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SUNDAY 28 JULY (TRINITY 9)

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) in Church
10.00am	Sung Eucharist in Church and online
6.00pm	Taizé Prayer

WEDNESDAY 31 JULY

9.00am Prayer meeting in Church

THURSDAY 1 AUGUST

12.45pm Holy Communion (Iona) in Church

SUNDAY 4 AUGUST (TRINITY 10)

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

THE COLLECT FOR TODAY

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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

Ephesians 3: 14 to 21

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as yu are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE GOSPEL READING John 6: 1 to 21

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Jesus, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.' When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, 'It is I: do not be afraid.' Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.

INTERCESSIONS

Please pray for those in particular need: Ruston Biggs, Yvonne Powell, Jacqueline McCallough, George Hook, Lennox Hartman, David Bretherton, Rosemary Absalom, David Lear

For those living in Somers Close

For Redhill Salvation Army

For anniversaries falling at this time: Kathleen Davies, George Phillips, Eva Mann, Anthony Moore, Ivy Stevens, Jean Love, Patricia Fowler, Patricia Heykoop, Joan Wyatt, Scott Kennedy.

PRAYER BOARD

The Prayer Board at the north-east door of the church is 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

FREE BOOKS

Susannah Dyde is having a clear out of my bookshelves. Please help yourselves to any books that interest you from the table in the tower lobby.

PARISH OFFICE

Please note the office will be closed on Tuesday 30 and Wednesday 31 July.

<u>"THE BRIDGE"</u>

Copies of the latest edition of our diocesan newspaper which cover both July and August are now available at the back of the church. Please take a copy with you as you leave this morning's service. You can also download and read The Bridge from southwark.anglican.org/thebridge

FOODBANK

St Matthew's Foodbank is 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: <u>https://www.redhillfoodbank</u>.org.uk/shopping-list

CELEBRATION

Sylvia Weatherald is having a birthday and would be pleased if you would share an Adam-baked cake with her at coffee time after the 10.00am service today.

ST BEDE'S SCHOOL

St Bede's is looking for Sessional Exam Invigilators from January 2025 at a rate of £13.15 per hour. Open Morning for those interested on Tuesday 17 September. More details on the Church website.

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.

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