

**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 this week:**

Govern everything by your wisdom, O Lord,  
so that my soul may always be serving you in the way you will and not as I choose.  
Let me die to myself so that I may serve you; let me live to you who are life itself.  
Amen.  
*St. Teresa of Avila*

**Our challenge:** we hope all our congregation will want to be a blessing to others, through generous gifts of time and money, in response to the many blessings we receive from God. **Please consider whether you can start a standing order to St Mary's, or increase an existing one.**  
If you were not in church to hear the wardens and Richard speak, please check the explanation on the church website: [www.stmarybarnes.org](http://www.stmarybarnes.org) under Our church/Our challenge/Our choices.

**Services on 23rd July**

8am	Holy Communion BCP	President & preacher: Rev'd Adam Rylett
10am	Parish Eucharist	President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell
6pm	Evensong	Officiant: Martin Calderbank

**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 23rd July**

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

**10am: First Reading:** Genesis 28: 10-19a

**Gospel:** Matthew 13 vv23-40, 36-43

**10am hymns:** 422, 610, 242, 489

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:** Under Tree Schools in South Sudan and Rev'd Joseph Ayok

**The sick,** including Alastair Mackie, Joan Putz

**Anniversaries of death:** Rachel Mackie; Ann Adamson

**Those who have died:** Georgina Hughes, Ronnie Williams, baby Arabella Maynard; Stephen Tranter

**This week**

Mon to Fri	9.05am	Morning Prayer
Monday	2.30pm	Sewing group (contact Rosie on 8876 5338)
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> July	11.15am	Quiet Time
	12 noon	Holy Communion (BCP): President & preacher: Rev'd Stephen Stavrou
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup> July	10.30am	Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup> July	8am	Holy Communion BCP: President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell
	10am	Parish Eucharist: President: Rev'd Richard Sewell, preacher: Martin Calderbank
	6pm	Evensong: Officiant: Geoffrey Barnett

**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.**

## Under Tree Schools - education of girls in South Sudan

What would you see if you were at the school on a normal school day?

The girls - 350 of them from 6-15 years old - would appear from all directions from about 8am (some having walked a long way, and very fast as the Dinka do). They would be wearing the school dress they are given at the start of each year. A number of them would bring their little brothers and sisters for whom they are responsible during the day - they go to a nursery. The 20 teachers arrive. The 8 classes start at about 8.30am. Lunch is soon after noon; the children wash their hands under the guidance of the older girls and get their hot lunches, prepared by the four cooks. Then they go home for the day. Children and adults cluster round the school water pump fetching water for the school and for families who live in the area. The pump is on one side of the central yard, which has red soil. The yard has a very big tree in the middle, which gives shade; and on each of two sides is a long one-storey block of four classrooms. On the fourth side is an administration block for the teachers and the dining hall. Behind one of the class room blocks is a circle of huts for some of the teachers, staff and visitors, and the meeting hut for the teachers. And the chickens and goats that root freely around while they grow big enough for the pot. Behind the admin block are the solar panels that produce light in the evenings for the buildings. 100 yards beyond the water point are latrines for the girls and another 100 yards away is the chapel. There are sports fields for games like football and netball. There is the barn for the school's cattle herd. On all sides of the whole complex is the town of Malek Alel which has grown up over the last 10 years, with the round huts of the families who live there, a street of tent-like shops, and a tall pylon for mobile phone reception. You can get a better idea if you see the photos on the UTS website: [www.undertreeschools.org](http://www.undertreeschools.org)

**Rectory Tea Party:** Richard & JulieAnn invite you to the Rectory Tea Party on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 3pm – 5pm; everyone is very welcome.

**We want to have the church open for visitors,** but we need someone on hand to keep an eye. We open every morning from 10.30 to 12.30 and a faithful group take an hour every few weeks to sit, perhaps read, and perhaps chat to those who pop in for whatever reason. Could you spend an hour on our rota? If so, please speak to Sian Walford (8876 1432) if you can do a weekday, or Lucy Hine (8748 4852) if you can do a Saturday.

**GlassDoor** supports the homeless and is one of the charities St Mary's supports. Here are three opportunities to give practical help:

### 1. Support the Glass Door Sleep Out

Friday 6 October 2017, Duke of York Square, Chelsea. Join the Sleep Out, or make a donation. The aim is to raise £200,000 to run the shelters, and help provide caseworker support for another year. See: [www.glassdoor.org.uk/sleepout.htm](http://www.glassdoor.org.uk/sleepout.htm)

**2. Volunteer** at the Glass Door Shelter hosted by the Methodist Church. For one Saturday in four, help to prepare, cook, serve and then share a hot meal with about 35 guests from 6 - 9.45pm. To volunteer, or for more information, contact: [miagibbons@gmail.com](mailto:miagibbons@gmail.com)

**3. GlassDoor** are recruiting a **full-time admin officer**, £20-25,000, for one year (with possible extension) working at Chelsea Methodist Church. Info at [www.glassdoor.org.uk/jobs/htm](http://www.glassdoor.org.uk/jobs/htm)

### FiSH vacancy for paid driver:

Would you like to drive a modern accessible minibus (15 seater)? FiSH is looking to employ a paid driver for 3 days per week to collect and deliver clients from their home to the Barnes Green Day Centre, take them on shopping trips and help with regular outings. Salary £11,532 per annum. Driving licence with D1 category essential. MIDAS training will be given by Richmond & Kingston Accessible Transport in New Malden. Please contact Deborah Carter at [bus@fishhelp.org.uk](mailto:bus@fishhelp.org.uk) or on 020 8876 3765

### St Marys Senior Handbell Ringers:

are a small group that will starting meeting again in September one morning a fortnight, learning to make music and improving as time goes by. We need at least 6 to cover the notes and will be working towards a Handbell festival on October 7<sup>th</sup> nearby and ringing carols around Christmas. Reading music not essential but helpful. We need a few more and we do have fun!! Interested? From a recent new member *'The reason I enjoy it so much is firstly to partake in all your company and laughter. Secondly for the sincere and focused determination to raise our musical game.'* Please contact Sue Adams 020 8748 6547 or [sue.adams@btinternet.com](mailto:sue.adams@btinternet.com)

### Save the Date

**Sunday 17th September at 7.30pm:**

Gyles Brandreth and Richard Harries debate "What really is happiness?"



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