



Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton

In the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry

19th September 2021

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity "Reaping a rich harvest in Ruth"

Bible reading Ruth 3: 1-11



All our services are now onsite and online

9.00am Service of Holy Communion

10.45am Morning Worship with Holy Communion for all ages and stages

If you are attending a service in church, we encourage you to continue to wear a face covering while moving around the building and when singing.

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.

Collect

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Give thanks for answered prayer: and please pray for:

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

Diary for the Week

more notices are on the church website at www.stmatthewskt6.org

Tuesday	21		St Matthew's Day
		7.45pm	4 week course "Fullness of Life" in church – see notice
Wednesday	22	10-4pm	Balance Café: Sitzler Room. All welcome
Thursday	23	10am	SMARTies: Sitzler Room
		6.30pm	Choir Practice
<u>St Matthew's Weekend</u>			
Saturday	25	4pm	Children's Film – 7pm PG13 Film for Adults at the corner HOUSE
16th Sunday after Trinity	26	10am	Joint All Age Harvest Service (followed by a short service of Holy Communion)
		5pm	Come and Sing THiS Team Choral Evensong (rehearsal at 3pm) see notice

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 which started on **14th September**. More details from Course leader Jen on 07792 242710 or at jen.houghton@hotmail.com.

Seating - We are experimenting with seating over the next few weeks but we will always endeavour to ensure that there are seats which are well distanced for those who prefer. If you have any comments or suggestions – please speak with Helen, Mike or Jackie.

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 a children's film and children are encouraged to come dressed up for the event. At 7pm there will be a PG13 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 26th at 10am** (followed by a short service of Holy Communion) with **Come and Sing THIS Team Choral Evensong at 5pm** (rehearsal at 3pm). There will be a collection for Foodbank (please see urgently required items below and NO pasta, cereals, baked beans, coffee thanks), for Christian Aid (bring a cheque already made out to 'Christian Aid' or cash) or give from home online. You will also be invited to give of your time and talents by volunteering to help the running of the church in some way – more details on the day.

'Another-not-very-far-AwayDay' at Shrewsbury House on Sat 16th October 10 - 4.30pm. Tickets are available from this 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.

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 a local councillor, asking what environmental actions they are taking locally. For instance, are they supporting World Car Free day on 22nd September?

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

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. Money donations at: <https://kingston.foodbank.org.uk/> Thank you.

Website www.stmatthewskt6.org email address: admin@stmatthewskt6.org

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You can contact Rev Helen Hancock on 020 8390 3829 or teamrector@stmatthewskt6.org