



# Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton

In the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry

## 21st November 2021

### Christ the King

### Sunday next before Advent

Readings: Revelation 1: 4b-8 and John 18:33-37 .



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

## 9.00am Morning Prayer

## 10.45am Holy Communion with children's groups

**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](#) St Matthew's Church Surbiton

*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.*

**We welcome Rev Carolyn Lucas for our THiS Team Pulpit Exchange today. Nicholas will be with Helen at St Paul's and Luke at St George's.**

*At the 9am service the choir will sing the anthem "Christ is the World's True Light" by J S Bach and the organ voluntary will be the chorale prelude 'Eternity, thou word of power' by Karg-Elert.*

### **Collect**

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:** For Sarah Rowe, Julia Bowden, Amy Diamond, Stephen Perry, David Weir, Janet Bolton & THiS Team Ministry.

### **Diary for the Week - more notices are on the church website at [www.stmatthewskt6.org](http://www.stmatthewskt6.org)**

Monday	22	11am	Holy Communion for the residents of Milverton Care Home
Wednesday	24	10-2pm	Balance Café: Sitzler Room. All welcome
Thursday	25	10am	SMArties: Sitzler Room
		6.30pm	Choir Practice
<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
		<b>10.45am</b>	<b>Morning Worship for all ages and stages</b>

**Service Pattern** - Following a short informal consultation we will return to having Morning Prayer on the third Sunday at 9am. So going forward we will trial a new service pattern at 9am as sung Holy Communion on the first and last Sundays of the month, spoken HC on the second Sunday and Morning Prayer on the third. Morning Prayer will take a variety of forms. If you would like to be involved in thinking through that service and other matters around worship then let Helen know so we can create an informal Worship Team which will cover both services. At 10.45am Holy Communion will continue on the third Sunday and baptisms will be offered on the second and fourth Sundays.



**This week's eco tip** – Take an eco action at work- like turning off your computer at the end of the working day or bringing a reusable coffee cup. See how your colleagues react.

**Eco-Church WhatsApp Group** - Want to hear recommendations of eco-friendly products and services which have worked for others? Or keep up-to-date with simple lifestyle changes which can make a big difference? If so, please join the 'St Matthew's Eco-Church' WhatsApp group. It's a way for members to share ideas and learn from one another; you'll also find out more about eco projects that are happening locally. Please see Jen Houghton (07792 242 710) for more details.

### **Can you give the Holy Family a bed for the night? -**

We are running a virtual Posada so Mary, Joseph and the Donkey travel around the parish each night of Advent. They 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 one as you pass them on to their next hosts. Or meet in person if you are both happy to! It's a great way to meet others from Church and reflect on the travels of Mary and Joseph during Advent. Visit the front page of the website for the link to sign up. Any questions please to Jen on 07792 242710.

**Foodbank-** Urgent items please: Fruit squash, Instant Mash, Rice, Washing up liquid and Washing machine tablets, plus shampoo, some toilet paper, shower gel, tooth brushes, shaving foam, and razors. Money donations at: <https://kingston.foodbank.org.uk/> Thank you.

**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](mailto:wallberry49@gmail.com) (Pl. note: the Holy Land pilgrimage planned for Feb next year will be put back to Feb/March 2023).

**5ps Collection for the Organ Fund**. - The model of St Matthew's Church Piggy Bank is once again available and can be found at the back of church after both services for donations for the Organ Fund. Thanks for your contributions – please keep them coming, every little helps.

### **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 1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto: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. 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021**. Interviews will be held early December.

**Website** [www.stmatthewskt6.org](http://www.stmatthewskt6.org) **email address:** [admin@stmatthewskt6.org](mailto: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 on 07889 753290)**

**You can contact Rev Helen Hancock on 020 8390 3829 or** [teamrector@stmatthewskt6.org](mailto:teamrector@stmatthewskt6.org)