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SUNDAY 12 APRIL (EASTER 2)

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

WEDNESDAY 15 APRIL

9.00am Prayer Meeting

THURSDAY 16 APRIL

12.45pm Holy Communion (*IONA*) in Church

SUNDAY 19 APRIL (EASTER 3)

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

THE COLLECT FOR TODAY

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ 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

Acts 2: 14a, 22 to 32

On the day of Pentecost, Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: 'You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know – this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, "I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence." 'Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.'" This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

THE GOSPEL READING

John 20: 19 to 31

When it was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

INTERCESSIONS

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

For those living in Wilmots Close

For Redhill Vineyard Church

For anniversaries falling at this time:
Michael deBurgh Thomas,
Alexandra Bailey, Daisy Mackriell,
Phyllis Gee, ETTY Toye,
Richard Wilmshurst.

ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION

Notice is given that the Church Electoral Roll will be revised by the Parochial Church Council beginning on Sunday 26 April 2026 and ending on Saturday 2 May 2026. If your name is not on the Electoral Roll and you are at least 16 years old, resident in the parish or have habitually worshipped at St Mark's for six months and would like to become a full voting member of our church, please apply online via the church website at:

[Electoral Roll - St Mark's Reigate](https://www.stmarksreigate.co.uk/contact-us/electoral-roll/) (<https://www.stmarksreigate.co.uk/contact-us/electoral-roll/>)

If this is not possible, paper forms are available from the box at the back of the church. Please give completed forms to me, to the duty Warden or to the Parish Office **no later than Thursday 23 April 2026**. The Roll will be back in church on Sunday 3 May 2026 for checking and presentation at the APCM on Sunday 10 May. Only those whose names are on the Electoral Roll are allowed to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

NB If your name is already on the Roll you do not need to do anything.

*Terrence F Hancock
Electoral Roll Officer*

ANNUAL MEETINGS

This is an advance notice that the Annual Vestry Meeting (for the election of churchwardens) and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will both be on Sunday 10 May at the end of the 10.00am service.

ELECTIONS: The following will be required:

Churchwardens: two to be elected to serve for one year.

Deputy Wardens: up to four to be elected to serve for one year.

Deanery Synod representatives: four are to be elected each to serve for three years. Sarah Walker, Suzanne Baker-Hedge and Helen Baron are the current representatives, each of whom are eligible to stand for election.

Elected PCC members: Adam Baldry and Terrence Hancock each retire by rotation. Terrence Hancock is not eligible for re-election. Two people each to serve for three years are therefore required. In addition Patricia Bird is retiring after one year's service leaving a vacancy for a two year period. The remaining elected members of the PCC are Melanie Crighton, Theresa Hill-Smith and Obehighe King.

Please give prayerful thought in considering people to fill these vacancies. **Do not just assume someone will stand – action is required from everyone to either stand or nominate others.** Nomination forms will be posted in church from Sunday 26 April.

HOME GROUP

A group of people of all ages from St Mark's meet fortnightly on Thursday evenings in someone's house to study the Bible together. There is much lively discussion and friendly chat before and after with a cup of coffee and, of course, biscuits. Anyone is welcome to join. Why not give it a try? Please contact me for more information.

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BEATING THE BOUNDS

Sunday 10 May is Rogation Sunday which is traditionally the time when we walk the bounds of the parish in the afternoon starting from St Mark's at 2pm. All are welcome, but it does involve walking to the top of Reigate Hill so you need to be able to manage this. The boundary passes through the car park at the top of Wray Lane where ice creams and hot drinks are available. We usually take about 2½ hours. Dogs are welcome to join us.

PRAYER MEETING

Prayer is an extremely important part of the ministry of St Mark's and the spiritual development of individuals. A Group meet to pray in the lady chapel every Wednesday Morning from 9.00am until 9.30am and anybody is welcome to join. If you can only manage it occasionally, that is alright. We pray for the church and its ministry in the area, for each other's needs, and particularly for the prayer requests that have been put up on the noticeboard at the east entrance of the church.

Many unknown people come in and write prayer requests, and some of them come back to update their prayer request and to write a thank you for praying for them, so we know that it is valued by the local community. Please feel free to come and join us.

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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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