

St Andrew & St Mark Surbiton

Sunday 31st January 2021
Candlemas (the Presentation
of Christ in the Temple)

*Our services are now all online, with no in person attendance.
Please join us for our livestreamed services on Zoom or Facebook Live*

To join our services on Zoom please see the weekly parish newsletter.

Sunday 31st January 2021

8am BCP Communion online only via Facebook Live.

9.15am Family Worship online only via Zoom.

11am Parish Eucharist only online via Zoom or Facebook Live.

6pm Evening Prayer with silence online via Facebook Live

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

Compline is every Thursday evening at 9pm on Zoom.

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How can I get in touch?

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How can I stay in touch?

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Parish Facebook:

www.facebook.com/SurbitonChurch

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Twitter @Surbiton_Church

What is the situation with churches now?

We are constantly reviewing the situation and will keep everyone updated. We look forward to a time when we can have people in our churches again, but it won't be yet.

While we are online only, we will continue to live stream our services by Zoom and on Facebook Live into January 2021.

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

Let us pray.
Almighty God,
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles
the wonder of your saving presence:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power;
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.
Amen.

First Reading Reader

Malachi 3.1-5
Joy Aboim

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me,
and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple.
The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he
is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of
his coming, and who can stand when he appears?
For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a
refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of
Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present
offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah
and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old
and as in former years.
Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to
bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers,
against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the
hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against
those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the
Lord of hosts.

Second Reading Reader

Hebrews 2.14-end
Anthony Airey

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself
likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might
destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil,
and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear
of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but
the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like
his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a
merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a
sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he
himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those
who are being tested.'

Gospel reading

Luke 2.22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of
Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to
present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord,
'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'),
and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law
of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'
Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon;
this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the
consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had
been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see
death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the
Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents
brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary
under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God,
saying,
'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace,
according to your word;
for my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,
a light for revelation to the Gentiles
and for glory to your people Israel.'

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was
being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his

mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising
of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that
the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will
pierce your own soul too.'

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the
tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her
husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to
the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped
there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she
came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to
all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.
When they had finished everything required by the law of the
Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth.
The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the
favour of God was upon him.'

Address

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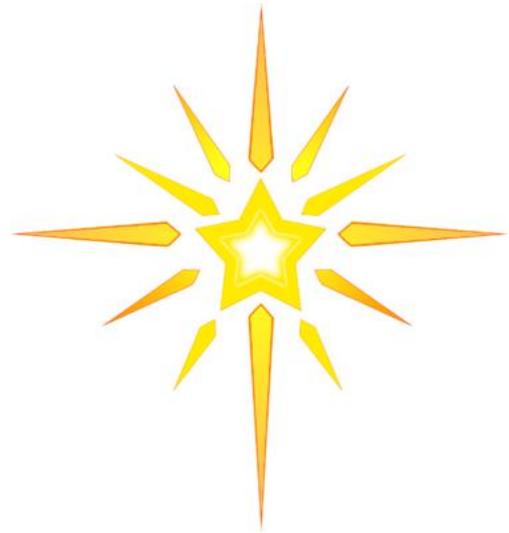
Intercessions

Celia O'Neill

Notices

Hymn

Praise to the holiest in the height



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 Jean Webber
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RIP: Colston Hartley