

Welcome to St Mary's. We hope you enjoy worshipping with us. If you are here for the first time please make yourself known to one of the clergy or sidespeople. Do take this sheet home with you.

Prayer for the week

May God grant us vision to see beauty in the bleakest landscape,
truth in the most confusing questions,
glimpses of holiness in the darkest despair. Amen.
(Michaela Youngson)

The Retreat: Families with young children may like to use the Melvill Room (door beside the organ) as a Retreat space for young children who are getting restless. The service is relayed into there and there are toys and books for children. There is also coffee available for adults.

Church Electoral Roll: Every six years the Church Electoral Roll must be updated. This means that everyone who considers themselves a member of St Mary's Barnes needs to complete a simple form within the next few weeks. There are forms at the back of church. Please take a couple of minutes to fill it in and leave it in the box as you leave. Completing the form carries with it no duty or obligation. It simply is a statement that you are a proud member of the congregation.

Services on 10th February

8am	Holy Communion BCP	President & preacher: Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne
10am	Parish Eucharist	President & preacher: Rev'd Alistair McCulloch
6pm	Evensong	Officiant: Geoffrey Barnett

Collect for 10th February

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: Isaiah 6 vv1-8 **Gospel:** Luke 5 vv1-11 **10am hymns:** 696, 621, 729, 276

If you have, or know of anyone who has a pastoral concern, please let Fiona Barnett know.
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Special Prayers:

The sick, including Anne White, Philip Mitchell, Sylvia Howell, Christine Percival, Barbara Bryant

Those who have recently died: Dorothea Jackson, Bob & Jean Glover, Michael Kimber

Anniversaries of death: Paddy Carney; Jean Otty; William McCann

This week

Mon to Wed	9.05am	Morning Prayer in the Langton Chapel
Mondays	2.30pm	Sewing group (contact Rosie on 8876 5338)
Thurs 14 th Feb	11.15am	Quiet Time
	12 noon	Holy Communion (CW): President & preacher: Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne
Sat 16 th Feb	10.30am	Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room in aid of Bowel Cancer
Sun 17 th Feb	8am	Holy Communion BCP: President & preacher: Bishop Richard Harries
Third before Lent	10am	Parish Eucharist: President: Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne Preacher: Geoffrey Barnett
	6pm	Healing & Wholeness: Officiant: Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne

If you will be giving your donation to the church in cash, and you pay tax, please use a Gift Aid envelope. This will enable us to claim an extra 25% from HMRC at no cost to you. Write your full name, address and date on the front of the envelope – this MUST be completed in ink to be valid.

Our charity this month: Under Tree Schools – Giving girls a future in South Sudan

It was good to see Joseph in church last Sunday on one of his short visits back to the UK. He was full of thanks to St Mary's for our staunch support of the project to build and run the school in South Sudan. Over coffee he was able to give more detail about how the school is battling on despite the appalling economic problems of what is a failed state. He and we hope that the ceasefire now agreed will indeed lead to a new Government of national unity and the beginnings of a return to development in this new country.

It is remarkable that the teachers are staying loyal to the school despite no Government wages: our small top up salary payments are hugely important to them. Families from the surrounding area are still coming to the town where the school is, for safety, and are sending their girls to the school. Perhaps the free daily lunch (courtesy of the World Food Programme) helps in a country where half the population is hungry. We are sending out money this term to ensure that all girls get a free uniform dress - many have no decent clothes otherwise. Girls are taking end of year exams as usual and we are paying the fees for the oldest to go on to secondary school. We await news of how many start secondary school this term. It would really help the girls if you could start a small regular donation to Under Tree Schools!

www.undertreeschools.org

Barnes Young Musician of the Year 2019

Closing date for applications is 15th February 2019. Full details and application form can be found on the Barnes Music Festival website www.barnesmusicfestival.com

Volunteers are needed to help at Festival events with bar and ushering, please contact office@barnesmusicfestival.com

Women's World Day of Prayer: World Day of Prayer brings together people from all over the world to pray for justice, peace, freedom and mutual understanding. This year's service has been put together by the women of Slovenia (once part of Yugoslavia), and is an open invitation to all to come to God's table. Through the voices of mothers, girls, wives and grandmothers, Roma, migrant workers and refugees, we hear the story of Slovenia's political, social and economic history from its socialist-communist past to the present day. It is a service of music, singing and prayer. Its story holds up a mirror to all countries which have been torn apart by war and conquest, and the effect it has on the souls of those living through those times. Please do come on Friday 1st March at 4pm at St Mary's to this fascinating, moving service.

Richmond Council Fuel Grant

A vital lifeline for residents who are struggling to pay their fuel bills this winter has now been launched by Richmond Council. Residents who are on benefits or have a low income may be eligible for help from the Council with heating bills. Grants of up to £85 per household are now available to protect residents who are at risk from living in fuel poverty. Application forms can be collected from local Libraries, Twickenham Civic Centre or downloaded online from www.richmond.gov.uk Forms should then be returned to the Civic Centre or via post to Local Assistance Scheme (Fuel Grants) Civic Centre, 44 York Street, Twickenham, TW1 3BZ. The closing date for applications is Friday 1 March 2019.

Barnes Music Festival brochures now available

The full brochure for the Barnes Music Festival in March has now been published and tickets are on sale. Please pick up your copy of the brochure from the back of the church or from the dispenser on the lych-gate.

Highlights at St Mary's include:

9 March	Opening Concert <i>Re-Composed</i> with star violinist Fenella Humphreys
12 March	<i>Rêverie Debussy</i> with Lucy Parham & Alistair McGowan
13 March	Violin Recital by Henry Chandler
15 March	<i>Bach St John Passion</i> with Tiffin Boys' Choir
16 March	<i>Turn of the Screw</i> opera
17 March	Come & Sing <i>Invictus</i> with Howard Goodall
18 Mar	<i>Byron Don Juan</i> musico-drama
24 Mar	Festival Choral Evensong with Bishop David Stancliffe

Tickets from Chestertons offices or on-line at www.barnesmusicfestival.com

CTiB Lent Talk Thurs 14th March, 7.30 for 8pm, Chris Patten, St Osmund's Church Hall

Lord Patten is a member of the House of Lords, formerly an MP (Cons) who held Ministerial Office and other significant posts including Governor of Hong Kong and Chairman of the BBC. Lately he has been assisting the Vatican in improving their Communications and Media. He is currently Chancellor of Oxford University. Lord Patten will speak on 'My Life, My Faith'.

Charity Bike Sale 2019

We are looking for someone to join the team running the Bike Sale on Barnes Fair Day (13 July). Specifically, we need someone to help us promote the sale and get as many bikes and buyers as possible. For more info, contact Judy Gowing judygowing@gmail.com 07703 312913

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