



Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton

In the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry

20th February 2022

The Second Sunday before Lent

Sermon Series on 2022 Motto Verse

Week 2 "Be patient in suffering"

Readings: Romans 8:18-27 and Matthew 16:21-28



All our morning services are now onsite and online

9.00am Morning Prayer

10.45am Holy Communion

You are requested to wear a face mask while moving around and while singing.

*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.

Collect

Almighty God,
give us reverence for all creation
and respect for every person,
that we may mirror your likeness
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Give thanks for answered prayer: and please pray for: For Julia Bowden, Stephen Perry, John Symons, Sarah Rowe and family, Carol Cameron and family, THiS Team Ministry.

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

Wednesday	23rd	10-2pm	Balance Café: Sitzler Room. All welcome
		10.30- 11.30am	Bereavement Café : Chapel - see notice
Thursday	24th	10.00am	Smarties
		6.30pm	Choir Practice
Sunday next before Lent	27th	9.00am	Holy Communion
		10.45am	Morning Worship for all ages and stages followed by
		12 noon	'The True Cost' Film - see notice

Sunday 27 February - lunch and film - As part of our eco-Church initiative, we will be screening 'The True Cost', a film exploring the social and environmental impact of the clothing industry which affects us all. Why not bring your lunch to eat while you watch and then for those who wish to stay there will be a short discussion about the issues raised. **Screening will begin at 12 noon.** No need to book, please see Jen Houghton (jen.houghton@hotmail.com) for more info.



Eco tip – Visit www.ethicalconsumer.org to find out how ethical the companies you use are and to seek alternatives.

Booking now open for our AwayWeekend 6 -8 May – pick up a form and don't delay!

For their usual Lent Study course this year.

Churches Together in Surbiton are offering a four-week Lent meditation course with

meditations inspired by the tradition of St Ignatius and based on the stories of Jesus. The sessions will direct you in time and thought through the events of Holy Week. Each of the sessions offers something on its own, so everyone is free to join any of the sessions offered. There is no need to book in advance. All sessions will take place on Zoom: Thursdays, 7.30 pm **March 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th**. Zoom details: Taketime for Lent Meeting ID: 981 3274 7244 Passcode: 611642 - Look forward to seeing you there! Why not link up with others to do this together?

FOSMPS Community Litter Pick - As an Eco Church we are looking to support St Matthew's School's Community Litter Pick on **Saturday 12 March from 2-4pm**. You are asked to bring gloves, a rubbish bag and litter pickers (if available). The focus will be on the area around the school as well as Alexandra Park and Fishponds Park. We will gather in Fishponds Park around 3.45pm for a well-deserved break and a group photo. Any questions please speak to Jen Houghton.

African Vision Malawi Curry and Quiz Night on **March 5th at Long Ditton Village Hall at 6:30pm**. Homemade curries (meat, veggie and vegan), bar, raffle and a lot of fun! For tickets and more details, see Heather or Nigel Palmer at church or call on 07798 695287. More details of this and their special appeal on the online Notice Sheet. You may have ready, to give away, just what they need so please do check it out!

We are planning to run **The Bereavement Journey** once again starting **April 19th** every Tuesday morning (10.30-1pm) for six weeks ending on May 24th. The course is intended to help those who have been bereaved whether recently or for many years and gives people the support and the chance to process the varied reactions and feelings they are experiencing in a safe environment. It is open to Christians and to those of other faiths or no faith. As part of being a Bereavement Friendly Church please consider whether you know of anyone who may benefit from being invited or if you might find it helpful yourself. Also if you have any networks through which we could advertise the course please contact Susan Kang on 07745 795395 or email susan.kang10@gmail.com To book a place or find more contact Susan.

Booking continues until April 4th.

A Bereavement Café offers the chance to meet with others who understand the experience of loss. It is the space to talk about the pain of bereavement and find mutual support and encouragement. As an experiment and taking advantage of the Balance Café, we will be introducing a Bereavement Café every fourth Wednesday of the month, beginning **February 23rd 10.30am- 11.30am** in the chapel, meeting in Balance Café from 10am. Pl. contact Susan Kang on 07745 795395 or email susan.kang10@gmail.com

Mission Without Borders Pilgrims' Way Walk -13-14th May, 2022 – For more information, please see the poster at back of church or page 3 of this notice sheet on our website.

Foodbank - Urgent items please: Instant Mash and pot noodles, jam, winter puddings, male and female deodorant and body cream. Money donations at: <https://kingston.foodbank.org.uk/>

KCAH - We are currently taking donations of men's (new) underwear and jogging bottoms please.

Website: www.stmatthewskt6.org **email address:** admin@stmatthewskt6.org

Parish Office 020 8390 5121 (but Julie is working in part from home).

You can contact Rev Helen Hancock on 020 8390 3829 or teamrector@stmatthewskt6.org

Motto Verse for 2022:

Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer

Romans 12. 12

African Vision Malawi announce their **Quiz Night** on **March 5th at Long Ditton Village Hall** starting at **6:30pm**. Tickets are £15 each or £16.76 if booked through

Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/curry-quiz-night-tickets-259771301957> There will be tables of 6 and to spice the evening up, some homemade curries (meat, veggie and vegan), bar, raffle and a lot of fun! You will be already warmed up by the church quiz if you went to that! If you are on your own we shall put you with a team. If you would like a ticket, please see Heather or Nigel Palmer (on the piano) at church or call on 07798 695287.

African Vision Malawi would like to put an appeal out for certain items we need in Malawi, which will go on our container in the next couple of weeks. If you have any of these please contact Heather 07798 695287 or Nigel Palmer at church, or deliver to 31 Upper Brighton Road, Surbiton, KT6 6QX. Items in need are: waterproof jackets/trousers, wellington boots, walking boots, amplifier, projector, soaps, cleaned pc and phones in working order, trainers of all sizes, sports bibs, clean girls pants (size 10-12), microfibre cloths, old umbrella fabric, drawstring bags, filing cabinets, lockable safe, educational toys (without batteries), large flasks and cushions! All to help our programmes in Malawi. Thank you in advance.

Mission Without Borders Pilgrims' Way Walk

In 2022, why don't you lace up your walking boots and take on the challenge of a walk along the Pilgrim's Way. It is in aid of Mission Without Borders. Invite family and friends to join other MWB supporters on the **13-14th May, 2022**, as we walk part of the Pilgrim's Way in Kent.

JOIN US- We would love people to join us on this Walk and help raise vital funds for our work in Eastern Europe. We are asking people to raise minimum sponsorship of £279 per person. For individuals who may only be able to join us on the morning of the 14th we would ask that they raise minimum sponsorship of £149. To find out more about this event or to register please go to our website www.mwbuk.org, email j.chamberlain@mwbuk.org or telephone MWB on 020 7940 1370. We would like to register all walkers coming on the 14th May by the end of March 2022.

WALK DIFFICULTY – moderate with some hill ascents.

Second hand Beko Fridge Freezer

If anyone would be interested, or knows of anyone who would be interested in a, hardly used, Beko Fridge-Freezer, which is now too large for the elderly owner's needs, please contact me on tel. 020 8399 2549 or email jakerman28@btinternet.com.

The fridge freezer is silver grey and the dimensions are 192cm H, x 70cm W x 72cm D.

There is no charge but collection only.

Jeff Akerman