



Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton

In the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry

7th November 2021

Creation Sunday

The Third Sunday before Advent



All our morning services are now onsite and online

9.00am Service of Holy Communion

10.45am Morning Worship for all ages and stages

3pm Open Afternoon for a time of reflection

with refreshments at 4.30pm before

a service of Remembering and Thanking at 5pm.

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 "Creation's Hymn" by Beethoven.

Collect

Heavenly Lord,
you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy,
restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope
that all creation will one day be healed
in 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.

Diary for the Week

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

Wednesday	10	10-2pm	Balance Café: Sitzler Room. All welcome
Thursday	11	10am	SMArties: Sitzler Room
		11am	Remembrance Service for the residents and staff of the Royal Star & Garter Home
		6.30pm	Choir Practice
Second Sunday before Advent	14		Remembrance Sunday
		9am	Holy Communion
		10.45am	Morning Worship for all ages and stages

AwayWeekend - Following our successful AwayDay we now ask you all to put May 6 – 8 2022 in your diaries for our **AwayWeekend** at the De Vere Horsley Hotel. More details in the New Year.

Mourning a loss- This afternoon 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 mths, 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

Phase 2 of the remedial stonework project has begun. 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,

Kingston Street Pastors are holding a Memorial Prayer Vigil for Bereavement on Friday 12th November outside **Kingston United Reformed Church** from **9pm to 11pm**. All are welcome to attend and they are also **seeking volunteers** who can welcome people, pray with people and offer support. For more information contact Charlie Bamford at kingston@streetpastors.org.uk

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.

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 – Inform yourself about the climate emergency and ecological crisis by reading websites such as www.campaigncc.org. Pray for those at COP26 seeking global cooperation to combat climate change.

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 poster in church; full details and brochure from William on 07818 641576. wallberry49@gmail.com (PI note: the Holy Land pilgrimage planned for Feb next year will be put back to Feb/March 2023).

Job opportunity at St Paul's Church, Hook – St Paul's are looking for a Parish Office & Lettings Administrator. Initially 7 hrs (2 mornings) per week increasing to 14 hrs (4 mornings) from 1st June, term time only (39 weeks). You will need to have good inter-personal skills, be efficient, organised and having the ability to deal with a wide range of people. Competence in office management, with knowledge of programmes such as Microsoft Office, Word, Excel and PowerPoint. Work on your own initiative and have a flexible attitude. If you are interested in applying, please contact the Parish Office on parish.office@stpaulschurchhook.org.uk or 020 8391 2362 for an application form which will need to be returned to Rev. Luke Wickings, St Paul's Vicarage, 278 Hook Road, Hook, Chessington KT9 1PF by **Tues. 30th November 2021**. Interviews will be held early December.

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.

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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