



# Welcome to St Mary's Church

*Following Christ, serving you*

## SUNDAY SERVICES 7<sup>th</sup> July 2024

8.00am

**HOLY COMMUNION**

10:15am

**PARISH COMMUNION**

Thanksgiving for Lilly Lomax  
Baptism of Otilie Gallimore  
Anthem: Ave Verum (Mozart)  
Hymns: 267, 383, 606, 437

6:00pm

**EVENING PRAYER**

## 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY SUNDAY

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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.

### First Reading – 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven - whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person - whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows - was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given to me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.' So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

## **Gospel Reading – Mark 6:1-13**

He left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

## **Post Communion Prayer**

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Please pray for all preparing for baptism and marriage, those who are sick or in hospital, and those who have died, and all who mourn.**

# **Church Diary**

## **NEXT WEEK'S SERVICES**

**Monday 9:15am - Morning Prayer**  
**Wednesday 10:00am – Holy Communion**

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July – 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity Sunday**  
**8:00am - Holy Communion**  
**10:15am – All Sorts Parish Communion**  
**6:00pm – Evening Prayer**

## **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

to help you prepare to worship next Sunday

**Amos 7:7-15 | Ephesians 1:3-14 | Mark 6:14-29**

## Parish news and notices

**LADIES MEAL OUT** – Not to be outdone by the men, ladies are invited to a Curry Night Out at The Red Rose in Brighton Road, Surbiton **at 7:00pm on Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> July**. Please contact Joanne Hall on: 020 8398 5637 or Diana Jemmett on 020 8398 1184 by the evening of 7<sup>th</sup> July if you would like to come along.

**COFFEE!** Our teams of Biblical Baristas serve a wonderful range of quality coffees every Sunday morning but this all costs money. All donations towards refreshments would be gratefully received (an equivalent drink at Squires is at least £3!).

**BOOKBOX** - our next BookBox event will take place on **Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> July at 8:00pm** in the Community Hall. Esteemed author **Piers Torday**, winner of the Guardian Children's Fiction Prize, has written a beautiful book called *There May be a Castle*, which reflects his experience of being with his father during his final illness. Although it was written for young people, it is an uplifting and comforting book that can be enjoyed by those of any age. Tickets are available from Regency Book Shop in Surbiton or through Eventbrite.

**CHURCHYARD TIDY-UP** – Peter Topp will be tidying-up the churchyard on the morning of **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July from 10:00am** for a couple of hours. The work involves collecting up fallen wood, dead-heading, clearing ivy off monuments, cutting back overgrown shrubs etc. and he would love to have some assistance. All are welcome! Do come and join in.  
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