



# Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton

In the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry

## 9 April 2023

### Easter Sunday

Today's reading John 20:1-18



**Our morning services are all online on our YouTube Channel 'St Matthew's Church Surbiton'**  
*Please note that all our services are live streamed and your image may be visible on the stream. By attending onsite you are presumed to have consented to the terms of our Location Warning Notice which can be found in church or on our website.*

**6.00am Early morning Service with Holy Communion and re-committal of Baptism Vows, followed by breakfast in the Sitzler Room**

**10.00am Live-streamed All-Age Holy Communion Service followed by an Easter Egg hunt**

Alleluia. Christ is Risen  
**He is Risen Indeed. Alleluia.**

### Collect

God of glory,  
by the raising of your Son  
you have broken the chains of death and hell:  
fill your Church with faith and hope  
for a new day has dawned  
and the way to life stands open  
in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen



### **Give thanks for answered prayer and please pray for:**

THiS Team Ministry. Gill Davies and Miles Stuart-William. Doris Lelliott and family who are mourning the loss of two close family members in the past week.

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

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| <b>Wednesday 12th</b> | <b>10-3pm</b>      | <b>Balance Community Café: Sitzler Room. All welcome</b>                         |
|                       | <b>10.00am</b>     | <b>Bereavement Walking Group</b>   |
|                       | <b>1.30-2.30pm</b> | <b>Dementia Friends Information Session at Balance Community Café see notice</b> |
| <b>Thursday 13th</b>  | <b>10.00am</b>     | <b>Smarties Craft Group</b>  |
| <b>Sunday 16th</b>    | <b>9.00am</b>      | <b>Contemplative Morning Prayer Service.</b>                                     |
|                       | <b>10.45am</b>     | <b>Worship Together with Holy Communion</b>                                      |

Our **Hope Explored** course starts the week after next. Everyone is encouraged to come along to share in the course as we explore the resurrection of Jesus in Luke's Gospel. We are running three parallel sessions: **(1) on Zoom on Tuesday nights (starting 18 April at 8pm), (2) in person at St Paul's from Wednesday 19 April at 2pm and (3) on Thursday nights at 8pm in person at St. Matthew's Church (from 20 April) - all just for three weeks. Sign-up asap!**

Following our PCC advert last week we are still looking for a new member to be voted on at our APCM on Sunday 30 April. All PCC members are expected to be regular worshippers at St Matthew's (which is often defined as attending about twice a month), be taking an active role in church life (on a rota or two!) and must be on the Electoral Roll. If you are interested, please do speak with Helen or a Warden.

Would you like to be a table host for our **Chatty Cafe Scheme at the Balance Cafe?** You would be part of a team to encourage conversation for just an hour on **Wednesday afternoons 1.30-2.30pm** and would need to commit to be available just once a month. Support will be given. Please speak to Mark Curzon, Helen or see the advert at the back of church.

Also, join Megan from Alzheimier's UK at the Balance Community Café on **Wednesday 12th April 1.30pm - 2.30pm** for a fun and interactive **Dementia Friends information session**. We will learn about dementia, do some myth busting and put ourselves in the shoes of a person living with dementia. There will be lots of time to ask questions and after the session you will join over 3 million Dementia Friends in UK and be able to wear your badge with pride. Make a difference and volunteer with our team at the Balance Community Cafe! We are members of The Chatty Cafe Scheme, helping to reduce loneliness and feelings of isolation. You can volunteer at the Balance Community Cafe as a 'Chatter and Natter' Table Host. Come and have a chat with Nicola from Balance before or after the session.

**Concert at St Matthew's** – There will be a concert at the church on **Sunday 23rd April at 4.30pm**, by Trio Lavolta (violin, cello and piano) - more details to follow. Refreshments will be available afterwards.

**Revision of Electoral Roll** – We are updating the Church Electoral Roll in preparation for the APCM on **Sunday 30 April**. If you are not already on the Roll and would like to be, please complete a form at the back of the church and post in the box provided. If you have done this within the last five years you are already on the Roll. If you aren't sure, please speak to Judith Jones on 8390 4975 or between the 9.00 & 10.45 services.

**Coronation of King Charles III** -the church will be open so anyone who wants to come in and watch the Coronation all together on **Saturday 6 May** can share the event on our screens. There will also be another Street Party with St Matthew's Residents' Association on **Sunday 7 May**. If anyone could help do a little towards organising either of these events please let Helen, Dave or Jackie know asap.

**We are in the middle of a climate catastrophe**, yet the UK government is going against scientific advice and international commitments by licensing a whole new round of exploration for oil, gas and coal. Supporters from many other Christian organisations will meet to pray, call on the UK government to invest in climate solutions, and declare that we have no faith in fossil fuels.

**Join A Rocha UK for 'The Big One' on Friday 21st April from 11.15am, at St John's Church, Waterloo.**

<https://christianclimateaction.org/2022/10/22/the-big-one/>. Perhaps we can go together -book HERE <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/no-faith-in-fossil-fuels-service-and-pilgrimage-to-parliament-tickets-594570324847> Pl. let someone know in the Eco Team you are going (Joan, Sheena, Brenda, Jason, Chika and Helen).

**THiS Men's Breakfast** – the first Team Men's Breakfast is on **29th April at St Paul's Parish Hall, 8.15-9.30am**. If anyone is interested or has further questions please contact Mark Curzon directly at Email: [markcurzon@icloud.com](mailto:markcurzon@icloud.com) or Tel: 07919 934946.



**Eco Tips-** Celebrate spring! Spend time on your balcony, in the garden, in local green spaces.

Enjoy and identify spring flowers and other wildlife, and thank God for them.

**Foodbank** –Kingston Foodbank say this is still 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.

**Thanks for your continued 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/>

**Website:** [www.stmatthewskt6.org](http://www.stmatthewskt6.org)

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**Parish Office no. 020 8390 5121. Our Parish Administrator, Steve Blevins is working the usual hours Mon, Tues and Thurs 9am -1pm. You can contact Rev Helen Hancock on 020 8390 3829 or [teamrector@stmatthewskt6.org](mailto:teamrector@stmatthewskt6.org)**

**The Bereavement Journey** will begin on **Tuesday 18 April 2pm-4.30pm** for six weeks. The course is for anyone who has been bereaved in any way and at any time and is suitable for those of any faith or none. For more information speak to Susan Kang (07745 795395).

**Quiz Night in Support of Christian Aid** - **Friday 12 May** at 7-10pm in Kingston United Reformed Church, Eden Street. £10 per person – pay on night ( includes light supper) Paying Bar available. Cash Raffle

***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**