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SUNDAY 22 JUNE 2025 (TRINITY 1)

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

TUESDAY 24 JUNE (BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST)

WEDNESDAY 25 JUNE

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| 9.00am | Prayer meeting in the Lady Chapel |
| 3.25pm | T-Time Tales |

THURSDAY 26 JUNE

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| 12.45pm | Holy Communion (Iona) |
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SUNDAY 29 JUNE 2025 (ST PETER & ST PAUL)

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

THE COLLECT FOR TODAY

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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 FIRST READING

Isaiah 65: 1 to 9

The word of the Lord through the prophet: I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, 'Here I am, here I am', to a nation that did not call on my name. I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; who say, 'Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you.' These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the Lord; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. Thus says the Lord: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, 'Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it', so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

THE GOSPEL READING

Luke 8: 26 to 39

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me' – for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding

country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

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 Hartington Close

For St John Redhill

RIP: Shirley Silcock, Derek Slater

For anniversaries falling at this time:

Tony Tanser, Joyce Axon,
Violet Paxton, Muriel Palmer,
Elizabeth Pinder, Alfred Jones,
Percy (Kim) Mortimer-Smith.

ELECTION OF CHURCHWARDENS

Notice is hereby given that a Vestry Meeting will be held next Sunday 29 June 2025 at the conclusion of the 10.00am service for the purpose of electing two Churchwardens. Nominations are now open. Anyone whose name is on the Electoral Roll can be a Churchwarden, and they must be nominated and seconded by anyone whose name is on the Electoral Roll. The Electoral Roll is temporarily closed and will re-open following the meeting next Sunday 29 June.

Fr Martin Colton
Chairman, St Mark's PCC

ANNUAL GIVING 2025

A huge thank you to everyone who has donated to our 2025 Annual Giving campaign. The total raised has reached

£18,188 including Gift Aid compared to our target of £20,000. If you still want to donate but haven't had chance to yet as we can still accept donations for a few more days. As always, all donations are most gratefully received. As you will be aware 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. Thank you.

Mel Crighton Treasurer



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BEETLE DRIVE

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

CONFIRMATION

Bishop Rosemarie will be coming to St Mark's on Sunday 19 October for a Confirmation Service. Any adults or young people (currently in Year 6 or above in school) who wish to be confirmed or to find out more about what this means, please speak to me as soon as possible as we will be starting preparation classes soon.

Fr Martin Colton

"THE BRIDGE"

Copies of the June edition are now available on-line and there are a few print copies at the back of the church.

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>

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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