

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

Lord we pray for the power to be gentle,
the strength to be forgiving,
the patience to be understanding and the endurance to accept
the consequences of holding to what we believe to be right.
Amen.

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 26th August

8am Holy Communion BCP
10am Parish Eucharist

President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell
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Preacher: Geoffrey Barnett
NO EVENSONGS DURING AUGUST

Collect for 26th August

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading: Ephesians 6 vv10-20 **Gospel:** John 6 vv56-69 **10am hymns:** 663, 324, 294, 780

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



St Mary's Church, Barnes



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Special Prayers:

St Mary's outward giving projects: St Mary's Barnes charities

The sick, including Anne White, Shelagh Mitchell

Anniversaries of death: Vic Nolan; Michael Hill; Angie Forster; Lucy Cooper

This week

Mon to Fri	9.05am	Morning Prayer in the Langton Chapel
Mondays	2.30pm	Sewing group (contact Rosie on 8876 5338)
Thurs 30 th Aug	11.15am	Quiet Time
	12 noon	Holy Communion (BCP): Rev'd Richard Sewell
Sat 1 st Sept	10.30am	Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room in aid of the Royal British Legion
Sun 2 nd Sept	8am	Holy Communion BCP: President & preacher: Sister Margaret Anne
14th Sunday	10am	Parish Eucharist: President & preacher: Rev'd Judith Roberts
after Trinity	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.

St Mary's charities

One of our duties as a congregation must be to look outward to the needs of the world. One way to do this is to support the work of charities; and St Mary's has identified a small range of organisations with which we have a close association. We are asked to pray for them, those they benefit and the staff who lead the work. We are encouraged to volunteer our time in support of one or more of them. And we can offer our financial support for their work. It would be a sign of our commitment to bring the church in the world if each of us had a particular link with one or more of our charities. Our charities are:

Age UK Richmond's Barnes Green Centre, Castelnau Community Centre, Christian Aid, Christian Solidarity Worldwide, FiSH, Glass Door, Matabeleland Link, Richmond Welcare, and Under Tree Schools.

Which do you support?

To help us focus on our charities through the year we have a "champion" in the congregation for each charity. The champion is a link with the charity and keeps us up to date with its work and needs. From time to time these champions retire and we need new ones.

We need a new champion at the moment for the FiSH charity. Could you volunteer to take that role?

And the Castelnau Centre urgently needs a new chair of trustees. Can we help find the right person?

There is now a summary of the work of St Mary's charities, and how we can help, in a folder at the back of church. Do take a look at it - is it helpful?

Do speak to Peter Boyling if you could join our group of champions or if you could help us to strengthen our work with these charities.

Dear all,

As I'm sure you are all aware by now, Richard's final services at St Mary's Barnes will be on 16th September 2018. The official farewell service will be at 6pm. We would like to give him a farewell present from the congregation and have started a collection. We also have a book for people to sign and write messages in. Please give any donations to Phil Bladen or Fouki Heller over the next few weeks or take them in to the church office and do look out for the book which will be placed at the back of the church after services.

Phil Bladen & Fouki Heller, Churchwardens

Unbroken:

A Mental Health Awareness Festival Friday 31st Aug - Sunday 2nd Sept

All events in 2018 will take place at the OSO Arts Centre. As well as the Short Film Prize, the art exhibitions, live music, new writing, original choreography, and panel discussions that were such a hit last year, the 2018 programme will also feature several new events, longer plays and practical workshops. The full programme can be seen on www.ticketsource.co.uk/shadowroad

Do support our local director, Emma King-Farlow, who is running this Festival, and will later this year be staging the Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe production at St Mary's Barnes.

Saturday Coffee Morning Vacancy

We need a replacement 'barista' to run the Saturday Coffee Shop on Saturday September 29th, 10.15-12.15pm. This is a great opportunity to raise funds for your favourite charity. If you can help, please contact Claire (who will be able to give you advice) on 020 8878 3775 or email claire.boyling@gmail.com

Invitation to farewell service: All are invited to the farewell service for Rev'd Richard Sewell, Team Rector of Barnes, on Sunday 16th September at 6pm at St Mary's Church. Richard is leaving to take on the role of Dean of St George's College, Jerusalem, from 1st October. The post also involves being installed as a residentiary canon of St George's Cathedral. The Bishop of Kingston will preach at the service on 16th September and he will also commission Richard in his new role on behalf of the Church of England. The service will be followed by a reception in Kitson Hall and all are welcome. **We would appreciate it if everyone could bring a contribution of savoury finger food as we shall be entertaining many visitors as well as our own congregation. We do need some idea of numbers and contributions so please complete the sign-up sheet at the back of church.**

Many thanks. Fouki and Claire

Save the Dates for Friends events:

Sunday 7 October: Friends Choral Evensong with Rt Rev Dame Sarah Mullaly, Bishop of London

Wednesday 10, Thursday 11 October:

Barnes Charity Fashion Show - tickets on sale from 1st September, www.barnescharityfashionshow.com

Thursday 8 November: Richard Harries book launch

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