



Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton

In the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry

29th January 2023

The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany Candlemas

Today's readings: 1 Timothy 2:1-7 & 1 Timothy 4: 6-10



Our morning services are all online on 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.

9.00am Holy Communion

10.45am Worship Together for all ages and stages

At the 9am service the choir will sing the anthem "My eyes for beauty pine" by Herbert Howells and the organ voluntary will be the "Choral Song" by Samuel Sebastian Wesley.

Collect

Lord Jesus Christ,
light of the nations and glory of Israel:
make your home among us,
and present us pure and holy
to your heavenly Father,
your God, and our God.
Amen

Give thanks for answered prayer and please pray for: THiS Team Ministry.

Gill Davies recuperating after her operation, Sarah Thomas. We are also asked to continue to pray for Christopher our Bishop and Martin, Bishop designate of Kingston - see prayer on page 3

Diary for the Week – more notices on the church website at www.stmatthewskt6.org

Monday	30th	10.00am	Brunch Bunch: Sitzler Room
Wednesday	1st	10-3pm	Balance Café: Sitzler Room. All welcome
Thursday	2nd	10.00am	Smarties Craft Group – Sitzler Room
<u>THiS Team Weekend on 4th/5th February at St Matthew's</u>			
Saturday	4th	2-4pm	Afternoon of boardgames, chat and refreshments
Sunday	5th	10.00am	This Team All -Age Holy Communion service

THiS Team Weekend on 4/5 February –

There are a few ways to get involved in our THiS Team Weekend on 4/5 Feb. Instead of a Team Walk, on Saturday 4 February come along to St Matthew's between 2-4pm to enjoy an afternoon of board games, chat and refreshments.

Finally, come to the service itself at 10am next Sunday - no services at either St Paul's or St George's on that Sunday. Everyone is invited to everything!

New Parish Administrator - It is great to welcome Steve Blevins our new Parish Administrator who is working a hand over week with Julie this coming week, as it is sad to bid Julie farewell - but only from her role as Administrator. The Office will continue to be open Mon, Tues and Thurs 9am - 1pm. and then usual contact details.

Invitation to the Balance Café - Please come along and support our Balance Cafe every Wednesday 10am – 3pm. It's a great way to reach out to the community and enjoy some good food. Why not bring a friend or come along and talk to someone new?

Foodbank – **Food banks are continuing to give out more food than is being donated.** Kingston Foodbank say this is an emergency and these items are needed **urgently** please .
Tinned Meat, Long Life Milk, Coffee, Rice, Pasta Sauce, Squash, Instant Mash, Tinned Vegetables
Pot Noodles, Oils, Ketchup and Mayonnaise, Sanitary Towels, Toilet Paper, Washing Up Liquid
Household Cleaning Products, Washing Machine Tablets, Shaving Foam, Men's Deodorant,
2 in1 Shampoo and Conditioner. Tinned Potatoes, Crisps and Treats, Tinned Tomatoes, Deodorants,
Shampoo and Conditioner, Toothpaste. Toothbrushes, Biscuits, Jam. **Thank you all for your continued generosity and support.** Money donations at: <https://kingston.foodbank.org.uk/>
KCAH - To donate please visit: <https://www.kcah.org.uk/can-you-help-us/donate-money/>

Warm Hubs- **The cornerHOUSE** is operating a “Warm Hub “at the cornerHOUSE from **8.30am to 12.30pm** every Monday and Friday until the end of March. The Hub will be a place where people can come, be warm, have a hot drink and company, etc. Volunteer support for all or part of a session is required please. If you are interested in helping with the Warm Hub please contact Jeremy__thorn@hotmail.com.

Also, **Surbiton High School** is running a ‘Warm Hub’ through midwinter. *Where:* a gazebo outside Surbiton Girls’ Prep, 95-97 Surbiton Rd, Kingston upon Thames KT1 2HW (Surbiton Road entrance only), *When:* **Thursdays 3.30-5.00pm**, *What:* Hot drinks, soup & bread, warm conversation.
Duration: Dec-Feb at least. The warm hub is outdoors, but it will provide hot soup, chairs & tables for conversation, blankets & lighting. They hope this may be of use to some of our community.

Do you know of anyone in Surbiton who would like a calm, medical professional, Christian lodger? If so please speak to Helen.



Ecotips - Not too late for resolutions? Take up a craft or take time to mend torn clothes or broken appliances. You may find something rewarding in more than just financial ways.

The Children's Society – if you are an owner of a Society collection box, I would be grateful to receive your box **today** please. I attend the 9.00am service but can be found at the back of church before the 10.45 service. Thank you.

Paul Mackie 8224 1296

Amazon Smile- Just to let you know that next month Amazon Smile is being closed so you will not be able to donate to the church when making purchases on Amazon. Thank you to all those who have contributed to the church in this way over the years.

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Prayer for Christopher our Bishop and Martin Bishop designate of Kingston

Martin Gainsborough will be consecrated Bishop next Thursday, 2nd February at Canterbury Cathedral. Please continue to pray for Martin during this week, using the prayer below.

“Heavenly Father, our Shepherd and Guide

We thank you for the appointment of your servant, Martin Gainsborough, as bishop designate of Kingston.

May your Holy Spirit give him your gifts of wisdom and strength, gentleness and compassion,

as he prepares to take up his role as our pastor and teacher.

May he be a shepherd after your own heart,

who will love you, walk with Jesus and be filled with the Spirit.

May he be a leader of vision and a teacher of your truth,

Christ centred and outward focussed.

As Bishop designate Martin gets ready to make his home among us,

may we welcome him joyfully into our Diocesan community,

and together bear witness to Christ

and the building up of your kingdom.

We ask this through your Son Jesus Christ,

Amen”

*The Venerable Simon Gates
Archdeacon of Lambeth*

*The Venerable John Kiddle
Archdeacon of Wandsworth*

5p's Collection for the Organ Fund. - The model of St Matthew's Church piggy bank can be found at the back of church after both services for donations towards future maintenance of the organ. Thanks for your contributions – please keep them coming, every little helps.

St. Matthew's Motto Verse for 2023

For the Spirit that God has given us

does not make us timid:

Instead, his Spirit

fills us with power, love, and self-control.

2 Timothy 1.7