



Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton

In the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry

16 April 2023

Second Sunday after Easter

Today's reading John 20:19-29 & Acts 2:14a,22-32



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 on site you are presumed to have consented to the terms of our Location Warning Notice which can be found in church or on our website.

9.00am Contemplative Morning Prayer Service

10.45am Worship together with Holy Communion

The organ voluntary at the 9am service will be a chorale prelude on the Easter hymn 'Christ lag in Todesbanden' (Christ lay in the bonds of death) by Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau.

Collect

Risen Christ,

for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:

open the doors of our hearts,:

that we may seek the good of others

and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,

to the praise of God the Father. 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.

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

Monday	17th	10.00am	Brunch Bunch Study Group: Sitzler Room
		11.00am	Holy Communion for the residents of Milverton Care Home
		4.00pm	Holy Communion for the residents of the Royal Star & Garter
Tuesday	18th	2-4.30pm	Bereavement Journey Course (Week 1) : Chapel
		8.00pm	"Hope Explored" on Zoom (week 1) see notice
Wednesday	19th	10-3pm	Balance Community Café with Chatty Café from 1.30-2,30pm: Sitzler Room. All welcome - see notice
		2.00pm	"Hope Explored" in person at St Paul's Hook- see notice
Thursday	20th	10.00am	Smarties Craft Group
		8.00pm	"Hope Explored" in person at St Matthew's - see notice
Friday	21st	11.15am	"The Big One" rally at St John's Church, Waterloo- see notice
Sunday	23rd	9.00am	Holy Communion
		10.45am	Worship Together for all ages and stages
		3.00pm	St. George's Day Service for 1st St Matthew's Scouts
		4.30pm	Concert by Trio Lavolta (violin, cello and piano). see notice

Our **Hope Explored** course starts this week. 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), Zoom call details for the Hope Explored course as MEETING ID: 521 380 444 -PASSWORD:

public <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/521380444?pwd=dEFTdGYwSzBUaDF1NmNuN20xZjlnUT09>

(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 today!

Following our PCC advert 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.

The Bereavement Journey Course is starting this week and please hold this in your prayers.

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) - Refreshments will be available afterwards.

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.

Coronation Weekend ..May 6th/7th - The Flower Team would love the children to put a few flowers in a jam jar/equivalent container and bring them to church on the Saturday or Sunday ..especially good if they could decorate the jar in Red, White and Blue!

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' next 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 or Tel: 07919 934946.



Eco Tips- Clean bird feeders regularly to avoid spread of diseases. Remember too that nest boxes, even if empty, can be refuges in times of storm or cold weather.

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/>

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.

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