

Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton

In the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry

26th January 2020 Third Sunday of Epiphany

The a,e i and o of Paul's letters



9.15 am Holy Communion

Galatians 2. 15-21 (page 1169)

Matthew 22. 34 -40 (page 991)

Hymns MP 574, 673, Brother, sister (sheet),708.

11am All Age Worship

Reading Galatians 2. 15-21

Hymns MP Bless the Lord O my soul,

I love you Jesus, Reckless love, 755.

Collect

Readings

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed; anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord. Amen

Diary for the two weeks beginning 26 January and 2 February more notices are on our NEW CHURCH WEBSITE. Check it out at www.stmatthewskt6.org.

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Monday	27	9.45am	Brunch Bunch
		8.00pm	Inspire House Group
Tuesday	28	10.30am	Funeral Service for Melda Hyde at Kingston Crematorium followed
		at 11.30am	by a service of Celebration for Melda's life - in St Matthew's
Wednesday	29	10.00am	Launch of J. John -Just One – see notice
		8.00pm	Beta House Group
Thursday	30	10.00am	Smarties Embroidery Group
		8.00pm	Delta & Sigma House Groups
Friday	31	8.00-9.00pm	Choir Practice at St Andrews Church for Sunday Evensong
Saturday	1	9.45am	Winter Team Walk – see notice for details

Sunday 2nd February Fourth Sunday of Epiphany 10.30am This Team Joint Service at St Paul's, Hook,

followed by refreshments and a short Communion Service. Everyone welcome. - see notice
NO SERVICES AT ST MATTHEW'S TODAY

Sunday	2	3.30pm	Service for the residents of the Royal Star & Garter
Monday	3	9.45am	Brunch Bunch
		7.45pm	Pastoral Team Meeting: Vicarage
		8.00pm	Inspire House Group
Tuesday	4	8.00pm	Ruby House Group
Wednesday	5	8.00pm	Beta House Group
Thursday	6	10.00am	Smarties Embroidery Group
		10.15am	Project Team Meeting
		7.00pm	Choir Practice
		8.00pm	Delta & Sigma House Groups
		10.00am	St Matthew's Mum's Group Meeting- Creche
Friday	7	12.30pm	Soup lunch – Church - see notice
Sunday	9		Fifth Sunday of Epiphany
		9.15am	Holy Communion
		11.00 am	All Age Worship

Let us worship God In order to help everyone, prepare for worship and for a trial period, the organ will stop playing a couple of minutes before the start of the 9.15am service to keep a time of silence. Please try to be in the pew by then and use the time of quiet to settle, reflect and pray as we come before God to worship him.

At the 9.15am service the **choir will sing the anthem** 'From all that dwell below the skies' by Simon Hancock, and the organ voluntary postlude is 'Voluntary in G' by William Boyce (1710-1779).

<u>Sermon Series</u> - For the next few weeks our sermon series is looking at four of St Paul's letters helped by resources from TheBibleProject.com. The series is called 'the a, e, i, o of St Paul's letters'. No marks for guessing which ones we'll be studying!

Give thanks for answered prayer: and please pray for:

Reverends Helen Hancock, Luke Wickings, David Nyirongo, Carolyn Lucas & their families. The THiS Team, Michael Kennett, Miles Stuart-William, Sally Hall.

<u>Melda Hyde's Funeral</u> -The Funeral Service for Melda will at 10.30am on Tuesday 28th January at Kingston Crematorium followed by a Service of Celebration for Melda's life at 11.30am at St Matthew's Church. Everyone is welcome to attend either or both services and for refreshments afterwards. Please continue to pray for Duncan, Julia, the grandchildren, family and friends at this time.

THIS Team Joint All Age Service at St Paul's, Hook on 2 February at 10.30am-

Next week everyone is invited to join with the congregations of St Paul's and St George's for our Annual Team Celebration Service, followed by refreshments and a short said Holy Communion Service.

Please Note: There are <u>NO services</u> at St Matthew's on that day.

CTS - Lent Study Course 2020

J. John (the internationally famous evangelist and Canon in the Church of England) is coming to speak at the Rose Theatre on 28th June. To help prepare for this CTS event and to equip us to invite others to come along, we shall be studying **'The Natural Evangelism Course'** written by J. John as our Lent Study Course.

We are looking for hosts/group leaders. Ideally we need a variety of venues and sessions (morning, afternoon or evening) to which everyone is welcome, running from week beginning **2**nd **March 2020**. Please let Helen know, as soon as possible, if you are willing to host a session which can be included in our Lent Course Programme. A Programme will follow once compiled.

Group leaders are invited to attend the launch morning on **Wednesday 29th January** at Christ Church, 10am -12pm. Please let Katie MacAuslan, Administrator at Surbiton Hill Methodist Church, know if you can attend on Tel: 020 8390 4598 or email shmc.office@kingstoncircuit.org.uk

<u>The Children's Society</u> - If you are the owner of a Society collection box I would be very grateful if you could bring your (hopefully full) box along to St. Matthew's Church over the next few Sunday's. I attend the 9.15am service but can be found at the back of church before the 11 o'clock service.

I should like to have them all by Sunday 9^{th} February, if possible, please.

Thank you. Paul Mackie 8224 1296.

Help please!- From about **6th February** we would like to get the Sitzler Room and kitchen redecorated before a new floor is laid in both. If anyone is able to help with this please could they let the Wardens know?. Also, if anyone has a spare electric cooker which they don't need it would be good to replace the one in the kitchen at this time.

Winter Team Walk on Saturday 1st February 2020 around Reigate Heath with a visit to the Windmill church. We'll meet; weather permitting, at 9:45 sharp at The Pheasant at Buckland on the A25 between Dorking and Reigate. PLEASE NOTE JOURNEY TIME CAN BE 40 MINUTES WITH TRAFFIC. From the Pheasant car park we'll walk a circular 3 mile path around Reigate Heath and visit the Reigate Heath Windmill church. We should arrive back at the car park around 12:00. For more details go to the Church Website or the notice board at back of church, or contact Dave on

Soup Lunch - Our next Soup Lunch is on **Friday 7**th **February at 12.30pm in the Church**.

Our speaker this month is Tim Wood CEO of "Through the Roof", a registered charity that exists to "Transform lives through Jesus with disabled people" and he will be talking to us about one of their mission projects "Wheels for the World". Everyone is welcome to come and join us.

Foodbank Focus .. February 2020

07540 702 400. Dave and Jackie Farris.

Tinned spaghetti in tomato sauce, tinned meat and rice pudding or instant custard please. Thanks for all your January donations.

KCAH – Items needed please - New socks, New men's underwear, Gloves, Coats (parka/anorak style, waterproof, preferably with a hood), Waterproof trousers, Gift vouchers for coffee shops and supermarkets. (we are currently not in need of any more hats and scarves). Please place them in the box provided at the back of church. *KCAH say a "big thank you" for the donations over Christmas and were overwhelmed by the support given*. Thank you.

KCAH Sleeping bag Appeal. As our Night Shelter, where we use sleeping bags, is filling up and temperatures drop, we are in need of a lot more sleeping bags. (Must be in good condition and in its sleeve/bag). If you are able to donate a sleeping bag, please leave it at the back of church or drop it at our friends at Banquet Records or 7000 Jars of Beer in Kingston. See poster on notice board. Thank you for your help and support, as always. Kind regards, Camilla and the KCAH-team

KCAH- Night Shelter Volunteers Needed

Our Winter Night Shelter is now open and we hope to be open every night throughout the winter to offer shelter, warmth and community to those in our Borough sleeping rough. To be able to run the shelter, we need lots more volunteers. To be able to run just one night, we need 19 people over four shifts (7.30pm-11.00pm, 11pm-2am, 2am-6am or 6am-8am). If you are at all able to give of your time, even just once, we would love to hear from you. Please email winternightshelter@kcah.org.uk or call 0208 255 7400 and ask for Sophie. You can also sign up for a 2 hour volunteer training session here.

Weekday restricted access to church.- There will be no access through the main church doors on weekdays. If you need to get in during that time, please speak, in advance, to Helen or Simon.

Faculty Application- The inquisitive amongst you will have seen we are applying for a Faculty, which allows us to do work on the building. This is so that work can be done on the Parish Office steps to repair them and install a handrail. It will hopefully be done at the end of the Tower and Spire Project while the contractors are still on site. If you have any questions, ask a PCC member.

AwayWeekend 2020- After the success of the AwayDay last weekend the Discipleship Team is excited to announce that the **2020 residential AwayWeekend** will be held on **16 - 18 October 2020** once again at the De Vere Horsley Hotel. More details to follow but please put the dates in your diaries now so you are free to come along.

5ps Collection for the Organ Fund. — The model of St Matthew's Church piggy bank which can be found at the back of church is for your odd 5p's to help support the fund. Thanks for your contributions.

Raise money for St Matthew's at zero cost to you! -

St Matthew's PCC is now registered with 'Give As You Live', an online fundraising platform which allows users to shop at over 4,300 online stores and raise free funds for the Church. Register at www.giveasyoulive.com, search for 'St Matthew's PCC, Surbiton' and you can raise 1-10% of whatever you spend online for the Church at no cost to you. You can install a 'donation reminder' on your computer or smart phone so that you are asked if you would like to raise money when visiting a website. This initiative could be worth thousands of pounds a year to us, especially if Church members use it when booking holidays, taking out insurance or doing their Christmas shopping. Please speak to Jen Houghton or Julie Usher if you would like to know more.

For more information about our church and events visit our website at www.stmatthewskt6.org - email address: admin@stmatthewskt6.org
Facebook StMatthewsChurchSurbiton www.stmatthewskt6.org
Parish Office is open 9 -12.30pm Mon, Tues & Thurs.(TERM TIME ONLY) Tel.no. 020 8390 5121.

Motto Verse 2020
Out of reverence for the Lord, I acted differently.

Based on Nehemiah 5.15