



**Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton**  
In the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry  
**5<sup>th</sup> September 2021**  
**The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity**  
**“Reaping a rich harvest in Ruth”**



**All our services are now onsite and online**

**9.00am Service of Holy Communion**

**10.45am Morning Worship for all ages and stages**

**If you are attending a service in church, social distancing must be observed and a face covering worn while moving around inside the building, please.**

**Your details will be taken for track and trace.**

**Please do not attend in person if you any symptoms of the virus.**

**To watch online ‘as live’ or later please visit our [YouTube Channel](#)**

**Just search St Matthew’s Church Surbiton and, if you want, click “Subscribe”**

*Please note that all our services are live streamed. If you sit in the pews from the third pew back you should not be visible but by attending onsite you are presumed to have consented to the terms of our location warning notice.*

*Please see the notices in church or on the front page of the website which explains more.*

*At the 9 am service the choir will sing the anthem “Lord, I Trust Thee” by Handel and the organ voluntary will be ‘Menuet gothique’ by Leon Boellmann.*

**Collect**

Merciful God, your Son came to save us  
and bore our sins on the cross:

may we trust in your mercy and know your love,  
rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

***Give thanks for answered prayer: and please pray for:***

For Janet Harries, Sarah Rowe, Julia Bowden, Amy Diamond, and Victor Cuthbert, and THiS Team Ministry.

This afternoon, **Sunday 5 Sept at 4pm** there is a live –streamed service from **Glasgow Cathedral** in preparation for COP26. Watch it here <https://www.climatesunday.org/nationsclimatesundayservice>

**The Heritage Open Day -**

As part of the National Heritage Open Days we will once again be open next **Sat 11 Sept.**

Music, heritage, children's trail, trips up the Tower (must be booked in advance), recitals, still life drawing class, craft activities for children and lots more, Balance Café serving light refreshments, concluding with a concert at 4pm. All welcome – come along and bring your friends!

**St Matthew’s Weekend 25 /26 Sept** - On Saturday there will be two films at the cornerHOUSE in Douglas Rd. At 4pm we’ll show ‘Aladdin’ and children are encouraged to come dressed up for the event. At 7pm there will be a film for adults with bar open and the opportunity to mix a little in a socially distanced safe kind of way.

It is proposed that we will have one **Joint All-age Harvest Service on Sunday 26 at 10am** (followed by a short service of Holy Communion) with Come and Sing Choral Evensong at 5pm (rehearsal at 3pm). (The service arrangements are subject to change if COVID situation requires.)

Diary for the Week			
more notices are on the church website at <a href="http://www.stmatthewskt6.org">www.stmatthewskt6.org</a>			
Wednesday	8	10-4pm	Balance Café: Sitzler Room. All welcome
Thursday	9	10am	SMArties
		6.30pm	Choir Practice
Saturday	11	10-4pm	The Heritage Open Day in Church: see notice
<b>15th Sunday</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
<b>after Trinity</b>		<b>10.45am</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b> for all ages and stages
		<b>5pm</b>	<b>FUEL</b> – Young people's group across THiS Team

Not currently in a Home Group? Why not join our 4-week course on 'fullness of life' and our Motto verse - 7.45pm in Church on Tuesday evenings starting **14th Sept.** More details from Course leader Jen on [07792 242 710](tel:07792242710) or at [jen.houghton@hotmail.com](mailto:jen.houghton@hotmail.com).

**'Another-not-very-far-AwayDay' at Shrewsbury House on Sat 16 Oct 10 - 4.30pm.**

Tickets are available from next Sunday before or after services £5 for adults, free for children. Please pay by card, if possible. We are delighted Peter Graystone is returning to give us his talk about the New Testament. Bring your own food and drink for lunch. Worship, fellowship, activities for relaxation, discussions and a full programme for children.

**'Warp Weft Stitch Paint'** - textile artwork by Joan Scriven and Gill Davies.

Exhibition until Sept 26 at the cornerHOUSE, Douglas Rd, MEET THE ARTISTS Evening 7-9pm, **Wednesday Sept 8** Otherwise by arrangement [gilldavesart@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:gilldavesart@hotmail.co.uk)

**The Bereavement Journey** a six week course for those who have been bereaved will start again on Tuesday mornings from **28 September** in the Chapel. Open to everyone whether of faith or no faith – is there someone you should be inviting? For more details please speak with Susan Kang.



**This week's eco-tip :** Write an email to your MP, asking what actions they are personally taking to combat the climate emergency or to reduce pollution in the area, or another environmental priority.

**Flowers** – would you be prepared to put some flowers in church for one Sunday please? We are experimenting with people having a go themselves rather than having a few 'flower ladies' arranging them. It could be in memory of a loved one or to celebrate a birthday or anniversary. You don't need to offer a grand arrangement but some fresh flowers always brighten the church. Please let Marilyn Leach know if you could volunteer and if there is a particular date. Thank You! [leach.marilyn3@gmail.com](mailto:leach.marilyn3@gmail.com)

Would you like to find out more about your faith and the church? If so, the **Bishop's Certificate** might be for you. Talk to Sheena Evans (who is a recent completer and fan) or have a look here <https://southwark.anglican.org/mission-ministry/ministry/discipleship-ministry/discipleship/bishops-certificate/>

**Foodbank** - Urgent items please: Pot Noodles and Instant Mash, washing up liquid and washing machine tablets plus shampoo and men and women's deodorant. Thank you.

Website [www.stmatthewskt6.org](http://www.stmatthewskt6.org) email address: [admin@stmatthewskt6.org](mailto:admin@stmatthewskt6.org)

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