

**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:**

Behold Lord, an empty vessel that needs to be filled. My Lord, fill it.

I am weak in the faith; strengthen me.

I am cold in love; warm me and make me fervent, that my love may go out to my neighbour.

O Lord, help me. Strengthen my faith and trust in you.

Amen.

*A prayer of Martin Luther*

**Services on 22<sup>nd</sup> October**

8am	Holy Communion BCP	President & preacher: Rev'd Stephen Stavrou
10am	Parish Eucharist	President & preacher: Bishop Richard Harries
6pm	Evensong	Officiant: Geoffrey Barnett

**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.

**Collect for 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity**

O God, for as much as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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 forever.

**First Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 1 vv1-10

**Gospel:** Matthew 22 vv15-22

**10am hymns:** 704, 258, 812, 612

If you have, or know of anyone who has a pastoral concern, please let one of the clergy or Fiona Barnett know.

**Special Prayers:**

**St Mary's outward giving projects:** FiSH: it's workers, volunteers and the older people they support

**The sick,** including Alastair Mackie, Carole Stratton

**Anniversaries of death:** Frank White

**Those who have died:** Jane Radford; Peter Davies; Edith Day; Rev'd Trevor Patterson

**This week**

Mon to Fri	9.05am	Morning Prayer
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	2pm	Sewing group (contact Rosie on 8876 5338)
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup>	11.15am	Quiet Time
Oct	12 noon	Holy Communion (BCP): President & preacher: Sister Margaret Anne
Sat 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10.30am	Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room in aid of Trinity Hospice
Sun 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct	8am	Holy Communion BCP: President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell
	8.45am	Parish Breakfast in the Melvill Room
	10am	Parish Eucharist: President: Rev'd Richard Sewell, preacher: Sister Margaret Anne
	6pm	All Souls' Thanksgiving Service: Officiant: Rev'd Richard Sewell

**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.**

## FiSH Neighbourhood Care: our charity of the month

FiSH Neighbourhood Care is a charity and a limited company. It employs a small staff and relies on donations and goodwill from the local community in order to support older and vulnerable people living in Barnes Mortlake and East Sheen. **PRAY** – that at all time and in all ways FiSH would be a good and responsible steward of the resources it has been given, caring for clients, volunteers and staff in a responsible and honourable way.

*Hebrews 4:13 Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.*

### All Souls Service – 29<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm

There is a list at the back of church where you may add names of loved ones who have passed away so that they may be remembered at the All Souls service.

### St Mary's Christmas Fair on Sat 18<sup>th</sup> Nov

**Donations Wanted:** We have placed a box at the back of church to collect items for the Christmas Fair. We need **BOTTLES** of wine or soft drink for the Tombola as well as **BRIC A BRAC** items. If you can bring these in and place them in the box, we will then store them safely. We are also after any **RAFFLE** or **SILENT AUCTION** prizes that you are able to offer - please contact Kate Cowell [kate.cowell@gmail.com](mailto:kate.cowell@gmail.com)

**Churches Together in Barnes** works to promote Christian fellowship in SW13. Our 'ancient' html website has crashed and we are looking for a volunteer to offer us a few hours to design a simple new CTiB Site using WordPress, Websitebuilder or equivalent. If you can help please contact Mia at [miagibbons@gmail.com](mailto:miagibbons@gmail.com)

**The Help Tibet Trust** is holding its annual lecture on Tuesday 31st October at St. Mary's Church, Barnes and our speaker is Mr. Chris Mullin speaking about his book 'Hinterland'. Chris is the author of three novels and had led the successful campaign to free the innocent people convicted of the Birmingham bombings. 'Hinterland' is his autobiography. The evening will conclude with a Reception offering drinks and canapes. Ticket (£25 each) numbers are restricted so please book in advance and they are available from Linda on 020 8748 5668 or Isabelle on 020 8748 6984

The Barnes **Cards for Good Causes** Christmas shop opens for trading on Friday 27th October in Barnes Methodist Church. Sally-Ann, our local organiser, would love more volunteers to help staff it. The shop will be open from Oct 27th to 16th December from 10-4, six days a week (closed Sundays). Can you spare a couple of hours once a week to help out? It's great fun and in the past 10 years charities have received more than £40 million from CFGC sales nationwide. For more information please contact Sally-Ann at [sally-ann@brianfeldman.co.uk](mailto:sally-ann@brianfeldman.co.uk)

**Friends of St Mary's Annual Report** was published at the Annual Choral Evensong on 15 October and copies are available at the back of the church and on the St Mary's website [www.stmarybarnes.org](http://www.stmarybarnes.org)

### UNBROKEN Mental Health Awareness Festival Sat 28<sup>th</sup> to Mon 30<sup>th</sup> October

Emma King-Farlow is directing this festival for the second year with an exciting mix of film, art, live music, new writing, art therapy taster workshop and 'Under My Skin' a powerful play and lots more. Please find out more at [www.unbrokenfest.com](http://www.unbrokenfest.com)

**Transforming Mental Health:** Join Healthwatch Richmond for an evening exploring Mental Health care in Richmond, the challenges people currently face, improvements being made and the road to better care. Thursday 9th Nov, 6-9pm at York House, Twickenham. Information and free registration: <http://www.healthwatchrichmond.co.uk/transforming-mental-health-richmond>

### 'The Gift of Christmas' with Virginia McKenna

on 9th December 2017 at 6pm: Come and share the tears and laughter, the miracles and disasters of the festive season through the words of Alan Ayckbourn, Joyce Grenfell, Oscar Wilde, Charles Dickens, Adrian Mole, Benjamin Zephaniah, John Betjeman, Noel Coward and of course Santa Claus. Sing along with carols, share a drink and mince pie in the interval and celebrate the greatest gift of all, Peace and Goodwill, as Virginia McKenna reads from Michael Morpurgo's "The Best Christmas Present in the World". Tickets from [www.ticketsource.co.uk/stmarybarnes](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/stmarybarnes)

**Barnes Charity Ball 2018 "Highland Fling"** on Friday 2nd February 2018 ticket applications now open so fill in a form (available on the website [www.barnescharityball.org](http://www.barnescharityball.org) and in the church) to enjoy the social event of the year and enjoy a Scottish experience of entertainment, food, drink and dancing. Key to success has been generous auction items offered so if you have a holiday home in Skye, the Maldives (or even Govan), special passes to an event (RAH?) or a unique gift (fine wine?), please get in touch with [info@barnescharityball.org](mailto:info@barnescharityball.org)

**Barnes Music Festival 2018** outline programme has been published. Please pick up a leaflet with all the details and save the dates of 10 - 25 March 2018 for two weeks of wonderful music-making in Barnes.

### Barnes Young Musician of the Year 2018

applications are now open to students of Grade 6 standard and above who live, attend school or have their instrumental lessons in Barnes. Go to [barnesmusicfestival.com](http://barnesmusicfestival.com) for full details and application form.

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