



Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton

In the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry

15th November 2020
Second Sunday before Advent



**Join our services live online or to watch later
- no one permitted in church:**

**9.30am '20MinutestoPraiseGod' a short service
focused on children and young people**

10.30am Service of Holy Communion

We welcome as our preacher this morning Janice Price who is an ordinand on placement with us during November and December.

For links to these services please see our website

Please pray for Fuel, our young people's group across THiS Team which meets this afternoon on Zoom and for Jen and Simon its leaders.

Collect for the Week

Heavenly Lord,
you long for the world's salvation;
stir us from apathy,
restrain us from excess
and revive in us new hope
that all creation will one day be healed
in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Give thanks for answered prayer: and please pray for:

Reverends Helen Hancock, Luke Wickings, David Nyirongo, Carolyn Lucas & their families, Jen Houghton and family, THiS Team, Carol Bainbridge, Miles Stewart Williams and Paul Atkins.

**The Church will be open for private individual prayer
Mon – Sat 8.30am – 2pm, from Mon 9 Nov to Sat 28 Nov.**

Sermon Series in November – we are thinking about our vision 'Seven Whole Days in Covid and in . . . ' looking at how our Vision might shape our actions and our thinking in these difficult times.

A date for your diary – **Open PCC Meeting on Zoom** Tuesday 17 November at 8pm. Please get in touch with the Parish office if you would like to attend on Zoom.

Watch this space for our **virtual Posada** which will be held during December. Nothing is going to stop Mary, Joseph and Bonkey the Donkey travelling, but this year we will be doing things a little differently. You will have the opportunity to sign up for a slot to give the Holy Family a bed for the night and then link with others as the family make their way around the parish. More details to follow...

Eco-Church As part of our efforts to become an Eco-Church, we are looking to find out if anyone in our Church family is already engaged in local conservation work. If you have a passion for local wildlife, birds, are involved in conservation work or are active with any environmental organisations, please do let now Jen know (jen.houghton@hotmail.com or 07792 242 710).

Christmas Lunch on Jesus – if you would like to get involved with this project which provides festive meals for local people in need do take a look at their website:

www.christmaslunchonjesus.org.uk



Does anyone have a spare battery operated wall clock which we could have for the church? Let Helen know please if you have one you could donate. Thank you!

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For more information about our church and events visit our website at

www.stmatthewskt6.org

email address: admin@stmatthewskt6.org Facebook 'StMatthewsChurchSurbiton'

Julie is still working, although sometimes from home.

Please don't try to visit the Parish Office for the time being but we can be reached on the phone:

Parish Office 020 8390 5121

Rev Helen Hancock 020 8390 3829

Motto Verse2020

Out of reverence for the Lord, I acted differently

based on Nehemiah 5.15