

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

Dearest Lord, teach me to be generous;
Teach me to serve thee as thou deservest;
To give and not to count the cost,
To fight and not to seek for rest,
To labour and not to seek reward, save that of knowing that I do thy will.
Saint Ignatius of Loyola

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 22nd September

8am	Holy Communion BCP	President & preacher: Rev'd James Hutchings
10am	Parish Eucharist	President: Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne Preacher: Rev'd James Hutchings
6pm	Evensong	Officiant: Rev'd James Hutchings

Collect for 22nd September

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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. Amen.

First Reading: Amos 8 vv4-7 **Gospel:** Luke 16 vv1-13 **10am hymns:** 629, 704, 634, 781

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.

Difficulty in hearing or reading?

There is a hearing loop system in this church. Just switch your NHS hearing aid to the 'T' position. Privately purchased aids may work differently; check your aid instructions. There are also large print service booklets and hymn books. Please ask a sidesperson if you need one.

Special Prayers: For our UnderTree Schools charity and the staff and girls at the school in South Sudan

The sick, including Anne White, Philip Mitchell, Monty & Maisie Brown

Those who have died: Anne Rogers, Jo Sullam, Alan Wade, Hugo Middleton, Roly Wickenden

Special prayers: Mr. Eskandar Rezai, an Iranian Pastor who has been arrested and is potentially facing the death penalty. **Anniversaries of death:** Derek Allpass, Margaret Sharp, Robert Walker

This week

Mon to Fri	9.05am	Morning Prayer in the Langton Chapel
Mondays	2.30pm	Sewing group (contact Rosie on 8876 5338)
Thurs 26 th Sept	11am	Refreshments with the Rector in the Melvill Room
	11.15am	Quiet Time in the church
	12 noon	Holy Communion (BCP): President & preacher: Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne
Sat 28 th Sept	10.30am	Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room in aid of City Harvest
Sun 29 th Sept	8am	Holy Communion (BCP): President & preacher: Rev'd James Hutchings
15th Sunday after Trinity	8.45am	Parish Breakfast in the Melvill Room
	10am	Parish Eucharist: President & preacher: Bishop Richard Harries
	6pm	St Michael's & St Mary's Combined Choral Evensong at St Michael's

Under Tree Schools: our charity of the month, educating girls in South Sudan

The UTS charity runs the only all-girls school in its area. Parents are more likely to send their daughters to an all-girls school. Most of the teachers are paid by the state (when funds come through – government budgets are heavily stretched), but the charity gives a small top up to keep their loyalty. UTS pays the wages of non teaching staff, including cooks, guards and the staff of the chapel built in the school grounds. UTS also contributes to feeding the girls and staff, and pays for maintenance of the school building, and buying teaching equipment. All the girls also get a free uniform each year and the sports teams get sports clothes. Insecurity caused by the civil war has resulted in a severe food shortage in the country, so UTS also provides a subsidy to help the school grow food on the neighbouring land.

Harvest Festival, 6th October

We will have an all-age service so do please encourage friends to come along to give thanks for the good things God gives us. Please bring harvest donations, preferably not-perishable, which will then go on to the food bank. Harvest is about giving thanks for all the gifts God gives us, not only food. So, for a change, think about a symbol of your work or skills, paid or unpaid, which you could bring and present at the altar during the service (for you to take back at the end of the service!).

There will also be bread making for the children to do! We will consume this at our harvest lunch in the church after the service, so do please stay on if you can.

Claire Boyling says 'It would be wonderful if everyone could bring a contribution and celebrate with us. We are looking for pre-cooked quiches, pizzas, coronation chicken (or similar), salads, cheese. Something substantial for what may prove to be a chill Autumn day! There is a sign-up list at the back of church as a rough idea of numbers is always helpful. Any queries please email/ring me: claire.boyling@gmail.com 0208 878 3775. Many thanks as always.'

More coffee Rector? Hospitality and holy community go hand in hand, so I would like to see if there is any interest in gathering for coffee/tea before the Thursday 12 noon communion. From 5th September, I will have the kettle on in the Melvill Room from 11am each Thursday. It will be an opportunity for fellowship or for anyone wanting to have a word with me, and there will be no expectation of staying on for the Communion if that isn't possible. Quiet Time will continue in the church as now. I have found in previous parishes that a midweek communion with refreshments is helpful, especially for those who cannot get to the Sunday 10am, so I would like to give it a try here! James

Youth and Children's Worker

We hope to be advertising soon for a new worker to take forward the work which Charlie did before he moved on. This will be a 0.5 part time role. The final details are to be discussed by the PCC in September, but in the meantime, do please pass this on to anyone who might be interested in this vital role, and give Cheryl or me the details of anyone who would like to receive the application pack once agreed. James

Classical Music Recital on 3 October at 7:30 pm (doors open at 7). The excellent Timothy Orpen, clarinet, Victoria Simonsen, cello and John Reid, piano in concert at St Mary's, promoted by the Barnes Music Society. The programme includes works by Bruch, Beethoven, Poulenc, Brahms and Rota. Tickets £15 or £12 concessions available in advance from <https://www.wegotickets.com/event/481829> or on the door. Under 25s free! For more details, see <http://www.barnesmusicsociety.org.uk>

Church administrator vacancy: Barnes Methodist Church is looking for a new part-time administrator. The role will involve working alongside the Methodist churches in the local area, overseeing bookings, managing communications and other responsibilities. It will be 15-18 hours per week, with the potential for flexible working. For more details and how to apply, please see www.barnesmethodistchurch.org.uk Closing date for applications is 30 September.

Glass Door Homeless Charity will be hosting their annual Sleep Out on 4th October 2019 on Duke of York Square in Chelsea. To register or find out more, please visit www.glassdoor.org.uk or call the charity on 020 7351 4948. **Our Rector, James**, will be joining the Sleep Out and would love to be joined by others. He is grateful to those who have sponsored him, or may yet do so, online (via www.glassdoor.org.uk/appeal/james-hutchings-sleep-out-fundraising-page), or by cheque/cash via the church office.

Barnes Charity Fashion Show 9/10 October

7.30pm: Join the boutiques of Barnes as they show off their latest fashion collections on the runway in the unique setting of St Mary's Barnes, sponsored by Knight Frank. Join us at the after-party in Kitson Hall for a free glass of prosecco. All in aid of local charities. Tickets (£25 unallocated, £35 premium seats in front two rows) available from Knight Frank, 56 Barnes High Street or online at www.ticketsource.co.uk/stmarybarnes

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