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SUNDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2025 (HOLY CROSS DAY)

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

WEDNESDAY 17 SEPTEMBER

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

THURSDAY 18 SEPTEMBER

12.45pm Holy Communion (Iona)

SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2025 (ST MATTHEW)

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

THE COLLECT FOR TODAY

Almighty God, who in the passion of your blessed Son made an instrument of painful death to be for us the means of life and peace: grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer for his sake; 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

Numbers 21: 4 to 9

The Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

THE GOSPEL READING

John 3: 13 to 17

Jesus said to Nicodemus: 'No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through 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 Nutley Lane (part)

For Those who give their lives for
Christian ministry

For anniversaries falling at this time:
Margaret Bridgen, Phyllis Detterling,
May Dennis.

CONFIRMATION

Bishop Rosemarie will be coming to St Mark's on Sunday 19 October at 6.30pm for a Confirmation Service. Any adults or young people (currently in Year 7 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 preparation classes have already started.

Fr Martin

HARVEST

Sunday 5 October is the date for our harvest celebration and we will again be collecting much needed tinned produce to give to our local foodbank. There is still a great need locally.

St. Matthew's foodbank is politely asking people to provide tinned foods from a standard list (which includes all items given out in the regular food packages). The standard list can be found online at

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

They do not want any perishable foods, out of date foods, alcohol or medicines.

We will put up the window shelves on Thursday 2 October. Our hope is that many of you will bring a harvest contribution which you could please arrange on the shelves on the Thursday, Friday or Saturday.

There was a wonderful response at St. Mark's last year, so let's try to do even better for this year's harvest !

Thank you in anticipation,

Valerie Jones and Caryl Baughen

HARVEST SUPPER

Please join us for our Harvest supper on Sunday 5 October at 5.00pm following the 4.00pm service. This is always a great opportunity for our whole church community to come together to enjoy a meal of cottage pie and dessert with drinks. The price for adults is £8.00 and children £5.00 with a family ticket £22.00 (max. 2 adults and 3 children). Places must be booked and paid for in advance and please remember to let us know of any dietary requirements. Payment can be made by card machine (at any service or in the office) or by cash or cheque. We are also looking for helpers to prepare food and help to set up, serve and clear away. Please use the sign-up sheets at the back of church or contact Alexia in the church office. Many thanks.

Mel Crighton

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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