Bishop Jonathan invites you to his farewell service

Thursday 24 February, 5.30pm, Croydon Minster Evensong, followed by reception at 7.30pm at Croydon Minster Hall.

Please register for the service on EventBrite here: bit.ly/3r5QsaD and for the reception here: bit.ly/3o3dBZp. Booking will close once capacity is reached so you are advised to register early.

A Diocesan farewell evensong will also take place at Southwark Cathedral on Tuesday 8th March at 5.30pm (no booking necessary).

The Bishop's Lent Call 2022 has now launched.

The theme is "home", we will be raising money for projects in Southwark and in our Link Dioceses in Zimbabwe and lerusalem to help those in our communities in need of shelter, security and a place to

You can download information on the projects and a poster at southwark.anglican.org/lentcall, where you will also find blogs, videos and details on how to donate. A fundraising pack and ideas for school assemblies will follow in February, while reflections to share in church and with Home Groups will be released during Lent.

The projects in the Diocese of Southwark are:

Nightwatch; Renewed Hope; Redhill; Glass Door; Robes; Greenwich Winter Night Shelter.

In Zimbabwe the money raised will go towards initiatives supporting people dispossessed by poverty, environmental disasters and the pandemic in our Link Dioceses of Central Zimbabwe, Matabeleland, Masvingo and Manicaland.

In the Diocese of Jerusalem the money raised will help All Saints Church in Beirut to feed 100 families displaced by ongoing humanitarian crises.

A pilgrimage to Tur Abdin, Eastern Turkey with **Bishop Christopher**

17-25 September 2022

7pm.

McCabe Pilgrimages has organised a nine-day pilgrimage to Tur Abdin, Eastern Turkey led by Bishop Christopher & Mar Polycarpus, Syriac Orthodox Archbishop of the Netherlands.

There will be stops to holy places, to pray and to reflect, listening both to the voice of history and to the people we encounter along the way. There will be formal times of worship, but also space to be still.

The cost is £2,195 p/p sharing a twin/double room with ensuite bathroom. To reserve and for more details go to: https://bit.ly/3IStxW2

There will be an open evening with speakers from the Tur Abdin for anyone interested at St John Notting Hill, Lansdowne Crescent, WII 2NN on Thursday 24 February 7.30- 9.00pm.

This event has been cancelled - quiz night at Christ Church Purley on Saturday 19th February at

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

Sharing God's grace and love in our community



February 2022

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

The Fourth Sunday before Lent 8.00am and 10.00am

President, Mother Susan Preacher, Mrs Cielyn Hinds Isaiah 6.1-8(9-end) * Psalm 138 * 1Cor. 15.1-11 * Luke 5.1-11

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

CHURCH NOTICES

Until further notice, both Parishes will continue to meet for worship at Saint Mark for the 8am & 10am Sunday Masses: and at Holy Innocents for the weekday Mass on Thursdays at 10am.

Pastoral Care: Mother Roxanne is available (except on Mondays) on Tel. 020 8916 1830 or 07723 038215 or mtrroxanne@gmail.com Mother Susan (07890 780572 fs.kiley@btinternet.com not available on Fridays.

To hire the Church Halls, please call: Jan on 020 8653 0447 for St Mark; and Annette on 020 8771 5779 for Holy Innocents.

We pray: for Archbishops Justin and Stephen; Bishops Christopher, Jonathan, Richard and Karowei in this Diocese; and the Bishops in our link Dioceses in Zimbabwe.

For St Philip & St Mark, Camberwell

Helen Harknett (PiC)

For the Bishops, priests & people of the Church of Ireland.

For the sick: Claude & Richard, Helen, Jennifer & Reuben, Marie-Gabrielle, Amanda, Rose, Caroline, Sigi, Anecka, Lynn, Ronald, Tommy, Ena, Adeline, Peggy, Rudolph, Stephanie, Pamela, Barry, Dennis, Linda, David, Oslene, Anthony, Adrian, Barbara, Jacqueline, Pauline, Anne, Kath, Mark.

For the bereaved: the Fodor, Naldrett and Shaw families.

For the recently departed: Akos Fodor, Hilda Naldrett, Ben Shaw.

For those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time (Years Mind).

POST VALENTINE LUNCH directly after Church on Sunday, 20th February. Cost per person £10. Do

come and support this event and bring your family and friends. Please let Cicelyn or Marcia know if you need a concession. For those unable to attend, please feel free to make a donation - which will be most welcomed.

Thank you! Mtr Rx

COLLECT

O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; 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 (Short or long reading) Isaiah 6:1-8 [9-end]

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called. and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your quilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" [And he said, "Go and say to this people: 'Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.' Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed." Then I said, "How long, O Lord?" And he said: "Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate: until the LORD sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land. Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled. The holy seed is its stump."]

PSALM Psalm 138

R Before the gods I will sing your praise,

Or

R Great is the glory of the Lord!

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart:

before the gods I will sing your praise. I will bow down towards your holy temple and praise your name,

because of your love and faithfulness; For you have glorified your name and your word above all things. R

When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me. All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord,

when they have heard the words of your mouth.

They will sing of the ways of the Lord, that great is the glory of the Lord. Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly;

he perceives the haughty from afar. R

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me. The Lord will make good his purpose for me:

O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands. R

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you - unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also

to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them - though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

GOSPEL Luke 5:1-11

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

While Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed Jesus.

POST COMMUNION

Go before us, Lord, in all we do with your most gracious favour, and guide us with your continual help, that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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