

# ST MARK'S PARISH CHURCH REIGATE

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## **SUNDAY 4 NOVEMBER (ALL SAINTS / ALL SOULS)**

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)  
10.00am Parish Eucharist  
6.00pm All Souls' Memorial Service

## **MONDAY TO WEDNESDAY**

9.15am Morning Prayer

## **WEDNESDAY 7 NOVEMBER**

10.00am Vintage Tea  
3.25pm T Time Tales  
8.00pm Discipleship Explored 5 of 8

## **THURSDAY 8 NOVEMBER**

9.15am Informal Prayer Meeting  
9.45am Discipleship Explored 5 of 8  
12.45pm Holy Communion (Iona)  
5.00pm Choral Evensong sung by  
The Godfrey Searle Choir

## **SUNDAY 11 NOVEMBER (REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY)**

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)  
**9.45am** Sung Eucharist and Act of Remembrance  
at the War Memorial  
6.00pm Taizé Prayer

## **THE COLLECT FOR TODAY**

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

**DIOCESE OF SOUTHWARK**



**CROYDON EPISCOPAL AREA**

**ARCHDEACONRY OF REIGATE**

## **THE FIRST READING**

## **Revelation 21: 1 to 6a**

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.'

## **THE GOSPEL READING**

## **John 11: 32 to 44**

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?' Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

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## **INTERCESSIONS**

Please pray for those in particular need:  
Sharon Willans, Jane-Ann Paul,  
Henry Miller

For those who live in Washington Close

For Reigate Methodist Church  
For anniversaries falling this week:  
Tom Pinder, Mary Waterlow,  
Charles McCullagh, John Sharpley,  
Margery Galloway

## **DISCIPLESHIP EXPLORED**

This term I will be leading a new course based on St Paul's Letter to the Philippians. It will run for 8 weeks on Wednesday evenings at 8.00pm and Thursday mornings from 9.45am. The next sessions are on Wednesday 7 November and Thursday 8 November. The course books cost £2.50 each – please sign up on the sheet. This course is suitable for everyone at St Mark's, whatever age. Try the next session with no obligation to continue!

*Fr Martin*

## **CHORAL EVENSONG**

The Godfrey Searle Choir will be singing Choral Evensong at St Mark's this Thursday (8 November) at 5.00pm. They will also be here on Thursdays 22 November and 6 December. All are welcome to come along and participate with some of the finest Choral music in the praise of God.

## **COMMUNION CLASSES**

We will be holding classes this autumn for any children aged 7 or over who wish to receive Holy Communion. If you would like your child(ren) included, please speak with Fr Martin or Reverend Anna.

## **"THE BRIDGE"**

Copies of the November edition of our diocesan newspaper are now at the back of the church. Please do take a copy with you. They are free!

## **PARISH CHRISTMAS CARD**

As in past years, we hope to deliver a card detailing our Christmas services to every home in the parish. We need help from everyone to achieve this, so please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the tower entrance. The cards should be ready for collection on Sunday 25 November.

## **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**

Next Sunday is Remembrance Sunday, the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ending of the First World War, and 2 weeks before the 101<sup>st</sup> anniversary of our War Memorial (the 'Reigate War Memorial'). Our Remembrance Sunday Service will start earlier at **9.45am** to allow us to be at the Reigate War Memorial outside St Mark's Church for 11.00am.

*Fr Martin*

The collection at this service will be donated to Combat Stress, centred at Leatherhead, which treats ex-servicemen and women suffering from mental health conditions. The number of service personnel who need community or residential treatment has increased enormously due to the nature of recent wars i.e. fortress camps, IEDs and suicide bombers. Please give generously to help these people to enjoy a more stable life.

*Brian Rowbotham, PCC Treasurer*

## **KITCHEN PROJECT FINAL PHASE**

We still need to raise funds for the final phase of the project which is to replace the folding doors to the Committee Room as these can no longer be operated fully following the extension. If you would like to make a donation, cheques should be made payable to St Mark's PCC or donations can be made online using the following link: <https://mydonate.bt.com/events/newkitchenstmarks>. Please gift aid any donations if you can as the project benefits by an additional £25 per £100 donated.

Many thanks as always for all your support.

*Mel Crighton, Nicci Lloyd,  
Barbara Perkins*

## **VINTAGE TEA**

This Wednesday from 10.00am to 12 noon the monthly Vintage Tea takes place in Church. Do come along.

## **ADVANCE NOTICE**

Christmas wreath-making afternoon  
**Sunday 2 December 2018 at 3.00pm.** Tickets for this very popular event are now available through the parish office or online at the following website:

[www.ticketsource.co.uk/stmarksreigate](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/stmarksreigate). Please see the flyer or Facebook for further details. All proceeds to church funds.

## **HELP WANTED**

We continue to seek a team or individual co-ordinator and collator to assemble the various aspects of our Parish magazine since our former Editor Malcolm Toye stepped down in March 2018. Basing the magazine in the Parish Office was intended as an interim measure, which will come to an end with the December 2018 issue.

Whilst much of the job involves collating contributions from others, we are open to fresh ideas and a new perspective, someone with experience with design and with an eye to our online presence through the magazine.

If this sparks your interest and you have about 4-6 hours a month available to chase, collate and set the magazine this could be for you! If you are curious and tempted to become involved in taking this forward into the next phase, please contact Fr. Martin or Shona in the Parish Office to learn more. Thank you.

## **JOIN US MAKING CHRISTINGLES**

Come and join the team on 22 December at 11.00am in the Hall, making Christingles for the Children's Society Service. Christingles are decorated oranges and we have around 200 to make, so the more volunteers we have, the better. Instruction will be given. To volunteer, or to find out more about it, contact Jenny Toye (01737 247016). Tea, coffee and biscuits will be supplied.

## **CHRISTINGLE AND CRIB SERVICE**

On Christmas Eve we shall be celebrating with a Crib and Christingle Service at 4.00pm. The collection will raise vital funds for The Children's Society. If you are unable to attend but would like to contribute, there is a box at the back of the church containing Christingle collection candles. When filled please let us have them any Sunday before 24 December. Many thanks.

*Tony & Patricia Bird*

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

7 Nov	10.00am	Vintage Tea
7 Nov	8.00pm	Discipleship Explored
8 Nov	9.45am	Discipleship Explored
	5.00pm	Choral Evensong
11 Nov	<b>9.45am</b>	Remembrance Sunday Service
18 Nov	4.00pm	Messy Church
20 Nov	10.00am	St Mark's Buffers
22 Nov	5.00pm	Choral Evensong
24 Nov	8.00pm	Social Dance
2 Dec	3.00pm	Wreath Making

Please send any notices for the news sheet to Terrence Hancock 📧 01737 761178 or by email to [t.f.hancock@btinternet.com](mailto:t.f.hancock@btinternet.com) at the latest by 9.00am on Thursday