

# THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST MARK, REIGATE

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**Until further notice there will be no Public Worship on  
Sundays held in church. All Sunday services will be on Zoom**

## **SUNDAY 24 JANUARY (EPIPHANY 3)**

10.00am      Worship on Zoom

## **THURSDAY 28 JANUARY**

12.45pm      Holy Communion (Iona)

## **SUNDAY 31 JANUARY (THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE)**

10.00am      Worship on Zoom

### **THE COLLECT FOR TODAY**

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

DIocese of Southwark



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## **The readings appointed for today**

### **THE FIRST READING**

### **Genesis 14:17 to 20**

After Abram's return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. He blessed him and said, 'Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!' And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

### **THE GOSPEL READING**

### **John 2:1 to 11**

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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### **INTERCESSIONS**

Please pray for those in particular need:  
Jean Hovey, Alison Stagg, Esther Lyons,  
Yvonne Powell, Jackie Whymms,  
Ruston Biggs

For those living in Heatherset Close

For St Peter & St Paul, Nutfield

For anniversaries falling at this time:

Leonard Paxton, Kaye Farrington,  
Alan Davison, Jack Hieatt,  
Tony Burnett, Mary (Bobbie) Coker,  
Stanley Hatton, Peter leSueur Draper,  
Gladys Whitelaw,  
Ian Kitteringham (Priest)

### **COFFEE MORNING**

This Wednesday, 27 January, there will again be a Coffee Morning on Zoom from 10.00am to 11.00am. Please join me if you can for some general chat and to meet up virtually with friends from St Mark's. The Zoom link will be emailed out on Tuesday so please look out for it.

*Fr Martin*

### **PARISH OFFICE**

Until further notice Alexia will only be in the office on Thursdays from 9.00am until 4.00pm.



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REGISTERED CHARITY No. 28091

## **CHRISTMAS APPEAL**

SMOAT has now launched it's 2020 Christmas Appeal. For those people who did not manage to see it, below you will find links to the presentation, to our website and to a Virgin Money Giving page.

This year we are supporting two projects. The first, a Chase Africa project will fund mobile outreach health clinics in Kakamega County in the west of Kenya where there is limited access to formal health facilities. In one day a clinic can reach around 2,000 people at a cost of £1,200. We would very much like to fund at least two of these clinics. The second project is from Afrinspire and is based on Lunga Island in Zambia, where only 30% of the population has access to safe water and less than 47% has access to basic sanitation. This project will support the building of shallow wells which will provide basic sanitation systems and clean water to a community which has already been ravaged by flooding. The cost of two wells is approximately £2,700 and we hope to be able to provide enough money to cover this cost, with any extra money raised going towards other sanitation improvements. Each well will provide clean water for up to 1.500 people.

We would very much like you to support these projects. The people in these two communities not only have to live without basic medical care or clean water and basic sanitation, but they are also facing the further anguish of COVID-19. By supporting us, you will enable us to provide thousands of people with a

healthy future and some fundamental care, which we take for granted. The links are as follows and please feel free to share them with friends and family as the more people you can reach, the more people we can help:

Full details are now on our website:  
<http://www.smoat.org.uk/appeal.html>

The YouTube Video of the presentation can be found at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K2oOng8imk0>

The Appeal is on VirginMoneyGiving at:  
<https://virginmoneygiving.com/fund/SMOAT2020>

Thank you in advance.

*Barbara Perkins  
Chairman*

## **CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER**

The church is open for Private Prayer every day from 9.00am until 5.00pm. There are some simple guidelines to follow to prevent coronavirus contamination, and to maintain as clean and safe an environment as possible. By following these guidelines as well as frequent cleansing of the open parts of the church, we can all use the building for prayer. At all times please keep a minimum of 2 metres from anyone not in your household.

*Fr Martin*

