear has perceived,  
no eye has seen any God besides you,  
who works for those who wait for him.  
You meet those who gladly do right,  
those who remember you in your ways.  
But you were angry, and we sinned;  
because you hid yourself we transgressed.  
We have all become like one who is unclean,  
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.  
We all fade like a leaf,  
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.  
There is no one who calls on your name,  
or attempts to take hold of you;  
for you have hidden your face from us,  
and have delivered[c] us into the hand of our iniquity.  
Yet, O Lord, you are our Father;  
we are the clay, and you are our potter;  
we are all the work of your hand.  
Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord,  
and do not remember iniquity for ever.  
Now consider, we are all your people.

## Second Reading Reader

**1 Corinthians 1:3 - 9**  
**Janet Jones**

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of  
God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way  
you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of  
every kind— just as the testimony of Christ has been  
strengthened among you— so that you are not lacking in any  
spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus  
Christ. 8 He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may  
be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful;  
by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus  
Christ our Lord.

## Gospel reading

**Mark 13: 24 – end**

Jesus said, 'But in those days, after that suffering,  
the sun will be darkened,  
and the moon will not give its light,  
and the stars will be falling from heaven,  
and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.  
Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in clouds" with great  
power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather  
his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the  
ends of heaven.  
'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes  
tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near.  
So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that

he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will  
not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven  
and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.  
'But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in  
heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for  
you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going  
on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge,  
each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the  
watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the  
master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or  
at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he  
comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.'

## Address

**Rev'd Michael Johns-Perring**

## Intercessions

**Celia O'Neill**

## Notices

## Hymn

**Hills of the north, rejoice**

### **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