

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, before ever you made us, you loved us. Nor has your love ever slackened, nor ever shall. In love all your works have begun, and in love they continue. In this love our life is everlasting, and in this love we shall see you and be glad forever. Amen.

(Julian of Norwich)

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 29th April

8am	Holy Communion BCP	President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell
8.45am	Parish Breakfast	In the Melvill Room
10am	Parish Eucharist	President: Bishop Richard Harries
		Preacher: Geoffrey Barnett
6pm	Evensong	Officiant: Martin Calderbank

Collect for 29th April

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord. Amen

First Reading: Acts 8 vv26-end **Gospel:** John 15 vv1-8 **10am hymns:** 194, 212, 471, 510

Special Prayers:

St Mary's outward giving projects: Christian Solidarity Worldwide

The sick, including Alastair Mackie, Anne White, Shelagh Mitchell

Those who have died: Elizabeth Casson, Jill Chandler, Gerda Griffin

Anniversaries of death: Mhairi Kent; Vida Hastings; Paul Brummitt; Jacqui Foster; Shirley Neville

This week

Mon to Fri	9.05am	Morning Prayer
Mondays	2.30pm	Sewing group (contact Rosie on 8876 5338)
Thurs 3 rd May	11.15am	Quiet Time
	12 noon	Holy Communion (BCP): Sister Margaret Anne
Sat 5 th May	10.30am	Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room in aid of Save the Children
Sun 6 th May	8am	Holy Communion BCP: President & preacher: Bishop Richard Harries
Sixth Sunday of Easter	10am	Parish Eucharist: President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell
	6pm	Evensong: Officiant: Christabel Gairdner

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



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This month's Charity: Christian Solidarity Worldwide

For more than 30 years Christian Solidarity Worldwide has mobilized people all over the world to call for religious freedom. They hold governments to account. They prevent torture and stop executions. They demand justice for those being punished for their faith – from pastors in prison to children excluded from education to young women who are abducted and forced to convert and marry.

They ask that people pray and write letters and cards to those who are in prison, under house arrest or being persecuted for their faith by using their Connect and Encourage booklet. The people they help consistently report that messages from CSW supporters keep them going in times of trial.

Barnes Team Ministry Prayer Walk on

Saturday May 5th: Begins at 10am at Holy Trinity Church and will finish at 11.45 at St Michael's. A chance to pray together for our community as part of the Church's Thy Kingdom Come initiative.

Elizabeth Casson: Elizabeth's funeral will be held at 9.30am on Monday 14th May 2018 at Mortlake Crematorium. Everyone is welcome.

GDPR – please give us your consent!

Everyone who is on our current database should by now have received an email/letter, asking for agreement that St Mary's can continue to store their contact details. We can then still send information about events and services. If you haven't yet replied (or you can't remember seeing the letter/email), you can either email feedback@stmarybarnes.org or complete a form at the back of church. The same applies if you would like to join our circulation list. The new data protection law comes into effect on 25 May 2018. If we have not heard from you by then, we will no longer be able to keep you up to date. Full details can be found on www.stmarybarnes.org/gdpr or in printed form at the back of church. Do ask Judy if you're confused! Judy Gowing, Data Protection Officer judygowing@gmail.com

A Celebration of Shadows:

Sat 26th May 7.45pm

In order to begin fundraising for the production of *The Lion, The Witch & The Wardrobe* they are due to stage at St Mary's in October, local theatre company Shadow Road (www.shadowroad.com) are holding a special, one-off performance on May 26th at 7.45pm. Join Director Emma King-Farlow, Musical Director Josh Gordon, and their talented cast for an entertaining evening of songs from the musicals, readings, and scenes from Shakespeare, Shadow Road's original work, and elsewhere. All pieces focus on theatre & creativity, childhood & children's literature, soldiers & the military, or mental health: the company's four main areas of interest in recent years. They hope you will laugh and cry, be both moved and amused - and unafraid to sing along if the moment calls for it! Tickets cost £12 and are available online at www.ticketsource.co.uk/shadowroad or in person from the church office between 10am-12 noon and 2-4pm every weekday. (Please note: one of the military pieces features some strong language.)

Exploring the Way

The home group *Exploring the Way* will be meeting again on Tuesday evening 1st May at 20 Berkeley Road, and on subsequent Tuesday evenings 8, 15, 22, 29 May and 5 June. We will be looking at the Gospel of Luke.

All evenings commence at 7.30pm. New members are always very welcome and if you would like to hear more please contact either Christabel Gairdner on 8748 1218 or Lucy Hine on 8748 4852.

Barnes Children's Literature Festival Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th May 2018

The festival is growing in size and stature each year. St Mary's Barnes and Kitson Hall are both being used this year along with other local venues. Please see the full listing and buy tickets on

www.barneskidslitfest.org

Below is a summary of the events at our venues:

Saturday 12th – St Mary's Barnes

10.30am to 11.30am – Judith Kerr & John Burningham

12.30pm to 1.30pm – Frances Hardinge

2.30pm to 3.30pm – Emma Chichester Clark

4.30 to 5.30pm – Peter Snow & Ann MacMillan

Saturday 12th – Kitson Hall

10am to 4.15pm RAD Matilda Music Theatre Workshops for a variety of age groups – all sold out now!

5pm to 6pm – Charlie Higson & Steve Jackson

7.30pm to 8.30pm – Dion & Gobi

Sunday 13th May – St Mary's Barnes

2.30pm to 3.30pm – Family concert with Professor

Professor Adam Ockelford & Derek Paravicin

Sunday 13th May – Kitson Hall

10am to 11am – *The Twits* performed by John Kirk

12pm to 1pm – Jonathan Meres

2pm to 3pm – Mr Shahas Recipes for Wonder

4pm to 5pm – Ross Montgomery

CTiB Pentecost Banquet 2nd June 2018

11.45am to 3pm, lunch at 12.15pm

Holy Trinity Church Hall

for the mature and housebound members of our Barnes community. If you or anyone you know would like to come please let us know.

Help needed: drivers to collect guests and return them home; meeters and greeters to assist guests out of /into cars; kitchen helpers, to boil potatoes, wash up etc; lunch servers and waiters; help to tidy the Hall.

For more information please

contact: miagibbons@gmail.com or on 8748 2360

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