

Sunday 21st May 2023 – Sunday after Ascension

8 am BCP Holy Communion at St Andrew's Also livestreamed on Facebook
9.15 am Family Worship at St Mark's
11.00 am Choral Eucharist with baptism at St Andrew's Also livestreamed on Zoom and Facebook
6 pm Service of Wholeness and Healing at St Mark'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 10:30 am BCP Communion at St Mark's **Friday** 8:30am The Eucharist at St Andrew's and online on Facebook.

Notices:

New Card Giving station. We have a new giving station specifically for St Andrew's and this will be at the tower door church should you wish to donate. Please test or try it out. Smallest donation is $\pounds 1$. (If you have any problems, please see a church warden, Robert or Janice.)

Christian Aid Week

Janice will still be walking her 300,000 steps in May in aid of Christian Aid, which will also be our charity of the month. Please donate either in cash to Janice or through one of the contactless machines, making sure to ask for the Christian Aid page.

Last Wednesday Lunch – 12.30 p, 31 May at St Mark's This will be in aid of Christian Aid, the charity of the month. Join us for soup and cheese and the opportunity for a chat.

SASM Ecofair 3 June, St Mark church at 2.30pm – 5.30pm. Email us on <u>sasmecofair@gmail.com</u> by the 13th May if you are interested in a stall (no charge). All local sustainable businesses welcome.

Evensong at Rochester Cathedral - 24th June The choir will again be joining with St Matthew's choir to sing evensong, this time at Rochester Cathedral. There will be limited seats on the coach for members of the congregation. Make a note of this in your diary and look out for the announcement that spaces are open for booking.

Our next **church lunch** at Glenmore House will be on 2^{nd} July. Please book and pay by the 18^{th} June with Olga Wickenden at 07963878218. Cost of £29 - this includes the service charge.

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Staying Connected

With St Andrew and St Mark Church

How can I get in touch?

Robert 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 till Friday mornings 9am – 1pm. Please make an appointment or get in touch by phone 02083909129 or email <u>sasms@btinternet.com</u>

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: <u>www.surbitonchurch.org.uk</u> Parish Facebook: www.facebook.com/SurbitonChurch Twitter @Surbiton_Church

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: <u>https://surbitonchurch.org.uk/about-us/giving/</u>

Opening Hymn

332 All hail the power of Jesu's name

Collect

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Reading:	Ezekiel 36:24-28
Reader:	June Pearson

I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

Gradual: Psalm 68 v 1-10

Reading:Acts 1:6-14Reader:Jeremy Cumaraswamy

So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Gospel

John 17:1-11

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. 'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

Sermon	Rev'd Robert Stanier
Baptism	Ivan Hannaford-Flanders
Offertory hymn	345 Christ is the King, O friends rejoice
Intercessions	Alex Lewis
Anthem:	Come, Holy Ghost - ATTWOOD
Communion Hymn	288 God everlasting, wonderful and holy
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Final Hymn	394 Let all the world

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 Sue Paine Margaret Parker Christina Balan

To be Baptised Ivan Hannaford-Flanders

RIP Frances Rogers, her funeral will take place on Wednesday 24 May at 12pm at St Marks.

This week please pray for:

Sunday Club, Sunbeams, choir and organist, AV teams, Friday coffee, users of our church spaces, food banks, refugees, YMCA, those worried about rising prices, for an intelligent use of water in the home and in the garden

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 week's readings

Acts 2:1-21, 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13, John 7:37-39