



Sept 8th 2019

The United Church of St Mark is a congregation of Anglicans and Methodists worshipping and serving God together.

Welcome to all visitors in our church today. We hope you enjoy being with us and will want to join us regularly. Do stay for coffee after the service. If you are attending a Communion service you are welcome to receive the bread and wine with us.

No collections are taken at St. Mark's. Please place any offering you may wish to make in the plate at the back of the church either before or after the service. Facilities for regular giving are available. If you are a taxpayer please use the white envelopes at the back of the church to make a gift, and provide your details on the envelope to enable St Mark's to reclaim tax on your gift.

MESSY CHURCH and MESSY MUNCHKINS start again this Tuesday September 10th. If you think you would like to help with either of these please see Liz Townsend for more information.

TODAY SUNDAY 8th Sept, Daniel Burke, and Robert and Andrew Bracey, plus Mel and Dave, will be taking part in a sponsored **LONDON BRIDGES WALK** following the Thames footpath for approx. 22 miles from Richmond Bridge to Tower Bridge. This is part of the fund-raising efforts for an expedition to Poland in 2020 as members of two of the UK European Scout Jamboree units. They need to raise at least £1,100 each for fees. If you would like to help there are sponsorship forms at the back of the church.



SHOEBOXES! Yes, it is that time of year again! We plan to support the scheme organised by Blythswood Care to send filled shoeboxes to eastern Europe and Pakistan to bring Christmas happiness to ALL ages. There are leaflets and spare boxes in the welcome area. If you feel unable to fill a box, donations towards the cost of transportation (minimum £3 for each box) would be gratefully received! Shortlands shoe shop in Banstead (01737 - 350176) will save boxes if you ring to let them know when you can collect. The deadline for returning filled boxes will be the second Sunday in November. Many thanks! Gill Keens (01737 353953)

THREE HEALING SERVICES will be held at St Martin's Church, Church Street, Epsom at 6.30 pm on Sundays, Sep 22nd, Oct 27th and Nov 24th. All are welcome for these services; for an hour or so of quiet thought and prayer. There will be an opportunity for the laying-on of hands with prayer and anointing if desired. *Come and experience the Church's love.* Any queries to: Canon Adrian Esdaile 01372 723 770

COMMUNICATION SURVEY We have decided that this is a good time to reassess the purpose, effectiveness and audience of the weekly newssheet and other forms of communication so that the role of newssheet editor can be reassessed before asking for someone else to take over. There is a survey available, either on paper, or on Survey Monkey. Please could you take a few minutes to answer the following questions and then return it to the mailbox in the entrance hall. Thank you. Hazel

THE ANNUAL MHA CIRCUIT SERVICE will be held at Ryelands in Beddington Gardens, Wallington on Sunday October 6th at 3 pm, followed by refreshments. It's an opportunity to see the facilities and to meet the staff and residents.

WINTERSHALL 2019 – The Nativity – A Play for all the Family. Wednesday Dec 18th- Sunday 22nd. Stand with shepherds in the field and see Mary arrive on a donkey. Sit in the barn where the baby Jesus lies in his manger. A timeless, memorable experience for young and old as the story of Christmas is brought to life. See www.wintershall.org.uk for more details.

THE WOMEN OF WINTERSHALL. An exhibition of watercolours and other crafts and ceramics by Ann Hutley and her daughters and granddaughters in The Music Room, Stable Cottage, Wintershall raising funds for Wintershall Nativity 2019. Friday 11th -Sun 13th October. Tea, coffee and cakes; wine and nibbles. See www.wintershall.org.uk for more details.

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