

PENTECOST

The Day of Pentecost marks fifty days since Easter Day and brings the Easter season to an end. It is a major feast of the Church's year when Christians recall how God's Holy Spirit was given to the disciples after Jesus' ascension, empowering them to begin the work of making disciples of all nations.

Pentecost (which comes from the Greek word for 'fiftieth') has its roots in the Jewish Feast of Weeks.

Jesus had promised his followers that, although they would not see him after his Ascension, they would receive the Holy Spirit to guide and inspire them. The Acts of the Apostles describes how the crowds gathered in Jerusalem – representing many nationalities and speaking many languages – were able to hear the disciples preaching in their own language.

'When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.'

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CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

Congratulations to all those at Holy Innocents and St Mark who have been elected or re-elected to serve as Churchwardens, Sidespeople, PCC Treasurers, Secretaries, Synod Representatives and PCC members in both parishes for the coming year. Many thanks for all the hard work you have undertaken in your various ministries in the past year, and may God bless you richly in all that you will be fulfilling in the year ahead.

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DATES FOR THE DIARY

Interfaith Walk - Saturday 1st June

An Opportunity to visit 2 places of worship in Croydon. Meet outside Purley Mosque (130 Brighton Road, Purley, CR8 4EX) to observe prayers at 1.30pm OR outside at 2pm for a look around the Mosque. Then walk along to Purley United Reform Church (906 Brighton Road, Purley CR8 2LN) for a visit at 3pm to hear about all the activities including the Purley Food Hub. **The walk is about 20 minutes. Please let us know if you are coming fticroydon@gmail.com**

Wednesday 12th June Archeacon's Visitation

8.00pm at Christ Church, Purley. This is the service at which Churchwardens, Sidespeople and PCC members are commissioned for the coming year, so please try to attend. Churchwardens need to arrive at 7.15pm. If any difficulties please let Mother Susan know.

Thursday 13th June, Deanery Synod Meeting, at St Luke's Church, Woodside. Start time TBC.

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RECRUITMENT REMINDER!

Both parishes are in need of Chalice Ministers, Leaders of intercessory prayers, and readers of the lessons. If you would like to take up one or more of these ministries (training will be given) please speak to Robert McCann or Mother Susan.

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

Sharing God's grace and love in our community



19th May 2024

Vicar: Vacant

Priest (PTO): Revd. Mother Susan
Wheeler-Kiley, TSSF, SCP

Reader (PTO): Mrs. Cicelyn Hinds,

PENTECOST

8.00am BCP Mass (St. Mark)

10am Parish Mass (Both Parishes)

*Acts 2.1-21 * Psalm 104 * Romans 8.22-27 * John 15.26-27, 16.4b-15*

Today we welcome **Father Tomos Reed** at the 8.00am and **Father Meelis Süld** at 10.00 am at St Mark

Access online worship via

www.youtube.com/c/StMarksSouthNorwood

CHURCH NOTICES

Pastoral Care: for enquiries regarding baptism, confirmation, weddings, blessings, house blessings, renewal of marriage vows, thanksgiving for the birth of a child, to make your confession, or to request a home or hospital visit, please contact Mother Susan 07890 780572, fs.kiley@btinternet.com or Cicelyn Hinds 07484 677951. Please note that Mother Susan's day off is Friday.

The Benefice is in vacancy. For Parish matters, please contact in the first instance, the respective church wardens, St Mark – Donald Ferguson (mr.dferguson@hotmail.com) Holy Innocents – Church.warden@holyinnocentschurch.co.uk

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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 The Anglican Church of Canada.

Wimbledon Team Ministry Mandy Hodgson (Team Rector) Stephen Edmonds (Team Vicar) Clive Gardner (Team Vicar) Sally Carter-Esdale (Reader) and Peter Haddock (Reader), Bishop Gilpin CofE Primary School

For the sick –Emma, Revd Andy Dovey, Joy, Sharon, Marina, Richard, Alec, Malik, Simon, Caroline, Susan, Kay, Sacha, Marlise, Amanda and Anthony. **The recently departed and those whose Years Mind falls at this time.**