

First Sunday of Lent

To inspire hearts and minds to serve the mission of God

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

Take O Lord and receive my entire liberty, my memory, my understanding and my whole will.

All that I am and all that I possess You have given to me. I surrender all to be to be used as to your will. Give me only your love and grace with which I will be rich enough and will desire nothing more.

Prayer of St Ignatius Loyola

Services on 18th February

Holy Communion BCP 8am President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell 10am Parish Eucharist President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell

Officiant: Rev'd Richard Sewell 6pm Healing & Wholeness

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 18th February

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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: Genesis 9 vv8-17

Gospel: Mark I vv9-15

10am hymns: 46, 383, 593, 592

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: Bishop's Lent Call

The sick, including Alastair Mackie, Carole Stratton, Anne White

Those who have died: Lucy Thompson; Peter Pitman; Janet Keen; Charles Turnbull; Jean Otty

Anniversaries of death: Nigel Proddow, Gwen Chadwick, Nicholas Ley

This week			
Mon to Fri	9.05am	Morning Prayer	
Mondays	2.30pm	Sewing group (contact Rosie on 8876 5338)	
Thurs 22 nd Feb	11.15am	Quiet Time	
	12 noon	Holy Communion (BCP): President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell	
Sat 24th Feb	10.30am	Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room	
Sun 25th Feb	8am	Holy Communion BCP: President & preacher: Bishop Richard Harries	
Second	8.45am	Parish Breakfast in the Melvill Room	
Sunday	10am	Parish Eucharist: President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell	
of Lent	6pm	Evensong: Officiant: Christabel Gairdner	

This month's Charity

A message from the Bishop of Southwark:

As we move on through Epiphanytide, when we are giving thanks for the many gifts that God has given to us and our parishes and for the generosity of the parishes through the Parish Support Fund,

I am pleased to be able give details for this year's Lent Call.

The projects we are supporting seek to bring help to those who are in need in the Holy Land as a result of the years of conflict; to offer help to our brothers and sisters in Zimbabwe as they work at this time of national transition for a better tomorrow there and to care for those in need of help across a wide spectrum of issues such as homelessness, mental health and domestic violence here in our own Diocese. Alongside giving to these projects I hope that you will wish to pray for the people concerned and the needs these projects address.

More details about these projects during Lent.

What is Safeguarding?

Safeguarding is promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and protecting them from harm. St. Mary's Barnes is committed to safeguarding children and vulnerable adults in line with national church policies. We acknowledge that safeguarding the vulnerable in our church and the community we serve is of paramount importance and reflects the true nature of Jesus Christ. We have a Safeguarding Policy, carry out appropriate training and have good working procedures in place. These are reviewed regularly to ensure best possible practice at all times. You can find our Safeguarding Policy in the church entrance. If you have any concerns about the welfare of a child or vulnerable adult please speak to our Safeguarding Officers, Lis Munden or Natasha Mold. Their photos can be seen in the church entrance. Alternatively, you can email Natasha Mold on natashamold@gmail.com If you would prefer, please speak to or email Revd Richard.

Alistair McGowan and Anthony Hewitt will be performing again at lunchtime on Feb 21st (1-2pm) to run in some of their repertoire for their forthcoming piano concert at the Barnes Music Festival. Anthony will play Ravel's hugely-challenging 'La Valse' (for the first time) and Alistair will attempt simpler pieces by Debussy, Gershwin, Ravel, Barber and Bill Evans. A perfect antidote to the winter blues! Entrance free.

CTiB 2018 Lent Talk

My life; my faith, Shirley Williams, The Rt Hon. the Baroness Williams of Crosby on Thursday 1st March (7.30 for 8pm) at St. Osmunds' Church Hall, Castelnau SW13 9RT. All welcome

St Michael & All Angels, Barnes, is looking for an efficient, friendly and organised person to be their new Parish Administrator. The role could be undertaken by one person, or two people in a job share. Please see the job specification on the website www.stmichaelbarnes.org for more information and please note that the application deadline is 28th February.

A paperback, more affordable edition (at £9.99) of **The Beauty and the Horror; searching for God in a suffering world** by Richard Harries will be in the Barnes bookshop in the next few days.

Lent home group: Christ in the Wilderness, reflections on five paintings by Stanley Spencer over five weeks beginning Thursday 15 Feb at 10.30am at 2 Mill Hill Road. All are welcome. Ring Fiona or Geoffrey Barnett 8878 6975 for more information.

Castelnau Community Centre: are running five **free** art sessions run by an art facilitator for people experiencing memory loss, confusion or early stage dementia. Tuesdays 12.45 to 2.45pm, light lunch provided. Taster session is on 6th Feb and the sessions run on 20th, 27th Feb and 6th, 13th and 20th March. To book your place call Simon on 020 8741 0909

Daily Friends of St Mary's

We need one or two new Daily Friends to help keep the church open on weekdays from 10.30-12.30. Volunteers do one hour a fortnight so if you think you could help please call Sian Walford on 0208 876 1432. Thank you.



Barnes Music Festival 2018 tickets are now on sale, available online via barnesmusicfestival.com/tickets or in person at Chestertons offices in Barnes.

Please check the website for full details of events, timings and

ticket prices 10th - 25th March www.barnesmusicfestival.com for full programme and tickets. Festival brochure now available at the back of church.

St Paul's School invite you to join them for an exclusive evening with former Bishop of London, Rt Hon and Rt Rev Lord Richard Chartres. Lord Chartres became Bishop of London in 1995 and during his time he confirmed Prince William, gave a sermon at the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge's wedding and led the funeral of Baroness Thatcher.

The former Bishop of London will speak about Samuel Pepys, from Presbyterian school boy at St Paul's to his death as a Non-juror. 6th March 2018 at 6.30pm Venue: Samuel Pepys Theatre, St Paul's School Ticket cost: £7.50 (includes pre-lecture drinks) Book tickets at https://opclub.stpaulsschool.org.uk

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