ST MARY'S BARNES

28th January 2018 Candlemas

⊕ 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.

Southwark Diocese Prayer for Epiphanytide

Loving God, in this season of gifts, we celebrate the many signs of your glory made known in your world. We rejoice in your transforming presence in every community in our Diocese. Fill our hearts with your generous love and send us out to serve you with joy. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Today we welcome our Bishop, Rt Rev'd Richard Cheetham, who will celebrate with us at this special service for the Feast of Candlemas and to bless our 800th Anniversary memorial window. We are also celebrating the refurbishment of all the church lighting which has so successfully improved the visibility within and enhanced the appearance of our church.

Services on 28th January

8	Bam	Holy Communion BCP	President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell
	0am	Parish Eucharist	President & preacher: Bishop Richard Cheetham
e	Spm	Evensong	Officiant: Geoffrey Barnett

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 28th January

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord.

First Reading: Malachi 3 vv1-5	If you have, or know of anyone who has a	
Gospel: Luke 2 vv22-40	pastoral concern, please let one of the clergy	
10am hymns: 2, 721, 42	or Fiona Barnett know.	

Special Prayers:

St Mary's outward giving projects: Glass Door, the homeless charity The sick, including Alastair Mackie, Carole Stratton Those who have died: Helen Hoy; Alexander Amartey; Lucy Thompson; Peter Pitman Anniversaries of death: Ruby Elner; Joseph Keily; Thomas Read; Andrew Darke; Harold Mills

This week		
Mon to Wed	9.05am	Morning Prayer
Mondays	2.30pm	Sewing group (contact Rosie on 8876 5338)
Thurs I st Feb	II.I5am	Quiet Time
	12 noon	Holy Communion (BCP): President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell
Sat 3 rd Feb	10.30am	Coffee Shop at the back of church – free, courtesy of Barnes Charity Ball
Sun 4th Feb	8am	Holy Communion BCP: President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell
Second	10am	Parish Eucharist: President: Rev'd Richard Sewell
Sunday		Preacher: Bishop Richard Harries
before Lent	11.30am	Informal Service with baptisms: Officiant: Rev'd Richard Sewell
	6 pm	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 – <u>this MUST be completed</u> in ink to be valid.

Charity for January 2018

Our Charity of the Month for January is Glass Door. Sadly, homelessness in London is increasing. For the homeless, January is an especially bitter month. Glass Door is London's biggest night shelter. It provides up to 100 bed spaces per night during the winter months, including in Barnes, and day-time services including laundry, clothing and washing facilities, advice and practical support. Do give or volunteer if you can. *www.glassdoor.org.uk*

Lost Property accumulated over the last year is on display at the back of the church. Please reclaim your items by Monday 29th January.

Calling all sixth formers

If you can sing, you could earn money with your talent by applying for a Choral Scholarship at St Marys! Ability to sight-read not essential, but helpful. Many past scholars have gone on to gain choral scholarships at Oxbridge. Please get in touch with the Director of Music now at: music@stmarybarnes.org

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.

Exploring the Way The home group will resume after the Christmas break on Tuesday 16th January 7.30pm at 20 Berkeley Road. If you would like to join the group or come along and see what it's all about ring Christabel Gairdner 8748 1218 of Lucy Hine 8748 4852. All are welcome.

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

Women's World Day of Prayer

Friday 2nd March 2018

2pm Service at Sheen Baptist Church, Temple Sheen Road in Sheen. Parking difficult, buses 33, 337 & 493 to 'Temple Sheen Road Bus Stop' Refreshments afterwards

Good Friday: March 30th: Christians from different churches in Richmond are staging an open-air Passion Play on the river front from 12-2pm. Would you like to take part: as a singer, actor or in the production team? Just ordinary people portraying an extraordinary event. No experience needed! More info

at https://www.facebook.com/pg/thepassionrichmond Rehearsals each Friday evening start February. Email Peter if you'd like to join in: pjflower@btinternet.com **Bishop Richard and Revd Richard** would like to commend to all members of the congregation *The Church Times* weekly newspaper. It is a high-quality publication with interesting news from across the Church of England and beyond but also contains interesting longer articles exploring faith and contemporary issues in church and society. There are also arts, film, tv and book features. Recent copies will be left in church for perusal. To purchase copies a regular order has to be made through a newsagent or subscription offers are available.

Our insurers, Ecclesiastical Insurance, are offering a donation of £130 for any member of our congregation who takes out home insurance with them during 2018. Whilst we cannot properly give a recommendation of any insurer, St Mary' has had policies with Ecclesiastical over many years and they have settled the several claims we have had fully and promptly. Please contact Patrick Findlater on 020 8876 5338 if you would like to participate and obtain a quote from Ecclesiastical.



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

Spring Calendar: is now available at the back of

church and on our website.

St Michael's Quiz Night on Saturday 3rd February 7 for 7.30pm in church, teams of up to 8 people £15 per person includes fish & chip supper Cash bar Booking forms available from church office or on www.stmichaelbarnes.org Raising funds for St Michael's and other nominated charities

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