

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

Lord, before ever you made us, you loved us.
Nor has your love ever slackened, nor ever shall.
In love all your works have begun, and in love they continue.
In this love our life is everlasting,
and in this love we shall see you and be glad forever. Amen.
(Julian of Norwich)

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.

Services on 13th January

8am	Holy Communion BCP	President & preacher: Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne
10am	Parish Eucharist	President & preacher: Bishop Richard Cheetham
6pm	Evensong	Officiant: Christabel Gairdner

Collect for 13th January

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

First Reading: Isaiah 43vv1-17 **Gospel:** Luke 3 vv15-17, 21-22 **10am hymns:** 520, 341, 765, 712

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, Cynthia Brown, Sylvia Howell, Christine Percival

Those who have recently died: Dorothea Jackson; Eve Kirkby

Anniversaries of death: Ann Johnston; Michael Russell; Peter Pitman

This week

Mon to Fri	9.05am	Morning Prayer in the Langton Chapel
Mondays	2.30pm	Sewing group (contact Rosie on 8876 5338)
Thurs 17 th Jan	11.15am	Quiet Time
	12 noon	Holy Communion (CW): President & preacher: Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne
Sat 19 th Jan	10.30am	Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room
Sun 20 th Jan	8am	Holy Communion BCP: President & preacher: Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne
Third Sunday of Epiphany	10am	Parish Eucharist: President & preacher: Rev'd Canon Julian Reindorp
	11.30am	Informal Service with baptisms: Officiant: Rev'd Canon Julian Reindorp
	6pm	Healing & Wholeness: Officiant: Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne

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Our charity this month: Glass Door

In January, our charity of the month is Glass Door. Glass Door provides supper and overnight shelter in the winter months for homeless people, including in Barnes, and year-round support at its HQ in Chelsea including showers, laundry, food, and advice about accommodation and employment. Winter is a harsh season for the homeless. Our contribution helps to make it a little less so. Thank you to all those who donated clothes and toiletries before Christmas. They are much appreciated.

There are leaflets about Glass Door at the back of church.

CTiB Annual Service of Prayer for Christian Unity - Sunday 13th January at 4.00pm

St Osmund's will host the Annual Service of Prayer for Christian Unity. This Service of Prayers will be led by the Clergy of Barnes representing our Methodist, Baptist, Catholic, and three C of E Churches. The focus is praying together for Persecuted Christians. The preacher is Monsignor Nizar Semaan from the Syriac Church and he will speak from his own experience of the demise of the Christian presence in the Middle East, especially in Syria and Iraq and share stories of faith and courage. The Syriac Church is an Eastern Catholic Church and has many practices and rites in common with the Syriac Orthodox Church. Being one of the twenty three Eastern Catholic Churches, the Syriac Catholic Church has full autonomy and is a self-governing Church whilst remaining in full communion with the Pope. Mar Ignatius Joseph III Younan, who has been the Patriarch since 2009, has the title of Patriarch of Antioch and all the East of the Syriacs and resides in Beirut, Lebanon. It is interesting that each day session of the Second Vatican Council began with Mass and it was only 25 days later that the Mass was said in the form and Rite with which we are familiar in the West. Do put the date in your diary as this will be both interesting and an opportunity to pray for our suffering sisters and brothers.

Update: As you know, Rev'd Richard Sewell is happily working in his new job as Dean of St George's College in Jerusalem. Some of you may have bumped into him over the Christmas period when he was in Barnes briefly. He will be installed as an Honorary Canon of Southwark Cathedral on 20th January at 3pm at the cathedral and the service will last between an hour and an hour and a half. We hope to see many of you there. Richard will not be free until shortly before 6pm but would love to meet up with anybody from St. Mary's then. Please let us know if you would like to stay around for a drink near the cathedral and we will suggest a suitable pub nearby once we have an idea of numbers. Fouki and Phil

Wassailing: St Marys Senior Hand Bells Group are to ring at the first Wassail arranged by the Friends of Barnes Common – at The Education Centre in Vine Road Recreation Ground SW13 0NE. This is a first time event aimed at following an age old tradition of encouraging the trees to give a large harvest – there is a Wassail master who will be dancing round the trees, a new planting in the Goods yard and at Vine Road the group will play a specially adapted piece by Alex Harwood who lived in Barnes as a child and is now commissioned to write for films and theatre at midday – mulled wine and mince pies served in the pavilion at 12.30pm – people are encouraged to come and see the new education facility which is now fully equipped and already happily busy.

Dorothea Jackson's funeral will be held at St Mary's Barnes on Monday 28th January at 12.30pm.

Lost Property accumulated over the last year is on display at the back of the church. Please reclaim your items by 4th February.

Glass Door Barnes Homeless Shelter

We are looking for volunteers to help serve breakfast to the homeless on Sunday mornings (5:45 - 7:00 am) during the winter at the Barnes Methodist Church. If you would like to help in this rewarding work, please contact Pip Danby: 020 8255 5605 danbypip@gmail.com

Women's World Day of Prayer: 4pm service at St Mary's Barnes on Friday 1st March 2019

Barnes Music Festival 2019: details of all events are now on the website www.barnesmusicfestival.com and tickets are on sale from 21st January 2019.

Barnes Young Musician of the Year 2019

Now in its third year, the Barnes Music Festival and Barnes Music Society are looking to award the title of Barnes Young Musician to a local instrumentalist or pianist. Closing date for applications is 15th February 2019 and the adjudication will be led by Paul McCreesh on the opening day of the Festival in March. Full details and application form can be found on the Barnes Music Festival website www.barnesmusicfestival.com

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