



St Andrew & St Mark Surbiton

Sunday 25th February 2024 Lent 2

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

9.15 am Family Worship at St Mark's
Also livestreamed on Facebook

11.00 am Choral Eucharist at St Andrew's
Also livestreamed on Facebook and Zoom

6 pm Evening Prayer with Silence at St Andrew's
Also livestreamed on Facebook

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:

Quiz after 11am service – Sunday 25th February.

We'll be holding a short quiz after the 11am service at St Andrew's led by Valerie. You're invited to participate and any money raised will go to Leprosy Mission. Leprosy destroys lives all over the world as one person every two minutes is diagnosed with this disease. Around the world there are more than 100 laws that explicitly discriminate against people affected by Leprosy. Schools, jobs, housing may be out of reach for Leprosy sufferers.

By supporting the Leprosy Mission may we reach out to sufferers, as Christ did. From Leprosy 'Ask' page 4.

Lent Lunches – In Lent we have a simple soup lunch every Wednesday – 28 February and 6, 13, 20 and 27 March. We need volunteers to make or buy soup for 12-15 people. Please contact Janice if you would like to volunteer. This year all proceeds from the lunches will go to Mission for Seafarers. We will be hearing more about their work during Lent.

World Day of Prayer 1 March services- 1 March – 11am

St Richard's Church, Ashburnham Road, Ham,
Richmond, TW10 7NL, Surrey

1 March – 2.30pm

St Matthias Church, Church Road, Richmond, TW10
6LS, London

For an online option: 1 March 10.30am at St
Dunstan's Catholic Church - <https://st-dunstans.org/streaming/>

Parish Lunch The next Parish Lunch at Glenmore House will be on Sunday 7th April at 1pm. Closing date for booking 28th March. Cost £29 – service charged included. Please book with Olga Wickenden.

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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Parish Office

Jay Turland
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The parish office is open at St Mark's Church on Tuesday till Friday mornings 9am – 4.30pm. Please make an appointment or get in touch by phone 02083909129 or email surbitonchurchoffice@gmail.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.

Parish website: www.surbitonchurch.org.uk

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

Opening Hymn 238 New every morning is the love

Collect

Almighty God,
you show to those who are in error the light of your truth,
that they may return to the way of righteousness:
grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of
Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are
contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as
are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Reading: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16
Reader: Maureen Morton

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, 'I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.' Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, 'As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

God said to Abraham, 'As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.'

Reading: Romans 4:13-end
Reader: Katherine Reed

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become 'the father of many nations', according to what was said, 'So numerous shall your descendants be.' He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith 'was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him', were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Gospel Mark 8:31-end

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

Sermon Rev'd Robert Stanier

Intercessions Brigid Crew

Offertory hymn 439 Praise to the holiest in the height

Anthem: View me, Lord - LLOYD

Communion Hymn 382 Jesu, grant me this I pray

Notices

Final Hymn 375 I danced in the morning

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 Sue Paine Margaret Parker
David Gerrard Tom Stanier Martin Palmer

RIP Joan Laidler

This week please pray for:

World Day of Prayer, Wednesday soup lunches, chalice assistants, Audio-Visual teams, vaccination uptake, refugees and the displaced, for God's guidance as we, as individuals, try to be good stewards of this earth. 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

1 Corinthians 1.18-25 & John 2.13-22

Upcoming Concerts at St Andrew Church

9th March - KGS - Choral Society - 7.00pm start
l.calder@kgs.org.uk - for more information

23rd March - Kingston Philharmonia Concert - 7.30pm start
mpm105@hotmail.co.uk - for more information

13th April - Surbiton Symphony Orchestra - 7.00pm start
peterletissier@hotmail.co.uk - for more information