The story of the Transfiguration of Jesus on the mount is told in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, and Peter refers to it in his Second Epistle. Each time, it is made clear that that is not only the messenger but also the message: God's salvation is for all and Christ is that Saviour. The testimony of the law and the prophets to lesus are given by the presence of Moses and Elijah and the event also pre-figures the resurrection, giving a foretaste of the life of glory.

On August 1, Anglophone Caribbean nations commemorate Emancipation Day, marking the 1834 abolition of slavery in the British Empire and the 1838 abolition of apprenticeship, a system which forced formerly enslaved people to continue to work uncompensated for their former masters. Emancipation was not a gift. While resistance helped pave the way for emancipation in the 1800s, the Caribbean was not free from British colonial rule for another century. For centuries, Caribbean people fought for liberation from slavery and colonization. Today, amid new calls for the UK to tackle systemic racism and reckon with the crimes of the British Empire, Caribbean people are still fighting for justice and repair.

Vocations Forum - Each one of us is called by God to be a disciple and a worker in the vineyard. For some this calling is to exercise a form of recognised ministry in the Church, whether lay or ordained.

A vocations forum is an opportunity to reflect, pray and discuss with others what type of ministry God might be calling you into.

The focus is on commissioned and licensed lay ministries and on ordained ministry as a Permanent Deacon or as a Priest.

You need your incumbent or chaplain to sponsor you to attend. They will then need to book your place through Sue Stewart, Vocations Team Administrator. Saturday, 16th September, 2023 9:00 am-4:00 pm Saturday, 18th November, 2023 9:00 am-4:00 pm

On Tuesday, 15th August on the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessèd Virgin Mary, Fr. Sam at St Luke, Woodside will be hosting a Mass at 7.30bm - we are all invited to attend.

This year's Croydon North **Deanery Confirmation** will take place at St Mark at 5pm on Sunday Ist October. In this regard and for those aged II and upwards, who wish to be confirmed, please note that Confirmation Classes will begin at 6pm on Wednesday 16th August and conclude on Wednesday 27th September. If you wish to be confirmed but are unable to meet on Wednesdays, then please let Mother Roxanne know so she can make an alternative arrangement.



This year's Macmillan Coffee Morning will once again be hosted by Marcia Bogle-Mayne on (the official day) Friday 29th September in St. Mark's Church Hall. This is a National Fundraiser in support of those who are living with cancer.

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

Sharing God's grace and love in our community



August 2023

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

CELEBRATING EMANCIPATION DAY ON THE FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

8.00am BCP Mass (St. Mark)

10.00am Parish Mass (Both Parishes)

Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14 * Psalm 97 * 2 Peter 1.16-19 * Luke 9.28-36

Access online worship via www.youtube.com/c/StMarksSouthNorwood

CHURCH NOTICES

Today, at Holy Innocents, we especially welcome the parents, godparents, family and friends of Kylani N'lae to her baptism, which will take place during the 10am Parish Mass.

And at St Mark, we look forward to hearing from the young people who will be leading most of the Service of the Word, (including the sermon), on the theme of Emancipation.

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

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

The Bishops, priests, deacons and people in our link Dioceses of Zimbabwe; and the Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo (the Anglican Province of the Congo).

MORTLAKE WITH EAST SHEEN TEAM

MINISTRY Ann Nickson (Team Rector); Alex Barrow (Team Vicar) (Area Dean); Jonathan Haynes (Asst. Curate); Matthew Watts (Asst. Curate); Syliva Collns-Mayo (Self Supporting Minister); William Arnold (Reader); Paul Russenberger (Reader); Deirdre Munro (Southwark Pastoral Auxiliary).

St Mary the Virgin, Mortlake Christ Church, East Sheen All Saints, East Sheen Barnes Hospital.

For the sick – Richard, Jennifer & Reuben, Rose, Caroline, Susan, Pauline and Mick, Sigi, Marie-Gabrielle, Colin (Castle), Carmen, Rodney, Marina, Linda, Fred, Peter, Kay, Everard and Simon.

The bereaved – Claudette and the Hammilton family; The recently departed – Ulric Hammilton; Years Mind.