

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

For the promise of harvest contained within a seed, we thank you.
For the oak tree within an acorn.
The bread within a grain.
The apple within a pip.
The mystery of nature, gift wrapped for us to sow, we thank you.

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 30th September

8am	Holy Communion BCP	President & preacher: Bishop Richard Harries
8.45am	Parish Breakfast	In the Melvill Room
10am	Harvest Festival Parish Eucharist	President: Sister Margaret Anne Preacher: Hayley Argles-Grant
6pm	NO EVENSONG AT ST MARY'S Choral Evensong & Benediction for the feast of St Michael's	Guest Preacher; The Very Rev'd Dr John Hall, Dean of Westminster. The service is followed by a drinks reception

Collect for 30th September

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gospel: Matthew 6.25-33 **10am hymns:** 819, 629, 628, 604

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

Special Prayers:

The sick, including Anne White, Shelagh Mitchell, Dorothea Jackson

Those who have recently died: Robert Ward-Jones, John West

Anniversaries of death: Owen Russell; Rene Van-Kuijk; Christine Yandle

This week

Mon to Fri	9.05am	Morning Prayer in the Langton Chapel
Mondays	2.30pm	Sewing group (contact Rosie on 8876 5338)
Thurs 4 th Oct	11.15am	Quiet Time
	12 noon	Holy Communion (BCP): Sister Margaret Anne
Sat 6 th Oct	10.30am	Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room
Sun 7 th Oct	8am	Holy Communion BCP: President & preacher: Sister Margaret Anne
19th Sunday	10am	Parish Eucharist: President & preacher: Canon John Kiddle
after Trinity	11.30am	Informal Service with baptisms: Officiant: Canon John Kiddle
	6pm	Friends Choral Evensong: Officiant: Rev'd Stephen Stavrou Preacher: Rt Rev'd Dame Sarah Mullally, Bishop of London

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When will we get a successor to Richard?

The short answer is next summer. Meanwhile services will continue much as normal (except there will be no informal services except for baptism services on Sundays at 11.30am). Clergy to take services have been determined up to Christmas. The churchwardens are in charge of the church, and the PCC will continue as normal. The appointment process requires us to produce a Parish Profile to define what sort of Rector we seek. All the congregation are asked to help set our priorities, and there will be a meeting after the 10am service on 14th October for everyone to give their views. Clergy tend to look for new appointments in the New Year, so we will advertise in mid-January and interview in mid-March. Representatives of the diocese and the Barnes Team will join us for the interviews. Then the chosen candidate will need to give three months' notice to their present post – and then move to us at a convenient time for them. Ask the wardens for more details if you need them. But come along on 14th October please. Meanwhile St Mary's needs your help to ensure we keep the church moving forward. It is a time of challenge but also opportunity to use our God given abilities in the church and the community.

REST IN PEACE from St Michael & All Angels

We are very sorry to share with you the sad news that John West, until recently our Assistant Organist, died at his home earlier week. Although John had moved out of London, he had kindly said he would play for us occasionally and was due to be with us this weekend for our patronal festival. Our services this weekend will be dedicated in John's memory, and we will offer our prayers for him at both Mass and Evensong. Please do join us as we celebrate our patronal and give thanks for John's ministry of music here at St Michael's. We were collecting towards a further gift for John, to that end, it is still possible to contribute if you were planning to. We are in touch with his family and will let you know any details about a funeral or memorial service when we know them. *Rest eternal grant unto him O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.*

A message from Richard & JulieAnn

We would like to express our deep gratitude to everyone for the most amazing farewells 16th Sept. The services and the reception were so moving for us (and Nathaniel and Eliana) and really showed off the best of St Mary's. Also, we appreciate very much indeed the wonderful gifts that we received and for everyone's generosity. There were also numerous individual cards, messages and gifts given to us personally. Sadly, we won't be able to express our thanks to all these except in these general terms. The large cheque we received means that we will be able to find some interesting local items to make the 'Deanery' in St George's more homely than it is currently. Please do stay in touch and the best email to use is dean@sgcjerusalem.org and visit the College's website to find out more about our mission: www.saintgeorgescollegejerusalem.com

Harvest Lunch is here!

Today we shall be celebrating Harvest with a come-and-eat lunch in Kitson Hall. All will be welcome in the Hall following the morning services for those who don't wish to travel home and back again. There will be a pretzel making workshop for children. The Ark Nursery have provided the banner for the lovely Harvest Display arranged by our flower arrangers.

The Autumn Calendar of events is now available at the back of church.

Have you got your tickets to The Lion, The Witch & The Wardrobe yet?

To commemorate the 120th anniversary of author C.S. Lewis' birth this year, local theatre company Shadow Road are staging a special production of his enchanting children's classic and Christian allegory at St Mary's from Monday 29th October – Saturday 3rd November 2018. This magical play will be directed by Shadow Road's Artistic Director, Emma King-Farlow and the week-long run will be accompanied by a free pre-show talk, delivered by Bishop Richard Harries on Friday 2nd November. Tickets are available online at www.ticketsource.co.uk/shadowroad or in person from the church office between 10am-12pm or 2pm-4pm on weekdays. Should you wish to, you can also make a contribution towards production costs at www.gofundme.com/LWWBarnes2018, which would be most gratefully received!

Church Scrapbook: Jo Teverson has taken over responsibility for keeping the church scrapbook up to date. Please would anyone with news, articles or photos suitable for inclusion in the scrapbook send them to joanna.teverson@yahoo.co.uk or leave them in the Church office. Anything from Jan 2017 onwards. We are all very grateful to Maisie Brown for compiling the scrapbooks so beautifully over many years.

Friends Choral Evensong 7 October 6pm

We are delighted to welcome the new Bishop of London Rt Revd Dame Sarah Mullaly as our guest preacher. She is the most senior woman in the Church of England and is focusing on creating new relationships in London, nationally and internationally. Fine choral music will be performed by the St Mary's Choir and the service is followed by a reception to which all are welcome.

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

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

Spare Shed Space: The Bike Sale Team is looking for a shed (or similar) to store second-hand bikes. If you have a lonely space that would like some company, please contact Judy Gowing judygowing@gmail.com

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