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SUNDAY 19 JANUARY (EPIPHANY 2)

- 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
- 10.00am Sung Eucharist
- 4.00pm Messy Church
- 6.00pm Evening Prayer

MONDAY, TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY

- 8.30am Morning Prayer

WEDNESDAY 22 JANUARY

- 3.25pm T Time Tales

THURSDAY 23 JANUARY

- 8.30am Informal Morning Prayer
- 12.45pm Holy Communion (Iona)
- 5.00pm Choral Evensong sung by the
Godfrey Searle Choir

SUNDAY 26 JANUARY (EPIPHANY 3)

- 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
- 10.00am Sung Eucharist
- 6.00pm Evening Prayer

COLLECT FOR TODAY

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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.

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THE FIRST READING**Isaiah 49: 1 to 7**

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.' But I said, 'I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God.' And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength – he says, 'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.' Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, 'Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.'

THE GOSPEL READING**John 1: 29 to 42**

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.' The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

HYMNS AT 10.00AM (ON THE SCREEN)

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| Introit | Jesus calls us o'er the tumult |
| Gradual | I waited for the Lord my God |
| Offertory | Songs of thankfulness and praise |
| Post Communion | There is a Redeemer |

INTERCESSIONS

Please pray for those in particular need:
Sharon Willans, Geraldine Wright,
Jean Hovey, Phyllis Lloyd, Janet Burns,
Yvonne Powell

For those living in Reigate Hill Close

For The Week of Prayer for Christian
Unity

For anniversaries falling at this time:
Dorothy Devereux, Doris Himsworth,
Hilda Elizabeth Baker, Frieda Willson,
Leonard Paxton, Kaye Farrington,
Alan Davison

THE CHURCH CHOIR

Due to the present indisposition of our only soprano voice, we are in urgent need of a couple of willing sopranos who might be able to help. It would be useful if you were able to come to the Thursday evening practice at 7.00pm prior to the Sunday morning service. Please let me know if you would be willing to help.

Terrence Hancock

WINTER NIGHT SHELTER

We have a record number of guests staying in the shelter, but we don't have a full complement of volunteers for all shifts. We also need a standby volunteer for every shift. If you have been trained, please sign up on Dutyman as soon as possible. Speak to Nigel Perkins (07710 110584) for more information.

THE HOLY LAND

Next Sunday, 26 January, I will be speaking of some of my experiences on my Pilgrimage to the Holy Land at our morning services. In particular I will be speaking about Cana in Galilee. Our Communion Wine next Sunday will be from Cana. We will only be using it at the 8.00am and 10.00am services that day, so please try to be here.

Fr Martin



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SMOAT FAMILY BINGO

On Sunday 26 January, SMOAT will be holding a Family Bingo game. Tickets at £6.00 are on sale now. We will sell them after the 10.00am service and they can also be obtained by contacting me at barbara@barbaraperkins.co.uk. The ticket price includes tea, coffee, juice and lots of homemade cakes (including delicious gluten free cakes). Come along and have a fun filled afternoon – 2.30pm to 4.30pm – and support a nurse working for Doctors for Nepal, a wonderful organisation which empowers impoverished students to become doctors, nurses and midwives in their isolated rural communities.

*Barbara Perkins
Chairman*

FAMILIES' PARTY

All families are welcome to come to a Families' Party on **Sunday 2 February 2020**. We will start with our monthly Family Service at 4.00pm and this will be followed by the party in the hall. We will be finished by 6.30pm. There will be no charge for this (but you may wish to make a donation!).

I would be grateful if you could indicate if you intend coming (with numbers) by sending an email to [Alexia Hartman](mailto:Alexia.Hartman@stmarksreigate.co.uk) (office@stmarksreigate.co.uk) to help us with the catering.

CHORAL EVENSONG

The Godfrey Searle Choir from St Mary's will be singing Evensong this term on **Thursdays 23 January, 6 and 27 February, 12 and 26 March**. Let us join together in worshipping God through great choral music.

BIBLE READING NOTES

Perhaps a new year resolution could be committing to reading the Bible more regularly? This can be a daunting task, so to help the Bible Reading Fellowship (BRF) produce notes to guide you through regular Bible reading, giving explanations to help you gain a better understanding of the text. As several members already subscribe to these, we are able to offer a discounted rate of £14.10 for the whole year. That is only about £1.18 per month or £0.27 per week, a tiny amount to invest in reading the Bible! Please speak to Fr Martin and/or sign up on the sheet at the back of the church.

FIRST COMMUNION COURSE

Classes for children aged 7 years or above and who wish to receive Holy Communion start today at 3.00pm (before Messy Church). Just turn up if your children wish to participate. If you have any questions, please speak with Fr Martin.

SPARKFISH AT HOLMESDALE SCHOOL



SPARKFISH

Sparkfish are hosting a 'Think' prayer space at Holmesdale Infants School this month and are partnering with St Mark's to facilitate this. The sessions will be running at the school on 29, 30 and 31 January (with set up on 28 January and pack down on 31 January). Please pray particularly for the school and the team delivering the Think Space during that week. Thank you!

Can you help with setting up or packing down, or with facilitating the sessions with a member of the Sparkfish team? If you can help on any of the days please contact Susannah Dyde, or Jen from Sparkfish at jen@sparkfish.org.uk.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 21 Jan 10.00am St Mark's Buffers
- 23 Jan 5.00pm Choral Evensong
- 25 Jan 8.00pm Social Dance
- 26 Jan 2.30pm SMOAT Family Bingo
- 29 Jan 8.00pm PCC meeting
- 2 Feb 4.00pm Family Service and Families' Party