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SUNDAY 6 APRIL 2025 (LENT 5 – Passion Sunday)

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) in Church
10.00am Sung Eucharist in Church and Online
4.00pm Family Service

WEDNESDAY 9 APRIL

9.00am Prayer meeting in the Lady Chapel

THURSDAY 10 APRIL

11.00am Lent Course in Church
12.45pm Holy Communion (Iona)
1.15pm Lent Lunch

SUNDAY 13 APRIL 2025 (LENT 5 – Palm Sunday)

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) in Church
10.00am Blessing of Palms in the Hall, Procession,
Sung Eucharist in Church and Online

THE COLLECT FOR TODAY

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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



CROYDON EPISCOPAL AREA

ARCHDEACONRY OF REIGATE

These are the readings appointed for today

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 43: 16 - 21

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honour me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

THE GOSPEL READING

John 12: 1 to 8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, 'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.'

INTERCESSIONS

Please pray for those in particular need:

Michael Biggs, Yvonne Powell,
Jacqueline McCallough, George Hook,
Lennox Hartman, Rosemary Absalom,
Jane-Ann Paul, Sonia Pearson,
Susan Hill-Smith.

For those living in Doods Place

For St Philip's, Reigate

For anniversaries falling at this time:

June McCallough, David John Baker,
Penelope Brookman, Bill Watson,
Michael deBurgh Thomas,
Alexandra Bailey.

LENT COURSE

We are using a new course on The Sacraments by Jane Williams on **Thursdays at 11.00am** during Lent. All welcome.

LENT LUNCHES

If you would like to attend the Lent Lunch it is on **Thursday 10 April** following the Iona Communion Service – please sign up on the list in Church or contact the Parish Office. This is to raise funds for the Bishop's appeal for projects in this diocese and in our link dioceses in Zimbabwe and Jerusalem.

EASTER CARD DISTRIBUTION

If you have signed up to deliver the Easter Cards detailing our Easter Services, they can now be collected from the front of the church. We would like them to be delivered by Tuesday 8 April so that people have them before the first service listed. If you would like a card for yourself, please take one.

NEW ELECTORAL ROLL

Notice is given that a **new** Church Electoral Roll will be created. Anyone who wishes to be on the Electoral Roll **MUST complete a new application** even if they are on the current Electoral Roll. No names will be automatically entered onto the new Roll. A completely new Roll is drawn up every 6 years.

To be eligible to be on the Roll, you must be at least 16 years old (or reach this age in the next 12 months), be baptised, be resident in the parish or have habitually worshipped at St Mark's for the past 6 months, and identify as a member of the Church of England or a church in communion with the Church of England.

Please complete the online form on the church website, or if this is not possible, paper forms are available. **The last date for forms to be accepted is THURSDAY 24 APRIL 2025.** The list of names will be available in Church from Sunday 27 April until the APCM on Sunday 11 May but no additions will be allowed at this time. The Roll will reopen for new applications **after** the APCM on 11 May.

Only those on the Roll will be able to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Sunday 11 May 2025.

*Terrence Hancock
Electoral Roll Officer*

APCM

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting, the "AGM" for the Church, will be on **Sunday 11 May** at the 10.00am Service. At this meeting, we will be electing:

2 Churchwardens

4 Deputy Wardens

2 Members of the PCC

Only those on the **NEW** Electoral Roll can stand, nominate others or vote in any election. Nomination Forms will be available in due course.

FOODBANK

Saint Matthew's Foodbank is still desperately short of donations. More and more people are turning to the Foodbanks for the first time, and yet the amount of donations has fallen.

If you are able to give anything at all, please leave your donation at the Vicarage. Please remember that no fresh food can be accepted and all tins and packets must be in date. More information can be found at:

<https://www.redhillfoodbank.org.uk/shop/ping-list>

EASTER GARDEN TIDY

We will be working in the church gardens on **Saturday 12 April**. If you can join us, even for an hour or so, it would be much appreciated. Please meet us any time from 10.00am.

Coffee or tea and cake will be supplied.

Patricia Bird, Elisabeth Davis

PARISH OFFICE

Please note the office will be closed on Tuesday and Wednesday 8/9 April.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

14 APRIL MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK

8.00pm Stations of the Cross and Compline

15 APRIL TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK

8.00pm Stations of the Cross and Compline

16 APRIL WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK

8.00pm Stations of the Cross and Compline

17 APRIL MAUNDY THURSDAY

8.00pm Eucharist, Liturgy and Watch

18 APRIL GOOD FRIDAY

10.00am Messy Church

1.30pm Liturgy of Good Friday

19 APRIL EASTER EVE

8.00pm Easter Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter

20 APRIL EASTER SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) in Church

10.00am Sung Eucharist in Church and Online

REGULAR GIVING TO ST MARK'S

If you are able to, please consider making a regular donation to St Mark's through the Parish Giving Scheme. This is the most effective way to donate as we receive 100% of your donation and Gift Aid is automatically claimed. Please follow the link below to sign up.

<https://www.paritygiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/reigate-st-mark-reigate/>

Please contact me if you need any more information. Many thanks.

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