

Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton

# 28th March 2021 Palm Sunday



# 9.30am '20MinutestoPraiseGod' online only 10.45am Service of Holy Communion onsite and online

If you are attending a service in church, social distancing must be observed and a face covering worn. Your details will be taken for track and trace. <u>Please do not attend in person if you any symptoms of the virus</u>.

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# <u>Collect</u>

True and humble King, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way to the cross, which is the path to glory. Amen

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

Reverends Helen Hancock, Luke Wickings, David Nyirongo, Carolyn Lucas & their families, Jen Houghton and family, and THiS Team, for Paul Atkins, Miles Stuart- William and Ian Vinton.

**<u>Returning to Church</u>** – We are going to trial swapping our services around so our new services will be at 9.30am (with children's provision) and the more traditional service at 10.45am. From Sunday 18 April we hope to have children's groups in the 9.30am service, although they will still be operating in combined groups for the time being - Scramblers with Climbers and Explorers with Pathfinders. For the next couple of weeks:

	8am	9.30am	10.45am
Easter Sunday 4 April **	Holy Communion service onsite only	30ishMinutestoPraiseGod onsite - in church - and online including Holy Communion	Holy Communion service onsite and online
Sunday 11 April		Short Family Service onsite and online	Holy Communion service onsite and online

**\*\* Easter Sunday** –You are asked please to sign up for the service you would like to attend so we can avoid overcrowding at any one service

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0b48a4ae2fa1ff2-easter

Alternatively, if you are not online, you can leave a message on the Parish Office number or with Helen to book a place(s). If one service is oversubscribed we may have to ask you to come to another one, so book early to avoid disappointment!

### Maundy Thursday – Zoom Holy Communion Service at 8pm

**Good Friday** – church open from 11am – 3pm for private prayer with Passion music playing 11.15am – 2pm and one hour of silence 2-3pm.

#### Zoom Away Morning – Easter Eve - Saturday 3 April

You're invited to 'Stop, Look, Listen' - a morning of reflection, 9.30 – 11am – please register with Parish Office for details.

This year we will not be having any **Easter roses** in memory of loved ones. However we hope that will be back next year. Also, whilst still having fresh flowers as the norm, we are intending to buy a significant artificial floral display for use at weddings and on other appropriate occasions. An effective looking one will not be cheap so if you would have usually contributed to the flower fund over the last year but haven't, then please do consider making a contribution through online banking.

### Our APCM will be on Sunday 25 April as part of our 10.45am service, starting

**at 11am.** Our electoral roll is open for revision so if you would like to take an official step to identify yourself with St Matthew's by joining the Roll please find one here <a href="https://www.stmatthewskt6.org/Publisher/File.aspx?ID=280993">https://www.stmatthewskt6.org/Publisher/File.aspx?ID=280993</a> YOU only need to do something if you are new-ish and want to join otherwise it rolls over from last year. If you want to know more about this, do get in touch with Judith Jones via the Parish Office. Also, if you are interested in becoming a churchwarden or a PCC member please get in touch with Helen asap.

**David Nyirongo's** last Sunday at St George's will be **25 April**. The PCC are planning a gift from St Matthew's. If you would like to make a personal donation to be included in that gift please get in touch with our Treasurer, Tim Lucas on <u>timlucas@blueyonder.co.uk</u>

We are planning a **<u>Gift Day</u>** for **<u>Sunday 9 May</u>** – more details to follow soon.

For more information about our church and events visit our website atwww.stmatthewskt6.orgemail address: admin@stmatthewskt6.orgFacebook 'StMatthewsChurchSurbiton' Julie is currently working from home.If you need to contact her you can try her on 07889 753290 or leave a message.The Parish Office is closed until further notice but messages will be picked up occasionally.Parish Office 020 8390 5121Rev Helen Hancock 020 8390 3829