

Sunday 19th May 2024 Pentecost/Whit Sunday

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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 at St Andrew's Also livestreamed on Facebook and Zoom 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:

Reminder Sunday evening services moved to St Mark's at 6pm for the summer

Christian Aid week 12-18 May. This year Christian Aid is highlighting the lives of people living in Burundi in extreme poverty. For over 70% of Burundians daily life is a battle for survival.

At SASMS we are joining churches throughout the UK in the 70K challenge. Janice will walk 70K steps in Christian Aid week and would love to have company. She will do a 3-4 mile walk in Richmond Park on 14 May starting from St Marks at 12.45pm. As we walk we will reflect and pause for prayer at various points. There will also be a walk on Bank Holiday Monday 27 May along the Thames starting at Kingston Bridge (by TK Max) at 11.30am to Hampton Court. All are invited to join in whether on foot,

buggy, mobility scooter or bikes. Please bring a picnic and participants are asked to make a donation to Christian Aid. For more information see Janice.

APCM date: Wednesday 29th May 2024, 7.30 pm at St Mark's

The next **Parish Lunch** will be at Glenmore House on Sunday 2^{nd} June at 1.15 pm. Cost £29, children 12 years old and under half price. Please book with Olga Wickenden.

Next week's readings

Isaiah 6:1-8; Romans 8:12-17; John 3:1-17

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 from Tuesday to Friday, 9am – 4.30pm. Please make an appointment or get in touch by phone 02083909129 or email

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How can I stay in touch?

Twitter @Surbiton Church

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

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

137 Come down, O love divine

Collect

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14
Reader: Greg Melia

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, 'Mortal, can these bones live?' I answered, 'O Lord God, you know.' Then he said to me, 'Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD.' So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, 'Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.' I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, 'Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, "Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely." Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act, says the LORD.'

Psalm 104 vv 26-36

Reading: Acts 2:1-21 Reader: Ruth Shepherd

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs-in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

"In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Gospel

John 15:26-27; 16:4-15

'When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. But I have said these things to you so that when their $\bar{\text{hour}}$ comes you may remember that I told you about them. 'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Sermon Rev'd Carole Bourne

Intercessions Alex Lewis

Offertory hymn 139 Come thou holy spirit come

Anthem: If ye love me – WILBY

Communion Hymn 138 Come, Holy Ghost

Notices and Banns

Final Hymn 140 Holy Spirit come, confirm us

Prayer requests can now be placed in the box at St Mark's church, to the left of the entrance. Prayers will be offered at weekday morning services. All requests will be treated in confidence.

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

RIP Martin Palmer – Funeral Friday 24th May at 11am at St Andrew's Church with the committal later on at Kingston Crematorium

This week please pray for: From our monthly prayer card. Pentecost, organist and choirs, parish office staff, Churches Together in Surbiton, those in residential care and nursing homes, for world leaders and governments as they make decisions about the environment and climate.