



Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton

In the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry

22nd November 2020

Sunday next before Advent

Christ the King



Join our services live online or watch later

- no one currently permitted in church:

**9.30am '20MinutestoPraiseGod' a short service
focused on children and young people**

10.30am Service of Holy Communion

For links to these services please see our website

Collect for the Week

God the Father:

help us to hear the call of Christ the King
and to follow in his service,
whose kingdom has no end;
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit
one God, one glory. **Amen.**

Give thanks for answered prayer: and please pray for:

Reverends Helen Hancock, Luke Wickings, David Nyirongo, Carolyn Lucas & their families, Jen Houghton and family, THiS Team, Laurence and Theodora Broyd and the whole family following the death of Phyllis Broyd (Laurence's mother), Beth, Ann, family and friends of Stuart Russell, a former member of St Matthew's who died last weekend, Carol Bainbridge, Miles Stewart Williams and Paul Atkins.

The Church will be open for private individual prayer

Mon – Sat 8.30am – 2pm, from Mon 23 Nov to Sat 28 Nov.

Sermon Series we come to the last our series thinking about our vision 'Seven Whole Days in a time of Covid and . . . ' looking at how our Vision might shape our actions and our thinking in these difficult times.

Christmas Lunch on Jesus – if you would like to get involved with this project which provides festive meals for local people in need please do take a look at their website:

www.christmaslunchonjesus.org.uk

Can you give the Holy Family a bed for the night?

We are running a virtual Posada where Mary, Joseph and Bonkey the Donkey travel around the parish each night of Advent. The Holy Family can stay in your home by using figures from your nativity set, dressing dolls or colouring templates which we will provide.

Arrange a short virtual meet-up via Zoom or by phone to receive the Holy Family and then another as you pass them on to their next hosts. It's a great way to meet others from Church and reflect on the travels of Mary and Joseph during Advent.

Please sign up now for a date now by visiting:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0B48A4AE2FA1FF2-posada>

Please contact Jen if you have any questions - jen.houghton@hotmail.com or 07792 242 710.

Eco-Church As part of our efforts to become an Eco-Church, we are looking to find out if anyone in our Church family is already engaged in local conservation work. If you have a passion for local wildlife, birds, are involved in conservation work or are active with any environmental organisations, please do let now Jen know (jen.houghton@hotmail.com or 07792 242 710).



Thank you to the person who kindly donated a new clock for the church, as requested last week.

'Free' money from smile.amazon - St Matthew's is set up as a registered charity with Smile.Amazon. Amazon will donate 0.5% of all eligible purchases you make to St Matthew's. All you need to do is go to www.smile.amazon.co.uk instead of their usual website and select St Matthew's Church, Surbiton as your chosen charity. All your current account details, prices and benefits will remain the same. Then each time you want to shop on Amazon, make sure you go to smile.amazon and you will be raising funds for St Matthew's, at no extra cost to you. <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1143978-0> THANK YOU!

For more information about our church and events visit our website at

www.stmatthewskt6.org

email address: admin@stmatthewskt6.org Facebook 'StMatthewsChurchSurbiton'

Julie is still working, although sometimes from home.

Please don't try to visit the Parish Office for the time being but we can be reached on the phone:

Parish Office 020 8390 5121

Rev Helen Hancock 020 8390 3829

Motto Verse2020

Out of reverence for the Lord, I acted differently

based on Nehemiah 5.15