

Welcome to St Mary's. We are delighted that church services have resumed. In line with government regulations relating to Covid-19, numbers are limited, however to do our best to enable all who wish to worship to do so, there will be an extra Parish Eucharist at 11.30am until we have a better idea of numbers and/or if regulations change. Please do not attend if you are experiencing any symptoms. Please tell us your service choice for 12th July 2020 via this [Google Form](#) which can also be found on our [Online Church](#) page. A new form will appear each week. We will continue to put services [online](#) for those unable to come to church. Full details of our plans for services can be found [here](#).

A Familiar Stranger

I saw a stranger today.
I put food for him in the eating-place
And drink in the drinking-place
And music in the listening-place.
In the Holy name of the Trinity, He blessed myself and my family.
And the lark said in her warble, often, often, often, goes Christ in the stranger's guise.
O, oft and oft and oft, goes Christ in the stranger's guise.

8am Holy Communion (BCP) led by Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne

10am & 11.30am Parish Eucharist: President:

Rev'd James Hutchings, preacher: Bishop Richard Harries

12.30pm Baptism of Henry Adams

6pm Said Evensong led by Christabel Gairdner

The online Sunday Club will again be at 11am via Zoom

Other services and events

Morning Prayer 8.30am Monday-Friday in the Langton Chapel;
and on [St Mary Barnes Facebook page](#) Monday-Thursday & Saturday

Saturday 11th July 1pm Marriage of Jaleh Caprez and Mathew Dawson

Monday 13th July 2.30pm Philippians Zoom Study Group

Tuesday 14th July 6.30pm PCC meeting in church

Thursday 16th July 12 noon Holy Communion (CW) led by Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne

(11am coffee time not currently possible)

Collect for 12th July

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

First Reading: Genesis 25.19-34

Gospel: Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23

Special Prayers: [Age UK Richmond](#)

The sick, including Isabelle, Jackie Northen, William McGowan, Jane Thomas, Irene May Wilson, Anne White, Monty & Maisie Brown **Anniversaries of death:** Baby Arabella Maynard, Steven Tranter

Those who have died: Janet Skilbeck, Campbell Roxy

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CHURCH OPEN DAILY FOR PRAYER AND REFLECTION

The church continues to be open 9am-5pm. You are asked to clean hands with the sanitizer at the entrance on arrival and departure. A face covering is not required but may be your preference.

Please remember to social distance.

Online Church: The Parish Eucharist is recorded and available by early afternoon on the St Mary's YouTube channel, which can be found by using the web link shown here: [YouTube](#) It can also be found on the [Online Church](#) page on our website, where you will also find links to Morning Prayer, other services, music and children's resources and photo gallery.

You can join Morning Prayer live on Facebook www.facebook.com/stmarybarnes/ at 8.30am or anytime after it ends. You don't have to be a Facebook member to watch it (just click 'not now' when it prompts you to join).

Learning from the lockdown: A series of contributions on this theme begins this week with reflections from Christabel Gairdner is on our [News](#) page. A new one will follow weekly over coming weeks, from a variety of people on how they experienced lockdown in their context and any lessons that might be learned for us locally and further afield in the future. I have invited a number of people to contribute but if you would like to share your story, please let me know. revdjames@stmarybarnes.org

Weddings vergers(s) needed!: Our current vergers Hilary Cooper is retiring from the role which she has done so well for several years. I am delighted that Karen Aldred has volunteered for the role. However it would still be good to hear from anyone else who would like to do verging from time to time at weddings or funerals (to assist Sian Walford). The vergers welcome the congregation on arrival, giving out orders of service and providing other practical information. Usually the vergers also come to the rehearsal a day or two before to meet the couple and so there is someone else other than the priest who is aware of any particular requirements. St Mary's has about 10 weddings a year, usually on a Saturday. This is an opportunity to be the friendly face of the church and to be able to join in the joy of the wedding day. There is a payment made to the vergers for each wedding they attend.

Please let me know if you would be interested or like to know more. revdjames@stmarybarnes.org

Philippians Zoom group: Philippians Zoom group continues on Monday 6th July at 2.30pm. If you missed last week but would like to take part, please contact Revd James and he can also give you a recording of last week's session. revdjames@stmarybarnes.org

Text Giving: To donate to support the maintenance and work of

St Mary's, text STMARYBARNES to 70450, adding the amount you wish to give (i.e. to donate £5 text STMARYBARNES5/ for £10 text STMARYBARNES10 and so on). Texts cost your donation plus one standard rate message and you'll be opting in to hear more about our work and fundraising via telephone and SMS. If you'd like to give but do not wish to receive marketing communications, text STMARYBARNESNOINFO to 70450 adding the amount as above (i.e. £5 STMARYBARNESNOINFO5).

Iris Goldsmith: Many of you will have seen the tree on Barnes Common which was decorated with floral tributes and drawings in an outpouring of grief after Iris Goldsmith died on 8th July 2019. Her family have recognised that this could not continue indefinitely and have installed a bench opposite the tree. Notices nearby state that *'Work to install a memorial bench will commence this week and be completed by 8th July 2020. The floral and other tributes around the tree will be taken away by the family after they have visited to mark the anniversary'*

Bellringing: Whilst no bellringing has been allowed during lockdown, the ringers have been continuing their practices from home. Using Zoom to communicate, they opened up a second programme called 'Ringing Room'. The programme was developed by two young ringers in America where there are only 48 bellringing towers in the whole country (compared to the UK where there are over 5,500 ringing towers) and ringers have to travel huge distances even to get to their own tower. Ringing Room enables 'virtual' bellringing, where 6 or 8 people can meet and ring an allocated bell in a tower using the keyboard. Even for experienced ringers this has proved challenging, but it gets easier every time and our newer ringers are progressing with their method learning. This will help enormously in the long term, but it is nothing like the joy of ringing the real St Mary's Bells! We will be back, but just don't know when.

These links have some good and straightforward reflections for prayer and action linked to this Sunday's gospel:

[Roots on the web for Adults](#)

[Roots on the web for Children & Families](#)

Cont'd below

More tea Rector? As lockdown eases somewhat, do let me know if you would like me to visit sometime. I can bring my own mug and flask and chair, and we could chat in a garden or through your window depending on your circumstances or have a socially distanced walk. Monday-Wednesday afternoons are usually available for me at the moment. revdjames@stmarybarnes.org

Pastoral Letter: The four Bishops of Southwark Diocese have written a pastoral letter to all congregations, please do read it on the News page of our website [here](#).

Church scrapbooks online: One year per week at a time will be featured on the [History & Architecture](#) page on our website and on social media. This week we continue with 1989.

For the love of scrubs: I am supporting a local group of volunteers based in and around Putney and Barnes who are sewing to make up scrubs for local hospitals and care homes. We have two volunteers who are cutting the patterns ready and they really need any fabric or material that anyone can donate. There may be parishioners sorting out their linen cupboards or people spare rolls of fabric that they might offer or sell at cost for this worthy cause. The fabric would need to be washable at 60° so cotton or polycotton would be preferred. See the group on [Facebook](#) and they also have a [Giving](#) page should you wish to donate money. Sheila Treadaway 07711 284096 sheilatreadaway@gmail.com

Barnes Cares is co-ordinated by the Barnes Community Association. [Barnes Cares](#)
Richmond Council Community Hub: 0208 8716555 or covid19support@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk
[Richmond Foodbank](#) The Castelnau Centre, 7 Stillingfleet Road, Barnes SW13 9AQ accept donations from 9.15am-11.15am on Friday mornings. You can also leave donations in the box in church near the entrance.

St Mary's charity of the month: [AGE UK Richmond](#). Sadly, the charity had to shut down activities at our Barnes Green Centre during the Covid-19 lockdown but this allowed our partner and neighbourhood care group FiSH to take over the kitchen for a much needed food delivery service for our community. Our Twickenham Centre became the headquarters for distributing food and essentials to those in need across the other side of the Borough. With the amazing generosity of shops, suppliers, our dedicated staff and volunteers we were able to cater for many isolated people. We were also able to run most of our other services on line advising people on their Welfare Benefits, running our essential and respected Hospital from Home and enabling creative new projects on line to help the community during the long lockdown. We will give you more information about the future throughout the month. Inevitably this has meant a drop in our donations and grants so please consider supporting us through this difficult transition period from lockdown to an uncertain future for the charitable sector. Our grateful thanks go to our supporters and volunteers and resilient staff throughout the past three months.
AGE UK Richmond, Parkway House, East Sheen, SW14 8LS Telephone: 0208 876 3625
<https://www.ageuk.org.uk/richmonduponthames/>

St Mary's takes the safeguarding and care of children and vulnerable adults very seriously.
Our **Parish Safeguarding Officers** are Elisabeth Munden and Natasha Mold. If you have any concerns about the safety or welfare of a child or vulnerable adults, they can be contacted via safeguarding@stmarybarnes.org or the Church Office on 0208 741 5422.