



ST MICHAEL'S PIRBRIGHT & ST MARK'S WYKE



KNOWING GOD AND MAKING HIM KNOWN

Sunday 31st May 2026

What do you think are your gifts?

One of our readings for this week is from Ch. 12 of Paul's letter to the Romans. Our lovely Connect Group has been studying Romans for the last few weeks, well led by Lizzy and John. It really helps to try to understand the context of Paul's writing, in about AD57, as he travelled on probably his third missionary journey. Imagine travelling without planes, cars, hotels... he was a brave man, as were his helpers: despite being imprisoned, nothing stopped him writing, while he lived.

Paul is writing to the churches in Rome and tells them that Jews and Gentiles are all one in Christ. He talks to them very directly about how to live as a Christian, with phrases some of which are familiar to us from services, such as to be a 'living sacrifice', not to conform to the corrupt world, 'not to be full of themselves but act with sober judgement', 'to love sincerely, joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer, and to share with the Lord's people who are in need' and 'Practice hospitality'.

Paul says that we should all do things that we have been given gifts to do. 'If your gift is to give encouragement, then give encouragement! If it is teaching, then teach' (maybe at a Connect Group or an Alpha course, or in church?)! 'If it is to lead, then lead diligently, if it is giving, then give generously'. We can all help in some way to build our churches.

So, what do you think your gift is? Could you help with the music or the technology at church, or with Children's Church? Or Angel Tots? Can you give some of your time and/or money to the church? Are you good at flower arranging? Welcoming? Making cakes or making tea/coffee? Or mending things (I would love to have this gift!). Would you like to serve at the Altar? Read the Bible in church? Do talks at Church on the

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Green, or in church? Help manage Church finances? Could you be a Churchwarden? Or help run the Plant sale or Fair? Whatever your gifts are, whatever you feel called to do, whatever you would like to learn to do, or even just find out about, please mention it to one of the church leaders or churchwardens. We would love to have your help!

Caroline Bews

In your Prayers this week, please pray for:

For the sick and their families at:

St Michael's – Gaynor Davenport, Barbara Douglas, Damian Jon Major, Theo & family, Peter West, John Sim, Imogen and her family, Jackie, Nic Flemming, Joy Underwood, Kate & Ian Bailes.

St Mark's - Robyn Horsburgh, Jack Short, Clare Sherwood, Diana Marchant, Amelia Tilbury, George and Val Chant, Mavis, Simon T.

And all others who need God's healing touch including those known to us and not named, but in our prayers.

For the friends and family of those recently deceased:

We pray for peace for their families and friends during this time of mourning.

Readings for 31st May

- Old Testament – Zephaniah 3:14-18
- New Testament – Romans 12:9-16
- Gospel – Luke 1:39-49(50-56)

	St Michael's	St Mark's
1st Sunday	9.30am Traditional Holy Communion Service	11.15am All Age Service in Church hall
2nd Sunday	8.00am Said Communion (BCP) 9.30am Contemporary Service	11.15am Traditional Holy Communion Service
	5pm Taizé service in alternative churches. See below for timetable	
3rd Tuesday	10.15am Said Communion	
3rd Sunday	9.30am Traditional Holy Communion Service	8.00am Said Communion (BCP) 11.15am Contemporary Service in Church hall
4th Sunday	10.00am Church on the Green	11.15am Traditional Holy Communion Service
5th Sunday	Alternate churches.	

Please note that the 5th Sunday service on 31st May, will be a joint Traditional Holy Communion Service at St Mark's at 10am.

Taizé Services – 5pm

St Mark's	St Michael's
	12 th July 2026
13 th September 2026	8 th November 2026



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Alpha course

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The logo features a large blue letter 'A' followed by a red question mark. A small red circle with the word 'Alpha' in white is positioned between the 'A' and the question mark.

Wednesday 3rd June 7.15pm
St. Michael's Church Room
Church Ln GU24 0JJ

TO SIGN UP and for more information
CONTACT OUR OFFICE
office@stmarkswyke.org.uk
Running every Wednesday consecutively
for 8 weeks



Wyke

Tuesday 9th June, 10am-12noon – talk from the Probation Service

We are blessed to have the community workers come into St Mark's and help to keep the churchyard looking nice with their gardening skills. June's talk is from the manager of the Probation Service, Terry Puttick, who organises these workers to complete their community service. Come along and enjoy his talk with a cuppa and cake!



Wanted – a shed!



St Mark's church hall is looking for a shed! Please!

Medium size, 10x6ft and in good condition.

Our storage needs have increased and we are running out of space!

If you are able to help or might be up-cycling your current shed, we should love to hear from you. With huge thanks. Please contact the office on 01483 811777 or email

office@stmarkswyke.org.uk

St Mark's - are you able to help, please?!

Saturday, 6th June, 1100 – 1600, Pirbright. St. Mark's has a stall with an exciting selection of fundraising entertainment: "water into wine!", guess the weight of the church keys, our famous lolly tree and lots of puzzles and books! If you are able to spare an hour to help, do please let us know - Judy, Sherry or the Parish Office. Thank you!

Although St Mark's mini market (and hearing aid clinic) and Pirbright village fair are on the same Saturday (6th June), there will be lots of time in the afternoon, after the mini market, to join in the fun of the fair at Pirbright!!

**A date for our diaries to celebrate St Mark's 180th birthday!
Saturday, 26th September, from 1pm to
4pm.**

St Mark's is 180 years old this year! 1846 - 2026.
An invitation will be sent to local organisations and everyone in Normandy village to visit our beautiful, historic church, church yard, and church hall, to enjoy an exciting afternoon of St Mark's traditional hospitality, local flower displays, sizzling sausages, entertainment, as well as children's fun and games and our bouncy castle!
The grand "180" raffle, with unbeatable prizes, will be drawn on the day!

180



**CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF
SIR JAMES NURSAW**



(Photograph of Master James Nursaw taken at the 450th Anniversary Dinner at The Middle Temple on 8th November 2023)

On Sunday 12th July 2026 12.30pm
you are invited for drinks and a light lunch in the
Parliament Chamber and Queen's Room,
Middle Temple, London, EC4Y 9AT

To assist with catering please
R.S.V.P to nursawmtemple@gmail.com

Pirbright

Pirbright Open Gardens This Weekend: 30th and 31st May!

'Heaven is a garden that you can enjoy, but someone else maintains.' Not sure who said that, but whoever it was would love the Pirbright open gardens weekend, when you can enjoy privately owned gardens without having to so much as deadhead a daisy. By popular request, the event is spread over two days, and includes several new gardens for you to explore. Chat to garden owners, find out what does well in our conditions and pick up inspiration for your own plot. Maybe stop for a delicious cream tea in the churchyard on both days!

With some gardens open on the Saturday, some on the Sunday and some on both, tickets are valid for both days so you can take your time and enjoy a leisurely stroll in beautiful surroundings, maybe rest a while and see Pirbright from a completely different viewpoint.

Buy tickets in the churchyard from 11am on Saturday, 12 noon on Sunday. Cost £7.50 per adult, free for children under 16 (not transferable). The ticket includes a map and details of all the gardens. Gardens are open from 11am to 5pm on Saturday and 12noon to 5pm on Sunday.

The garden open weekend is brought to you by St Michael's Church and Pirbright Horticultural Society.



Cake Stalls on 6th June

Bakers of Pirbright

Firstly, thank you so much to all the troopers who made goodies for the Plant Sale – what stars you are!

Which does make me feel slightly guilty that I am bothering you again...

The Village Fair – theme **“All Creatures Great & Small”** – is on Saturday 6th June, and I'm afraid I need even more cakes (and loaves and biscuits and sweeties and jams and buns....) Any donations can be brought to Hayloft, Mill Lane, on the 5th, or brought to the stall on the Green any time from 9am on the 6th. If this is not possible, I am very happy to collect. Thank you in advance – I don't know what I'd do without you!

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Pirbright Village Fair
Saturday 6th June 2026
11am - 4pm



FUN DOG SHOW

at 2.45 pm
in the arena
on Pirbright Green

*Register on the day 12.40 - 2.40pm
at the Information Tent*

CLASSES:

Cutest Puppies
Waggiest Tail
Scruffiest Mutt
Best Young Handler (under 16)
Most Handsome Dog
Prettiest Bitch
Veterans (10+)
Dog Judge Would Most Like to Take Home



*£3 per class
or £2.50 per class for multiple entries*

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PIRBRIGHT VILLAGE FAIR
ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL

SATURDAY 6TH JUNE
11AM - 4PM

Vintage Cars & Tractors, Fun Dog Show, Dog Agility,
Children's Races & Rides, Craft Stalls, Crazy Golf,
Petting Zoo, Local Community Displays and more!

———— LOTS OF PRIZES TO BE WON! ————
DELICIOUS FOOD & DRINK STALLS

In support of St Michael
and All Angels Church
and community groups.

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ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL

Dear all

We are looking for volunteers to enter our floral
display as part of Pirbright Village Fair on
Saturday 6th June



All abilities welcome

PRIZES AWARDED FOR THE BEST

WE WOULD LOVE AS MANY PEOPLE TO BE
INVOLVED IN THIS FUN DISPLAY. THE THEME IS ALL
CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL, SO ANY FLORAL DISPLAY

UNDER THAT HEADING WILL BE WELCOME

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Both Churches

Evensong at Guildford Cathedral on Sunday 31st May, 6pm

We are invited, along with Cranleigh Deanery to attend **evensong at Guildford Cathedral on Sunday 31st May, 6pm** - the invitation is to all congregations and clergy. The preacher will be the Area Dean.

Bishop Paul's Gatherings

The Rt Revd Paul Davies, Bishop of Dorking and Acting Bishop of Guildford, invites all congregations and clergy in the diocese to join him at one of 12 Gatherings across the diocese.

This follows Bishop Paul setting out that a strengthened culture of prayer will be the most important of his three priorities. It also comes as we continue to reflect on the loss of the Rt Revd Andrew Watson, the late Bishop of Guildford, and look ahead together with hope.

There will be a gathering in every deanery. Each will include:

- an opportunity for Bishop Paul to meet congregations at a reception
- praise-filled worship led by the Youth Catalyst Team and local musicians
- a celebration of what God is already doing in each parish, shared through faith-building stories

There will also be prayer for the specific needs of every parish, school and chaplaincy in the deanery, and an address from Bishop Paul. He will share what he senses God is saying to us at this exciting time, and how, by working together, we can launch and embed a sustained programme of prayer to underpin all that we do.

BISHOP PAUL'S

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Transforming Lives

GATHERINGS

Join Bishop Paul for an evening to **celebrate** what God is doing in your local area. **Pray, worship** and **explore** our next steps

Emmanuel, Stoughton
Guildford Surrey GU2 9SJ
10th June 2026 - 7:30pm - 9:00pm

For more information cofeguildford.org.uk/bishopsgatherings