

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

Creator God, give us a heart for simple things;
love and laughter, stories and dreams.

Fill our lives with green and growing hope.

Make us a people of justice,
whose song is alleluia and whose name breathes love. 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 2nd September

8am	Holy Communion BCP	President & preacher: Sister Margaret Anne
10am	Parish Eucharist	President & preacher: Rev'd Judith Roberts
6pm	Evensong	Officiant: Geoffrey Barnett

Collect for 2nd 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: James 1 vv17-end **Gospel:** Mark 7 vv1-8, 14, 15, 21-23

10am hymns: 748, 602, 132, 790

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: Zimbabwe Link

The sick, including Anne White, Shelagh Mitchell

Anniversaries of death: Edna Ward; Althea Palin; Shane Saxon

This week

Mon to Fri	9.05am	Morning Prayer in the Langton Chapel
Mondays	2.30pm	Sewing group (contact Rosie on 8876 5338)
Thurs 6 th Sept	11.15am	Quiet Time
	12 noon	Holy Communion (BCP): Rev'd Richard Sewell
Sat 8 th Sept	10.30am	Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room
Sun 9 th Sept	8am	Holy Communion BCP: President & preacher: Sister Margaret Anne
15th Sunday after Trinity	10am	Parish Eucharist: President: Sister Margaret Anne Preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell
	11.30am	Informal Service with baptisms: Officiant: Rev'd Richard Sewell
	6pm	Evensong: Officiant: Christabel Gairdner

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.

Zimbabwe Link

The Kingston Area of our Diocese is linked with the Diocese of Matabeleland in Zimbabwe. The Diocese was founded in 1953 but the Anglican Church in the region was first founded in Southern Rhodesia in 1891. In Matabeleland there are 35 churches covering a vast swathe of land from the city of Bulawayo in the south to Victoria Falls in the north west of the country. In addition to churches, the diocese has five schools which are important missional resources and play a key part in the life of the Diocese. The Diocese faces all the same sorts of challenges that the whole country faces: the effects of poverty and political turmoil. The removal of Robert Mugabe and the election of President Mnangagwa has yet to provide signs of any improvement in opportunities for Zimbabweans. Our Link with the Diocese is a sign to the Anglicans there that they are not forgotten. Our friendship and support enable the Diocese to continue its mission and ministry as it proclaims Gospel Good News amid many difficulties.

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 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.**

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

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

The Glass Door Sleep out is taking place this year on 5th October from 9.30pm- 6am at the Duke of York Square, King's Road, London. If you would like to help raise funds for this vital charity for the homeless by sleeping outdoors for one night, then for more information please see: www.glassdoor.org.uk/Event/sleepout-2018 or email info@glassdoor.org.uk

Talks in St Osmund's Church Hall:

Thursday 4th October 7.30 for 8pm
Bishop Crispin Hollis will speak and answer questions on the topic of Pope Francis and the current state of the Catholic Church.

St Osmund's Talks cont'd:

Thursday 18th October 7.30 for 8pm

A Conversation on the Song of Songs, with Bishop Richard Harries, Prof Peter Tyler and Sr. Mairead Quigley RSCJ joining author Dr Stefan Reynolds to discuss his book '*The Wisdom of Love in the Song of Song of Songs*'.

Christmas with a difference!

Can you make some room for an international student to learn what true British festive hospitality can mean? Should you like to add that international element to your Christmas, learning another countries' traditions and enjoying the connection and friendship that such sharing brings?

HOST UK arranges for international students to enjoy brief homestays with UK hosts, one day, a weekend or, over the festive period a three-day visit. We need more hosts so that smiles can spread across many more faces...and across our fragile world.

If you should like to know more, please go to our website www.hostuk.org or leave us a message on <http://visits.hostuk.org/Public/ApplyToBecomeAHost>

Save the Dates for Friends events:

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

Barnes Charity Fashion Show 10th & 11th October - tickets now on sale

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. After the show, join us at the after-party in Kitson Hall for a free glass of prosecco and to see the collections up close. Music, fashion and fizz make for a great night out and all in aid of local charities.

Tickets are available in person from Knight Frank, 56 Barnes High Street (no booking fee) or online at barnescharityfashionshow.com with booking fee.

Thursday 8 November: Richard Harries book launch

Saturday 29 September: Screening of *London Symphony* silent film with piano accompaniment (part of Barnes Film Festival)

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