

# ST MARK'S PARISH CHURCH REIGATE

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## **SUNDAY 15 MAY (EASTER 5)**

- 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)  
10.00am Sung Eucharist and Annual Parochial  
Church Meeting in Church and on-line  
4.00pm Messy Church

## **WEDNESDAY 18 MAY**

- 3.25pm T-Time Tales

## **THURSDAY 19 MAY**

- 12.45pm Holy Communion (Iona) in Church

## **SUNDAY 22 MAY (EASTER 6) Rogation Sunday**

- 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)  
10.00am Sung Eucharist in Church and on-line  
6.00pm Taizé Service

## **THE COLLECT FOR TODAY**

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.

**DIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK**



**CROYDON EPISCOPAL AREA**

**ARCHDEACONRY OF REIGATE**

*These are the readings appointed for today*

## **THE FIRST READING**

### **Acts 11: 1 to 18**

The apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

## **THE GOSPEL READING**

### **John 13: 31 to 35**

During the supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

## **INTERCESSIONS**

Please pray for those in particular need:  
Alison Stagg, Alec Parish,  
Yvonne Powell, Ruston Biggs,  
Margaret Steward, Lennox Hartman.

Bishop Christopher, Robin Dalton,  
Ben Read.

For those living in Fairford Close  
For Reigate Methodist Church

RIP: Ellen Holcroft

For anniversaries falling at this time:  
Sydney Baker, Rosemary Chiverton,  
James Wood, Dulcie Archer,  
Derek Scanlan, Gwyneth Ashby.

### **ANNUAL REPORT 2021**

The Annual Report and Accounts for 2021 is now posted on our website. If you would like a paper copy, please let me know and I will get one to you.

*Terrence Hancock  
PCC Secretary*

### **ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING**

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting and the Easter Vestry Meeting both take place today during the course of the 10.00am service. In order to exercise your vote for Churchwardens, Deputy Wardens, PCC members and Deanery Synod members you **must** be present in church.

### **ANNUAL GIFT DAY**

Our Annual Gift Day will be launched today. Please see the details on the attached leaflet. All donations will be very gratefully received to support the work of the Church. Thank you.

*Mel Crighton,  
PCC Treasurer*

### **ROGATION SUNDAY WALK**

Next Sunday is Rogation Sunday when we will be "beating the bounds" by walking around the parish boundary starting from the Church at 2.00pm and returning by 5.00pm for some refreshment. Please join us (dogs welcome too!) either for the whole walk or for the second half, meeting at the Reigate Hill car park at about 3.30pm to 4.00pm (depending on how fast we walk!) for the last part back to the Church.

### **ST MARK'S TODDLER GROUP**

We have restarted the Parent and Toddler Group on **Mondays from 9.30am to 11.15am** after a 2-year pause. If you could spare some time on Monday mornings to help, the PCC would be very grateful. This is an important part of our outreach and support to the community and is very much valued. In particular we need help from **9.00am** to set up the equipment. Please speak to me if you can help, or just come along. Thank you.

*Fr Martin*

### **SOCIAL DANCES**

Our monthly Ballroom and Latin dances have restarted on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month. The next dance is on **Saturday 28 May** from 8.00pm until 11.00pm. £8.00 entry at the door (card or cash) and you are welcome to bring your own beverages. All proceeds go to the church and all standards welcome – there are plenty of people to help those who are unsure or a bit rusty! Other dances on 23 July and 27 August.

### **TAIZÉ SERVICE**

We are restarting the monthly evening Taizé Service starting next Sunday, 22 May, at 6.00pm. This reflective service with meditative music is an ideal way to reflect at the end of the day. This service will then continue on the **FOURTH** Sunday of the month at 6.00pm.



## **QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE TEA AND SERVICE**

On **Sunday 5 June 2022** St Mark's Church will be holding an Afternoon Tea and an All-age Service to mark and celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. No other monarch has achieved this milestone in our country's history and so this is a time for thanksgiving to God and for celebration.

3.00pm                      Afternoon Tea in the Hall and Garden  
4.30pm                      All-age Celebration and Thanksgiving Service in the Church

All are welcome at the Service which will be suitable for all ages as we come together as one church family.

Tickets for the Afternoon Tea should be ordered in advance from the Parish Office:  
Single Ticket:   £3.00  
Family Ticket   £7.50

During the Afternoon Tea, a Tree will be planted in the Hall Garden to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee.

Please send any notices for the news sheet to Terrence Hancock 📞 01737 761178  
or email [t.f.hancock@btinternet.com](mailto:t.f.hancock@btinternet.com) at the latest by 8.00am on a Thursday