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SUNDAY 4 OCTOBER (HARVEST THANKSGIVING)

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| 8.00am | Holy Communion (BCP) in Church |
| 10.00am | Sung Eucharist in Church and online |
| 4.00pm | All-age Service for Harvest |
| 5.00pm | Harvest Supper |

WEDNESDAY 7 OCTOBER

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| 9.00am | Prayer Meeting |
| 3.25pm | T-Time Tales |

THURSDAY 8 OCTOBER

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| 12.45pm | Holy Communion (<i>IONA</i>) in Church |
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SUNDAY 11 OCTOBER (TRINITY 19)

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

THE COLLECT FOR TODAY

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; 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

2 Corinthians 9: 6 to 15

The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.' He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift.

THE GOSPEL READING

Luke 12: 16 to 30

Jesus told the people a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.' He said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them.'

INTERCESSIONS

Please pray for those in particular need:
Yvonne Powell, Jacqueline McCallough,
Lennox Hartman, Rosemary Absalom,
Jane-Ann Paul, Sonia Pearson,
Christopher and Sylvia Loring.
For those living in Doods Way

For Reigate & Redhill YMCA

For anniversaries falling at this time:
Thomas Alder, Peter Dowse,
Margaret Sheppard Fidler, Iris Liell,
George Burns, Shirley Simms,
Winifred Rengger, Monica Hearley,
Horace Stoneley, Kathie Kennedy,

Arthur Oakley, Norman Taylor,
Frederick Phipps, Rosalind Williams,
Joan Wallis.

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/s-hopping-list>



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HELIER DREUX QUIZ

SMOAT is delighted to welcome back Helier Dreux for one of his fantastic quizzes on Saturday 10 October. Doors will open at 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start. Tickets will be £15.00 per person and will include a charcuterie and cheese board. There will also be a raffle. There is no bar so please bring your own drinks. Tickets are available at:

https://www.ticketsource.com/whats-on?date=next_month&q=St+Mark%27s+overseas+aid+trust

or you can contact me at
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We look forward to seeing you there!

Barbara Perkins
Chairman

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.

REIGATE DEANERY OPEN EVENT

All are invited to join Deanery members for a special **Reigate Deanery Charities and Community Marketplace**.

We are hoping to bring together around **20 local charities and organisations** from across our Deanery and surrounding communities. It will be an opportunity to meet the people behind these organisations, find out more about the work they are doing, and discover how our churches and church communities might be able to support them.

We hope it will be an inspiring and enjoyable evening celebrating the incredible work taking place within our local communities.

Thursday 15 October 2026

7.30pm – 9.00pm

**St Mary's Church Centre,
Chart Lane, Reigate, RH2 7RN**

FUNERALS

The service for **Margaret Markham** will be in **St Mark's on Tuesday 13 October at 12 noon** followed by refreshment in the Hall.

The service for **Geoff Hobbs** will be at **Surrey and Sussex Crematorium on Monday 19 October at 1.15pm** followed by refreshments in the Hall.

All are welcome at both these services.

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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