

A prayer for those affected by violence and conflict

O God, whose Son Jesus Christ said unto his disciples 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give unto you' (*John 14:27a*) sow your peace in the hearts of all, and remove from them the spirit of hatred and violence, that people of every race and nation may learn to live together as members of one family and in obedience to your commandment, through the same your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A prayer for the peace of Jerusalem (*Ps. 122:6-9*)

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
'May they prosper who love you.
Peace be within your walls,
and security within your towers.'
For the sake of my relatives and friends
I will say, 'Peace be within you.'
For the sake of the house of the Lord our God,
I will seek your good.

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AFTER THE FLOOD - As part of Black History Month, the Church of England has provided a unique opportunity for its members, individually and collectively, to watch *After the Flood: The Church, Slavery and Reconciliation*. This 67-minute documentary shows how the 18th century Church became embroiled in chattel slavery. We discover how the Church justified its involvement in the trade and its lasting impact. In conclusion, it explores biblical principles for racial reconciliation in our churches today. Watch at

vimeo.com/churchofengland/bhm2023

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A course which may be of special interest to our 8am congregation:

Ground Floor Guide to the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)

The BCP is one of the foundational texts of the Church of England. Since the first edition of 1549, the Prayer Book has accompanied generations of faithful Anglicans (and others!) through births, marriages, deaths, and daily worship. It has shaped the English language as we know it, inspiring Shakespeare, George Herbert and Charlotte Brontë. It has been both a source of liturgical unity and political division. No other book, except for the Bible itself, is so woven into the fabric of our faith. Charlotte Gauthier, Assistant Director of Discipleship, will introduce the history, language and practical use of a book that continues to shape the lives of Christians around the world.

Monday 13 November, 7.30-8.30pm, Zoom, free

To book your place, email learning@southwark.anglican.org

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3rd December, directly after the 10am Advent Parish Mass, **Christmas Fayre, in St Mark's Church Hall** – please start to gather your donations towards this well-needed Fundraiser – please be reminded that we need help to set up beforehand and to pack away too.

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

Sharing God's grace and love in our community



15th October 2023

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

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am BCP Mass (St. Mark)

10.00am Parish Mass (Both Parishes)

*Isaiah 25.1-9 * Psalm 23 * Philippians 4.1-9 * Matthew 22.1-14*

Access online worship via

www.youtube.com/c/StMarksSouthNorwood

CHURCH NOTICES

Pastoral Care: Mother Roxanne is usually available on Tel. 020 8916 1830 or 07723 038215 or at mtrroxanne@gmail.com but N/A on Mondays. Mother Susan is contactable on 07890 780572; and she's not available on Fridays.

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We pray: for Archbishops Justin and Stephen; for the Bishops in this diocese, Christopher, Rosemarie and Martin.

For the Bishops, priests, deacons and people in our link Dioceses of Zimbabwe; and of the Diocese of The Anglican Church of Kenya.

For the Croydon North Deanery - a richly diverse, densely populated and fast-changing place to live, full of opportunities as well as challenges.

Joyce Forbes (Area Dean), Alison Brunt (Asst. Area Dean); John Stevens (Lay Chair).

For the sick – Richard, Jennifer & Reuben, Rose, Caroline, Susan, Mick, Sigi, Marie-Gabrielle, Colin (Castle), Carmen, Marina, Linda, Fred, Peter, Kay, Simon, Alec, Naomi, Michael, Rudolph, Malik, Dionne (Gill).

The bereaved – the Appiah and Gaisey, the Riches and Zebedee families.

The recently departed – George Kojo Appiah and Pauline Riches. **Years Mind.**

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Remembrance Sunday, 12th November, Joint 10am Mass at Holy Innocents including the Act of Remembrance at the Memorial in the Garden - which honours members of St Mark's Boys Brigade who died in the Great War.

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Sunday, November 19th is the deadline for submitting articles for the Winter edition of the St Mark Parish Magazine. Time to 'put pen to paper'.... we look forward to reading your beautiful stories.