

# **Sunday 8th January 2023 Epiphany**

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8 am BCP Communion at St Mark's Church. Also livestreamed on Facebook.

9.15 am Family Worship at St Mark's Church.

11.00 am Choral Eucharist with Baptism at St Andrew's Church

Also livestreamed on Zoom and Facebook. 18.00 pm Evening Prayer w silence at St Andrew's

# Mid-week services

**Morning Prayer** will be said and livestreamed on Facebook Live:

- Tuesday(9:00am) at St Mark's
- Wednesday(9:00am) at St Andrew's
- Thursday (9:00am) at St Mark's

**Thursday mornings** 10:30 am BCP Communion at St Mark's Church.

**Friday mornings** 8:30am The Eucharist at St Andrew's Church and online on Facebook.

## **Notices:**

**Sunbeams** our 'stay and play group' will be back on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January at 10am at St Mark's Church. We are asking everyone, old and new, to register before attending the session. For more info please contact the parish office.

**Soup lunch** Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> of January at St Mark's at 12.30pm. All welcome for some warm soup, bread and cheeses!

**The Next Parish Lunch** at Glenmore House is on the 5th of Feb 23 @ 12pm - to book contact Olga Wickenden on 07963878218

# Staying Connected

with St Andrew and St Mark Church

#### How can I get in touch?

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

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The parish office is open at St Mark's Church on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday mornings 9am – 1pm. Please make an appointment or get in touch by phone 02083909129 or email <a href="mailto:sasms@btinternet.com">sasms@btinternet.com</a>

# How can I stay in touch?

The best way to know what is happening at St Andrew & St Mark is to receive the weekly parish email sent on a Friday afternoon. It contains all you need to know about our Sunday services with online codes, plus information about our midweek services and events. To receive these emails please contact the parish office.

Parish website: www.surbitonchurch.org.uk



To donate to church funds 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. Alternatively, 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/

#### **Opening Hymn**

47 As with gladness men of old

#### **Collect**

O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face; 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 Isiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant;

your heart shall thrill and rejoice,
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

A multitude of camels shall cover you,
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come.

They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

## Second Reading Ephesians 3:1-12

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

#### Gospel Matthew 2:1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and

scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,

are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler

who is to shepherd my people Israel." Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

**Sermon** Rev'd Robert Stanier

Offertory hymn The first Nowell

**Intercessions** Alex Lewis

**Communion Hymn** of the morning

Brightest and best of the sons

**Notices and banns** 

**Final Hymn** We three kings of Orient are

# 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 Nancy Vlasto Rita Burrows Sue Paine Margaret Parker Christina Balan

#### This week please pray for:

Ukraine and the situation in Europe.

Churchwardens and PCC members, parish Facebook page, SASM School, governors, staff and pupils, key workers, food banks, the homeless, KCAH and Joel Centre, for eyes to see the beauty of the world around us

These prayers are taken from our monthly prayer card which you can access on our website under Pew sheets tab or collect a copy from church

Next Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 49:1-7; 1 Cor 1:1-9; John 1:29-42