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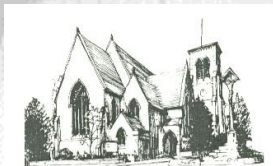
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SUNDAY 25 MAY 2025 (EASTER 6) - ROGATION

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| 8.00am | Holy Communion (BCP) in Church |
| 10.00am | Sung Eucharist in Church and Online |
| 2.00pm | Rogation Sunday – 'Beating the Bounds' |
| 6.00pm | Taizé Prayer |

WEDNESDAY 28 MAY

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| 9.00am | Prayer meeting in the Lady Chapel |
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THURSDAY 29 MAY (ASCENSION DAY)

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| 12.45pm | Holy Communion (Iona) |
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SUNDAY 1 JUNE 2025 (EASTER 7)

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| 8.00am | Holy Communion (BCP) in Church |
| 10.00am | Sung Eucharist in Church and Online |
| 4.00pm | Family Service in Church |

THE COLLECT FOR TODAY

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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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CROYDON EPISCOPAL AREA

ARCHDEACONRY OF REIGATE

These are the readings appointed for today

THE EPISTLE READING

Acts 16: 9 to 15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.

THE GOSPEL READING

John 5: 1 to 9

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids - blind, lame, and paralysed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, 'Do you want to be made well?' The sick man answered him, 'Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me.' Jesus said to him, 'Stand up, take your mat and walk.' At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

INTERCESSIONS

Please pray for those in particular need:
Yvonne Powell, Jacqueline McCallough,
George Hook, Lennox Hartman,
Rosemary Absalom, Jane-Ann Paul,
Sonia Pearson.

For those living in Gatton Close

For St Joseph (RC) Redhill

For anniversaries falling at this time:
Peter Holford, Bert Emsley, Betty Dove,

Gwynne Hancock, Doon Campbell,
Shirley Powell, Alexander (Alec) Parish,
Ann Cason, May Webb, Naomi Sykes,
Margaret Holford.

THE BRIDGE

Copies of The Bridge are now available at
the back of the church.

PARISH OFFICE

Please note the office will be closed on
Wednesday and Thursday 28, 29 May.

ANNUAL GIVING 2025

Thank you to everyone who has donated to our 2025 Annual Giving campaign. We have raised over £5,500 towards our target of £20,000 including Gift Aid. We are looking to raise funds not only to meet running costs in 2025 but to build up some reserves for the future to meet costs as they arise. In our pledge to move closer to net-zero carbon we have already identified the need to replace our two ageing gas boilers and improve insulation in the hall. Please consider making a donation if you feel you are able. More details can be found on the attached leaflet and as always all donations are most gratefully received.

Thank you.

Mel Crighton Treasurer



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BEETLE DRIVE – SAVE THE DATE

We are holding another of our very popular Beetle Drives! Beetle Drive is a simple game that can be enjoyed from school age through to retirement! We will be holding this on **Sunday 29 June** from 2.30pm to 4.30pm. Tickets will cost £6.00 each or £20.00 for a family of four. Included in the price is tea and lots of home made cake and there will also be a tombola! They will be available either through -

<http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/smoat/t-vvyasoy> by going to our website -

<http://www.smoat.org.uk>

or you can contact me at -
chair@smoat.org.uk

Hope to see you there!

*Barbara Perkins
Chairman*

BEATING THE BOUNDS

Today is Rogation Sunday which is traditionally the time when we walk the bounds of the parish in the afternoon starting at 2.00pm outside the Church on Alma Road. The first part of the walk involves walking up Colley Hill. The boundary also passes over the footbridge spanning Reigate Hill thence to the top of Wray Lane where refreshment facilities are available. This is an opportunity to meet together.

FOODBANK

Saint 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:

<https://www.redhillfoodbank.org.uk/shop-ping-list>

ADVANCE NOTICE

The funeral service for Michael Biggs will be at St Mark's on Thursday 19 June at 1.30pm.

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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