

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.

DIARY			
Sunday	23 rd September	8.30 am 10 am 8 pm	Holy Communion Sunday Praise Community cinema
Tuesday	25 th September	9 am	Messy Munchkins
Thursday	27 th September	10 am	Holy Communion
Friday	28 th September	9 am – 1 pm	McMillan Coffee morning – see below
Sunday	30 th September	10 am 12.30 pm	Harvest Festival Holy Communion Harvest Lunch
Tuesday	2 nd October	9 am 10 am 3.30 pm	Messy Munchkins Biblesearch Messy Church
Thursday	4 th October	10 am	Holy Communion
Saturday	6 th October	10 am – 1pm	Tattenhams Market

COMMUNITY CINEMA is back tonight **Sunday 23rd September** at 8pm. Come and join us for a showing of a much acclaimed film released in 2017. For more details of the film either see the notice in the church welcome area or email cinema@stmarks.me.uk. Popcorn, ice creams and tea or coffee at the interval and a chance to chat. Entrance is free although we appreciate donations.



OUR HARVEST SERVICE will be next Sunday, 30th September at 10 am. Please help support our collection of food items for the local Epsom & Ewell Foodbank.

At the moment **THEY ARE IN NEED OF:**

- Tinned Meat &, meat pies
- Tinned fruit & vegetables
- Powdered milk
- Long life fruit juice
- Rice
- Cooking sauces
- Sponge puddings

They **DO NOT** currently need

- Baked beans
- Pasta
- Pulses
- tinned soup
- toilet rolls
- Baby wipes & sanitary wear
- Baby food & milk

A BRING AND SHARE HARVEST LUNCH will follow at approx. 12.30 - Bring either a savoury or sweet dish. Hot drinks will be available.



Our SHOEBOX APPEAL this year will be All-Age! so you can make up a shoebox for an adult or elderly person as well as the usual children's boxes. The boxes will be going off to Romania or Serbia with a Christian organisation called **Blythswood Care**. The boxes will need to be at church **by Sunday 4th November**. There will be no "ready to use" shoeboxes this year, so please save your shoeboxes NOW (with any spare ones left at church for others to take). Make sure you take a leaflet available in the welcome area as these explain the scheme and details of what can – and can't – be included in the boxes.

Or see <https://www.blythswood.org/shoebox> for details.

If you feel unable to pack a box but would like to contribute to this worthwhile scheme, any cash donation towards the cost of transportation or any items on the leaflet list that can be used as "fillers" will be most welcome. Thanks! Gill Keens (01737 353953)

1500 CARDBOARD TUBES NEEDED The Advent calendar event on Nov. 30th will require each child to have **24** empty cardboard tubes (toilet roll, kitchen towel roll etc.) so we will need about **1500!!**. Please start saving them now and put in the box in the welcome area. This was a chaotic, but well received event last year and reaches lots of families. Anyone who could help on that Friday evening would be most welcome. We hope to have a short session beforehand so we all know what we are doing. Thanks Liz Townsend

TATTENHAMS MARKET will be back on Saturday 6th October. Come along for a good selection of stalls and visit our popular cafe. Please note that the time for the market is now 10 am – 1 pm.

THANK YOU for all the magazines you donated for patients at St Helier. I am no longer collecting these as the hospital now has a newsagent on site. Elaine

BLACK HISTORY MONTH will be celebrated at the next Methodist Circuit Service at Sutton Trinity Church at 6.30 pm on 7th October. The Guest Preacher will be Revd Ermal Kirby

EPSOM MENTAL HEALTH & WELL BEING FESTIVAL NEW BEGINNINGS 6-13th October. All events are free and open to everyone, with free refreshments throughout the week. Unless stated otherwise our activities will be held at: St Barnabas Church, Temple Road, Epsom, KT19 8HA. For further information visit the website <http://www.lovemelovemymind.org.uk/epsom-mental-health-week/>

MHA 75th Anniversary On Sunday 14th October there will be a Circuit Service at Ryelands, Wallington, at 3pm to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of Methodist Homes. Tea and cake will be served after the service. Please come and support the residents and staff of Ryelands, the first MHA Home.



COFFEE & CAKE in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support on Friday 28th Sept. from 9 - 1pm at Rachel Ruddmore's Weyhaven, Woodland Way, Kingswood, KT20 6PA There will be some other treats to pamper yourself with, and all money raised goes to this worthy cause.

The **WINTERSHALL NATIVITY** – this year will be from Wednesday 12th December to Sunday 16th December. For more details see the Wintershall website www.wintershall-estate.com

NEWSLETTER If you would like to receive the Newsletter by email, please send an email to editors@stmarkschurch.me.uk

COMMUNITY TALKS - TOPICS OF OUR TIME – see separate sheet for more info on these events organised by Guildford diocese.

COMMUNITY TALKS TOPICS OF OUR TIME

Designing Out Crime Safeguarding Yourself & Staff. Tackling Antisocial Behaviour. Recognising the Harm

Date - Thursday 27th September 10-12.30 followed by Lunch

Venue - Church House Guildford, 20 Alan Turing Rd, Guildford GU2 7YF

Speakers: Stephen Cake, Surrey Police Designing Out Crime Officer

Jo Grimshaw: Surrey Police Antisocial Behaviour Manager

Book via email Emma.beswick@cofeguildford.org.uk

The Real Me - This workshop provides an insight into the major mental health issues of today, the pathway of care and what might we do to help keep ourselves and our communities well.

Date: Wed 12th October

Venue: St Columba's House, Maybury Hill, Woking, Surrey, GU22 8AB

£10 charge

Book: St Columba's House 01483 766498 Speaker: Suzette Jones

Abolishing Human Trafficking & Modern Slavery Every year, thousands of men, women and children fall into the hands of traffickers - locally as well as abroad. They can be under our noses as cleaners, in nail bars & car washes. Do you know the signs? How should you respond if you think someone has been trafficked?

Date: Monday, 1st October at 7.30pm

Venue: All Saints Church, Chestnut Avenue, Weston Green, Esher KT10 8JL

Speaker: Suzette Jones

Booking: not required; more information contact 020 8398 1849

Working together to prevent suicide A sensitive, informative, open talk about the myths, facts and burdens of suicide. What do we say to someone who is suicidal? Together, how can we prevent this everyday tragedy?

Date: Wednesday 12th September 7-9pm

Venue: Church House Guildford, Alan Turing Rd, Guildford, GU2 7YF

Speaker: Suzette Jones

Book: via email: emma.beswick@cofeguildford.org.uk

Refugee Support Conference 2018 Celebrating, Reflecting & Learning What more can we do?

Join Bishop Andrew, Maurice Wren (CEO, Refugee Council) and other leading figures, for a morning learning from the experiences and testimonies both Nationally and in Surrey

Date: Monday 5th November from 9:30am - 1pm

Venue: St Saviours Church, Guildford (no parking on-site)

Booking: to reserve your place online: www.cofeguildford.org.uk/whats-on/events