

Invited by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Bishops from the **Church in the Province of the West Indies (CPWI)** visited Dioceses across England last week to mark the 75th anniversary of the arrival of the HMT Empire Windrush in the UK from the West Indies. **Led by the Archbishop of the West Indies, The Most Revd. Dr Howard Gregory**, the bishops participated in the national Service of Thanksgiving on Thursday 22nd June at Southwark Cathedral. The Service: **Remembering the Struggle, Celebrating the Contribution and Flourishing for the Future**, had worship, music, reflections, readings and prayers, all honouring the legacy of the Windrush generation. Archbishop Howard visited the **Diocese of Oxford**, spending time with members of the Windrush generation in Berkshire. He also preached at special services of thanksgiving at Christ Church Cathedral and St George's, Tilehurst; as well as meeting the Diocese of Oxford UKME Clergy Chapter. In the **Diocese of Manchester, The Rt. Revd. Charles Davidson, Bishop of Guyana** preached at Manchester Cathedral and also joined the Bishop of Manchester on a visit to Trinity CofE High School and Sixth Form; and met the Caribbean & African Health Network (CAHN) to find out more about the organisation's work to eradicate health disparities for Caribbean & African people. **In Birmingham, The Rt. Revd. Claude Berkley, Bishop of Trinidad and Tobago**, made a 4-day visit, hosted by the Bishop of Aston. Among other groups and organisations, he met the CofE Birmingham Racial Justice Board and visited parishes, as well as attended their Windrush75 anniversary events and services, including Evensong at Birmingham Cathedral at which he preached.

The Rt. Revd. Leon Golding, Bishop of Montego Bay in Jamaica visited the **Diocese of Chichester** hosted by the Bishop of Chichester. He preached at Chichester Cathedral and at St John's Evangelist Church, Brighton; visited three local schools where he took part in Windrush assemblies; and met with the Bishop of Dover, The Rt. Revd. Rose Hudson-Wilkin. Then, **the Bishop of Kingston Jamaica, The Rt. Revd. Garth Minott** visited the **Diocese of Portsmouth** and preached at Portsmouth Cathedral. He later met members of the local Caribbean community at St Mary's, Fratton.

Speaking on the Windrush75 anniversary, **the CofE's Racial Justice Director, Guy Hewitt** said: "It has been a moving experience of the entire Church to have the company of the bishops of the CPWI here in England for this key anniversary symbolising the advent of modern, diverse Britain. The Windrush generation came willingly to do the jobs that were crucial to building the prosperity of post-War Britain - all the while on low pay and enduring racism and discrimination. Despite their Anglican heritage and the huge contribution they were making, many were not welcomed by the CofE. Thankfully, the presence of the Caribbean bishops reflects the journey of reconciliation. As we commemorate the 75th anniversary, we are hopeful that the focus of the leadership of the Church on racial justice, and the efforts of the Archbishops' Commission for Racial Justice and the Committee for Minority Ethnic Anglican Concerns (CMEAC), among others, underpinned by God's amazing grace, will allow us to transform unjust structures and give true meaning to the Church's aims of more fully representing the communities we serve."

Welcome to the United Benefice of Holy Innocents & St. Mark, South Norwood

Sharing God's grace and love in our community



25th June 2023

Vicar: The Revd. Canon Roxanne F. Eversley
Asst. Priest: Mother Susan Wheeler-Kiley
Reader: Mrs. Cicelyn Hinds

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am BCP Mass (St. Mark)

10.00am Parish Mass (both Churches)

Jeremiah 20.7-13 * Psalm 69.8-20 * Romans 6.1-11 * Matthew 10.24-39

Access online worship via

www.youtube.com/c/StMarksSouthNorwood

CHURCH NOTICES

Pastoral Care: Mother Roxanne is available on Tel. 020 8916 1830 or 07723 038215 or mtrroxanne@gmail.com N/A on Mondays; Mother Susan is contactable on 07890 780572, N/A on Fridays.
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We pray: for Archbishops Justin and Stephen; for the Bishops in this diocese - Christopher, Karowei, Rosemarie and Martin.
 For the Bishops, priests, deacons and people in our link Dioceses of Zimbabwe; and The Church of Bangladesh.

Lavender Hill, The Ascension & Battersea, St Philip w St Bartholomew

Philip Kennedy (Vicar); Barbara Marcham and Ann Warwick (Southwark Pastoral Auxiliaries).
 Benedictine Oblates Regular of Christ the King OSB

For the sick – Richard, Jennifer & Reuben, Rose, Caroline, Susan, Pauline, Sigi, Marie-Gabrielle, Colin (Castle), Carmen, Rodney, Marina, Linda, Fred, Peter, Kay and Matthew Smith.

The bereaved; The recently departed; Years Mind.
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Saturday, 1st July, St Mark's Primary School, Albert Road, will be hosting a Car Boot Sale from 10am-1pm.
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Sunday, 2nd July, South Norwood Community Fair (SNCF) in the Recreation Park – as usual, St Mark's Church will be hosting a stall selling the usual goodies together with some new items this year. As usual, we **need volunteers** to set up and to clear up and also to donate cakes, items for raffle and other goodies to sell.
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The Samuel Coleridge Taylor inspired exhibition at Holy Innocents church continues on **Saturdays until 22nd July from 1-5pm.** (1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd July). In addition, the Church will be opened next **Sunday 2nd July from 1.30-5pm** while the SNCF is taking place in the Recreation Park.