



Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton

In the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry

31st October 2021

All Saints Day

The Fourth Sunday before Epiphany

“Six of the best” the letter to the Ephesians

Reading : Ephesians 5:2-5, 15-20



All our morning 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, we ask you 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.

At the 9am service the choir will sing the anthem 'My eyes for beauty pine' with music by Herbert Howells and words by Robert Bridges. The organ voluntary is 'Toccata on Sine Nomine' by Simon Hancock.

Collect

God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age:
as we rejoice in the faith of your saints,
inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy:
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Give thanks for answered prayer: and please pray for: For Sarah Rowe, Julia Bowden, Amy Diamond, Stephen Perry, David Weir & THiS Team Ministry. For Jen Houghton and Kirsty Watson (both ordinands from THiS Team) away on a one-week residential training course.

Diary for the Week

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

Monday	1		Remedial Stonework Project begins – see notice
Tuesday	2	10.30-1pm	The Bereavement Journey, last of 6 week Course: Chapel
Wednesday	3	10-2pm	Balance Café: Sitzler Room. All welcome
Thursday	4	10am	SMArties: Sitzler Room
		6.30pm	Choir Practice
Saturday	6	10.am	Team Autumn Walk- Horton Park -see notice
			<u>Creation Sunday</u>
Third Sunday before Advent	7	9am	Holy Communion
		10.45am	Morning Worship for all ages and stages
		3pm onwards	Open Afternoon for a time of reflection
		(see notice)	Refreshments at 4.30pm before a Service of Remembering and Thanking at 5pm

Six of the best this week is the fifth in a sermon series on the letter to the Ephesians which gives clear teaching and practical advice for the church on how to be church – as relevant today as it was when it was written. A chapter a week for six weeks

Mourning a loss? Next **Sunday 7 November** as part of being a Bereavement Friendly Church we are holding an open afternoon from 3pm for people to come and reflect on the last 18 months and to light a candle and enjoy the peace of our lovely building. Our usual Service of Remembering and Thanking for anyone who has lost loved ones will be at 5pm, with refreshments from 4.30pm. All welcome

AwayWeekend - Following our recent successful AwayDay we now ask you all to put May 6 – 8 2022 in your diaries for our **AwayWeekend** at the DeVere Horsley Hotel. More details in the New Year but please save the dates!

Phase 2 of the remedial stonework project should begin on 1 November. There will be more scaffolding going up around the building as stones are replaced at lower levels. External access to the Parish Office and the church drive will both be out of action until work finishes in (hopefully) mid-January. Any questions please ask Helen or the Wardens,

Foodbank- Urgent items please: Fruit squash, Instant Mash, Rice, 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.

Team Autumn Walk Saturday 6th November 2021- Our Team Autumn Walk will take place around Horton Country Park, Ewell meeting at 10am. Situated only 4 miles from Tolworth, the park has wide paths, some of which were a railway in the past, which can be muddy in places, a Bat Roost and is a joy to stroll around. The 3.3 mile loop is virtually flat and very child friendly. Full directions to the start car park etc, are on page 3 of the notice sheet on the church website, church noticeboard or phone Dave Farris on 07540 702400.

The Flower Team - If you would like to volunteer to join the "Take a Bunch" flower rota please email Marilyn Leach at leach.marilyn3@gmail.com Thank you.



-This week's eco tip – **Contact your pension provider and ask them to divest from fossil fuels (visit the charityshareaction.org for advice). Switch any other savings you may have to ethical ISA's or savings accounts.**

Oberammergau Passion Play 2022 - William and Joan are leading a group to see the 10-yearly passion play in Germany in May next year – put off from 2020. The tour includes a 5-night holiday in the lakes and mountains of Austria finishing with 2 nights in the Passion Play village. See the poster in church; full details and brochure from William on 07818 641576 (wallberry49@gmail.com).

(Please note: the Holy Land pilgrimage planned for February next year will be put back to February/March 2023).

**Website www.stmatthewskt6.org email address: admin@stmatthewskt6.org
Parish Office 020 8390 5121 (Julie is mixing working from home and in the Office so please call her if you need to be in touch more urgently 07889 753290)
You can contact Rev Helen Hancock on 020 8390 3829 or teamrector@stmatthewskt6.org**

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Afterwards, should you wish to join us, we'll be going to The Horton Park Golf Club where they offer a range of cooked meals and light snacks.

Directions

From Tolworth take the A240 towards Epsom. Turn right into Ruxley Lane, signpost West Ewell B2200. At the traffic lights at the end of Ruxley Lane turn left into Chessington Rd B284. At the roundabout follow the B284, second exit, into Hook Road, with the Horton Park golf Club on your right. At the next roundabout take the second exit, Horton Lane, signpost West Park & New Cottage Hospital. Follow the signs for West Park & New Cottage Hospital for the next 3 roundabouts. 150 yards after the third roundabout take the right hand turn into Horton Country Park and bear left to the parking area.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Dave & Jackie Farris

Accommodation request - If anyone knows of any spare (min two bedroom) accommodation in the Tolworth/Surbiton area required urgently for a member of the extended church family please let Heather Palmer know on 07798 695287.