# ST MARK'S PARISH CHURCH REIGATE

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# **SUNDAY 17 MARCH (LENT 5 - PASSION SUNDAY)**

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) in Church 10.00am Sung Eucharist in Church and online

4.00pm Messy Church

### **WEDNESDAY 20 MARCH**

9.00am Prayer Meeting 3.25pm T-Time Tales

### **THURSDAY 21 MARCH**

11.00am Lent Course

12.45pm Holy Communion (Iona)

# **SUNDAY 24 MARCH (PALM SUNDAY)**

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) in Church 10.00am Sung Eucharist in Church and online

(starting in the Hall)

4.00pm Taizé Prayer

# **THE COLLECT FOR TODAY**

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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.

DIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK CROYDON EPISCOPAL AREA
ARCHDEACONRY OF REIGATE

#### These are the readings appointed for today

#### **THE FIRST READING** Jeremiah 31: 31 to 34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt – a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

#### THE GOSPEL READING John 12: 20 to 33

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. 3Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. 'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say - "Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

#### **INTERCESSIONS**

Please pray for those in particular need: Ruston Biggs, Yvonne Powell, Jenny Toye, Jacqueline McCallough, George Hook, Lennox Hartman, Susan Collyer, David Bretherton, Rosemary Absalom. For those living in Merrywood Park For Sandcross Lane Church Reigate For anniversaries falling at this time:

Eileen Scanlan, Leonard Edwards, Anneke Cooke, Royston Hanby, Redvers Garton, Clifford Stagg, Godfrey Wallace-Williams, Jay Rattenbury, Alison (Lally) Druett, Shun Wah Chan.

#### **PRAYER BOARD**

We have reinstated the Prayer Board at the north-east door of the church for people to write their prayer requests. Just fill in the details on a slip of paper, write the date, and pin it to the board. The request can be named or anonymous and it can be for anyone. It will be prayed for by a dedicated team of people. We believe that God answers prayers.

Susannah Dyde



#### **2023 CHRISTMAS APPEAL**

This year's Appeal is raising money for two projects. A Project Uganda project, supporting rainwater harvesting in a rural school in the Rukungiri District, Uganda; and an Our Moon Project, giving funding towards a solar power system for a learning forum in rural Zambia. Both projects, although quite different, will support the education of children who, without the help of people like you and me, would not be able to get an education which can lift them and their families out of poverty. We will be closing the Appeal on 31 March. If you would like to donate, our bank details are: Sort code 40-38-10, A/c No. 93027767, A/c name St Marks Overseas Aid Trust, Ref. 'Christmas Appeal'.

> Barbara Perkins Chairman

#### THE BRIDGE

Copies of the March edition of The Bridge are now available at the back of the church. Read and download from: southwark.anglican.org/thebridge

#### **FOODBANK**

St Matthew's Foodbank are still desperately short of donations. More and more people are turning to the Foodbanks for the first time, and yet the amount of donations has fallen.

If you are able to give anything at all, please leave your donation at the Vicarage. Please remember that no fresh food can be accepted and all tins and packets must be in date.

More information can be found at: https://www.redhillfoodbank.org.uk/shopping-list

#### **LENT**

The Lent Course continues on Thursday 21 March at 11.00am followed by the 12.45pm Holy Communion Service (Iona) and the Lent lunch.

#### **SERVICES IN HOLY WEEK AND ON EASTER SUNDAY**

### Sunday 24 March Palm Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
10.00am Holy Communion with Palm Procession

(in Church and Online)

4.00pm Taizé Prayer

### **Monday 25 March**

8.00pm Stations of the Cross and Compline (in Church)

# **Tuesday 26 March**

8.00pm Stations of the Cross and Compline (in Church)

# Wednesday 27 March

8.00pm Stations of the Cross and Compline (in Church)

# Thursday 28 March Maundy Thursday

8.00pm Holy Communion and Watch *(until 10.30pm) (in Church and Online)* 

# Friday 29 March Good Friday

10.00am Messy Church (in the Hall and Church)

Ideal service for children & families

1.30pm Good Friday Liturgy and Devotional Address (in Church and Online)

# Saturday 30 March Easter Eve

8.00pm Easter Vigil and First Communion of Easter (in Church)

# Sunday 31 March Easter Day

8.00am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
10.00am Sung Eucharist (in Church and Online)

#### **REGULAR GIVING TO ST MARK'S**

If you are able to, please consider making a regular donation to St Mark's through the Parish Giving Scheme. This is the most effective way to donate as we receive 100% of your donation and Gift Aid is automatically claimed. Please follow the link below to sign up.

https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/reigate-st-mark-reigate/

Please contact me if you need any more information. Many thanks.

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