

Sunday 5th February 2023 3rd Sunday before Lent

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8am BCP Communion at St Andrew's Also livestreamed on Facebook. 9.15 am All Together Eucharist at St Mark's Also livestreamed on Facebook. 11.00 am Morning Worship at St Andrew's Church - livestreamed on Facebook 6.00 pm Choral Evensong at St Andrew's Livestreamed on Facebook and Zoom

Mid-week services

Morning Prayer will be said and livestreamed on Facebook Live:

- Tuesday(9:00am) at St Marks'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:

The Next Parish Lunch at Glenmore House is on 5th February @ 12pm - to book contact Olga Wickenden on 07963878218

The Next **St Andrew & St Mark's Mothers Union** meeting is on Wednesday 15th February in St Mark's Church at 2.30pm.

Rev Caroline Mullins (Associate Minister/Assistant Priest at St Christopher's, Hinchley Wood) will be giving a talk about 'Diversity in the Church' All welcome. Tea and coffee will be served from 2pm.

Saturday 18th February at St Marks

3:30pm-5:30pm **Lino Cut Workshop**. Event led by Rev'd Michael in aid of USPG Sri Lanka Project. Join to design a card to be printed. All material included. Bookings can be done on Eventbrite, limited spaces so go and book before the 12th February. https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/printmaking workshop-tickets-519814849207

Lent Lunches

During Lent our soup & bread lunch will be served every Wednesday at 12.30 pm at St Mark's in aid of the Bishop's Lent Appeal.

Offers to provide soup/bread (bought or homemade) are welcome and please contact Janice at 07908852474 or via email at sasmdeacon3@gmail.com.

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 sasms@btinternet.com

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.

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 508 This is the day

Collect

Eternal God, whose Son went among the crowds and brought healing with his touch: help us to show his love, in your Church as we gather together, and by our lives as they are transformed into the image of Christ our Lord. Amen

First Reading 1 Corinthians 2

Dear brothers, when I came to you, I did not come as a proud man. I preached God's truth, but not with fancy words or a show of great learning. I decided that while I was with you I would forget about everything except Jesus Christ and his death on the cross. When I came to you, I was weak and shook with fear. My teaching and my speaking were not with wise words that persuade people. But the proof of my teaching was the power that the Spirit gives. I did this so that your faith would be in God's power, not in the wisdom of a man.

Yet I speak wisdom to those who are mature. But this wisdom is not from this world or of the rulers of this world. (These rulers are losing their power.) But I speak God's secret wisdom, which he has kept hidden. God planned this wisdom for our glory, before the world began. None of the rulers of this world understood it. If they had, they would not have killed the Lord of glory on a cross. But as it is written in the Scriptures: "No one has ever seen this. No one has ever heard about it. No one has ever imagined what God has prepared for those who love him."

But God has shown us these things through the Spirit. The Spirit knows all things, even the deep secrets of God. It is like this: No one knows the thoughts that another person has. Only a person's spirit that lives in him knows his thoughts. It is the same with God. No one knows the thoughts of God. Only the Spirit of God knows God's thoughts. We did not receive the spirit of the world, but we received the Spirit that is from God. We received this Spirit so that we can know all that God has given us. When we speak, we do not use words taught to us by the wisdom that men have. We use words taught to us by the Spirit. We use spiritual words to explain spiritual things. A person who is not spiritual does not accept the gifts that come from the Spirit of God. That person thinks they are foolish. He cannot understand the Spirit's gifts, because they can only be judged spiritually. But the spiritual person is able to judge all things. Yet no one can judge him. The Scripture says: "Who has known the mind of the Lord? Who has been able to teach him?" But we have the mind of Christ.

Gospel Matthew 5:13-20

You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

'Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Sermon Rev'd Michael Johns-Perring

Offertory hymn 393 O worship the King

Intercessions Rev'd Michel Johns-Perring

Anthem I give to you a new commandment

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Communion Hymn 337 Morning has broken

Notices and banns

Final Hymn 317 Shine, Jesus Shine

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

R.I.P Marigold Haworth & Angus Low

This week please pray for:

Ministry Team, church wardens, choirs and organist, parish lunch, NHS and key workers, Oxygen, the vulnerable, the unemployed, parish magazine and website, for eyes to see the signs of approaching spring

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:

Genesis 1:1-2:3; Roman 8:18-25; Matthew 6:25-end