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SUNDAY 30 AUGUST (TRINITY 13)

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) in Church

10.00am Sung Eucharist in Church and online

WEDNESDAY 2 SEPTEMBER

9.00am Prayer Meeting

THURSDAY 3 SEPTEMBER

12.45pm Holy Communion (*IONA*) in Church

SUNDAY 6 SEPTEMBER (TRINITY 14)

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) in Church

10.00am Sung Eucharist in Church and online

4.00pm Café Church in the Hall

THE COLLECT FOR TODAY

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, 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

Jeremiah 15: 15 to 21

O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts. I did not sit in the company of merry-makers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. Therefore, thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

THE GOSPEL READING

Mtthew 16: 21 to 28

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

INTERCESSIONS

Please pray for those in particular need:

Yvonne Powell, Jacqueline McCallough,
George Hook, Lennox Hartman,
Rosemary Absalom, Jane-Ann Paul,
Sonia Pearson,
Christopher and Sylvia Loring.

For those living in Conifer Close

For St Andrew, Gatton

For anniversaries falling at this time:

Sheila Orton, Sylvia Crabbe,
John Stammers, Michael Smith,
Tom Shucksmith, Sheila Castle,
Margaret Dowse, Gwen Thomas,
Kay Porter.

THE WORD FOR TODAY

FREE copies of 'The Word for Today' for the next three months are at the back of church. These contain a short meditation based on a single Bible verse for each day, and can be incredibly helpful.

FOODBANK

St Matthew's Food bank 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 or at the back of the Church. 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>

LENDING LIBRARY

Feel free to borrow any book you like from the lending library in the Bell Tower, and return it when you have finished. If you want to add any of your own books to the lending library, Christian books only, please do so.

HARVEST SUPPER

Our annual Harvest Supper will be held on **Sunday 4 October at 5.00pm**. Tickets will be on sale soon but please put the date in your diaries. We will also be looking for volunteers to help with cooking, setting up, serving and clearing away, and more details will follow on that too.

Mel Crighton

CAFÉ CHURCH

On **Sunday 6 September** we will be launching Café Church **at 4.00pm**. This is a relaxed service for all ages in the Hall with coffee/tea etc and cake! Please come along or even volunteer to help.

REVEREND REG

Reg is taking on an incredible challenge to mark his 50th birthday – flying down the highest zipline in the UK, reaching speeds of up to 100 miles per hour! This thrilling adventure is about raising money for two charities that are making a real difference in people's lives:

Renewed Hope (who run the Winter Night Shelter and help homeless people throughout the year);

SMOAT (supporting community-level development projects in some of the world's poorest countries.

Every donation will help these charities continue their life-changing work.

Donate via this JustGiving page:

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfundimg/reginaldgrant-ziplineforagoodcause>

Thank you for helping.



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SMOAT QUIZ – Save the Date!

We will be holding another Helier Dreux Quiz on Saturday 10 October 2026. For those who have not attended before, Helier's quizzes are quite different from your normal pub quizzes and are a lot of fun. Tables will be up to eight people, so come along with friends or join a table on the night. You won't be disappointed! Ticket prices will include cheese and charcuterie boards and you can bring your own drinks. Details are still being finalised but tickets will be going on sale shortly so watch this space!

Barbara Perkins
Chairman

PARISH OFFICE

The office will be closed on Monday 31 August and Tuesday 1 September, re-opening on Wednesday 2 September.

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.

Mel Crighton Treasurer,

Please send any notices for the news sheet to Terrence Hancock ☎ 01737 761178 or email terrence.hancock1976@gmail.com at the latest by 8.00am on a Thursday