



St Andrew & St Mark Surbiton

Sunday 28th February 2021
The Second Sunday of Lent

*Our services are now all online, with no in person attendance.
Please join us for our livestreamed services on Zoom or Facebook Live*

To join our services on Zoom please see the weekly parish newsletter.

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8am BCP Communion online only via Facebook Live.

9.15am Family Worship online only via Zoom.

11am Parish Eucharist online only via Zoom or Facebook Live.

6pm Compline, online only via Facebook Live

Morning Prayer Tues (8:50am) Wed & Thurs (8:30am) join us live online at <https://www.facebook.com/SurbitonChurch/>

Compline is every Thursday evening at 9pm online on Zoom.

Our online 5-week Lent Course has begun but you can still join the second session this Tuesday 2nd March entitled 'Living in this strange land'. Join either the 10am or 8pm session via Zoom. More info on the parish website and in the weekly email.

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How can I get in touch?

Robert and Michael can be contacted via email or phone. Please use the details below.

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How can I stay in touch?

Parish website: www.surbitonchurch.org.uk
Parish Facebook: www.facebook.com/SurbitonChurch
Twitter: [@Surbiton_Church](https://twitter.com/Surbiton_Church)

To donate to church funds given the absence of a collection in our virtual services, if you have on-line banking, you can set up a regular or one-off payment using the following details: Payee: The PCC of St Andrew and St Mark, Surbiton. Sort code: 40-52-40. Account number: 00028530.

If you do not have access to on-line banking then you can send a cheque to the Parish Office payable to the 'PCC of St Andrew and St Mark, Surbiton'. You can also make a one-off donation or a regular donation on our website through the Donate button.

Please visit: <https://surbitonchurch.org.uk/about-us/giving/>

Collect

Let us pray.
Almighty God,
you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen

First Reading Reader

Genesis 17.1-7,15-16
Natalie Miller

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, 'I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.' Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, 'As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.'
God said to Abraham, 'As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.'

Second Reading Reader

Romans 4.13-end
Anne Miller

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.
For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham
(for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become 'the father of many nations', according to what was said, 'So numerous shall your descendants be.' He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.

Therefore his faith 'was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him', were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Gospel reading

Mark 8:31-end

Then Jesus began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he

rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.

For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

Address

Rev'd Robert Stanier

Intercessions

Charlie Bamford

Notices

Hymn

O Jesus I have promised

For your prayer:

*God of compassion,
be close to those who are ill, afraid or in isolation.
In their loneliness, be their consolation;
in their anxiety, be their hope;
in their darkness, be their light;
through him who suffered alone on the cross,
but reigns with you in glory,
Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Amen.

For prayer: Sadie Beesley Mary Rice Nancy Vlasto
John Fowler Rita Burrows Sue Paine Jean Webber
Michael Vaughan

Please prayer for our planet. This week why not pray for a local environmental issue such as protecting the local Seething Wells Filter beds or an international issue such as the G7 Summit in Cornwall in June 2021.

Please also use our monthly parish prayer calendar to pray each day, this can be found on our parish website. www.surbitonchurch.org.uk