

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

God of righteousness and truth, grant to our Queen,
the Government and all in positions of responsibility the guidance of your Holy Spirit.
May they never lead the nation wrongly through love of power, desire to please or
unworthy ideals, but laying aside all private interests and prejudices,
keep in mind their responsibility to improve the condition of all humanity;
so may your kingdom come and your name be hallowed. Amen.
(The House of Commons Prayer)

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 3rd March

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

Collect for 3rd March

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading: Exodus 34 vv29-end **Gospel:** Luke 9 vv28-36 **10am hymns:** 610, 281, 676, 775

If you have, or know of anyone who has a pastoral concern, please let Fiona Barnett know.
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Special Prayers:

The sick, including Anne White, Philip Mitchell, Sylvia Howell, Barbara Bryant, Anthony Breene

Those who have recently died:

Bob & Jean Glover, Michael Kimber, Christine Percival, Lesley Lorimer, David Allen; Arthur Sisson

Anniversaries of death: Eileen Chantry; Ronald Stanford; Gerald Ball

This week

Mon to Wed	9.05am	Morning Prayer in the Langton Chapel
Mondays	2.30pm	Sewing group (contact Rosie on 8876 5338)
Wed 6 th March	8pm	Ash Wednesday Service with choir singing parts of Faure Requiem: President & preacher: Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne
Thurs 7 th March	11.15am	Quiet Time
	12 noon	Holy Communion (BCP): President & preacher: Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne
Sat 9 th March	10.30am	Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room
Sun 10 th March	8am	Holy Communion BCP: President & preacher: Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne
First Sunday of Lent	10am	Parish Eucharist: President & preacher: Bishop Richard Harries
	6pm	Evensong: Officiant: Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne

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A SMALL STEP TO PROMOTE ST MARY'S MISSION IN BARNES

St Mary's, like the rest of the church, has a mission in Barnes. Among other things we do this by giving info to our parishioners. So, we help deliver CTiB Christmas cards, and at other times of the year we circulate important information about the church. When we have a new Rector we would like to tell everyone. To do this we need a system to drop letters into letter boxes. We have no arrangements at present except to leave piles of material at the back of church and ask for volunteers.

Some people offer, but a lot is left undelivered. This is sad.

Can we do better? Can we do what the BCA has done for decades, and have a volunteer for each road who will undertake to arrange future drops there? Long roads would have several volunteers who divide up the road between them. Can we all offer to take on a road, please? This is something that most of us can do, but it will work best if most of us do volunteer.

There is a list of the roads in our parish at the back of church. Please sign up to say that you are happy to do your bit. It would only be a few times a year at most.

Many thanks, Phil & Fouki, the churchwardens

Church Electoral Roll: Every six years the Church Electoral Roll must be updated. This means that everyone who considers themselves a member of St Mary's Barnes needs to complete a simple form within the next few weeks. There are forms at the back of church. Please take a couple of minutes to fill it in and leave it in the box as you leave. Completing the form carries with it no duty or obligation. It simply is a statement that you are a proud member of the congregation.

Ash Wednesday: Do come and start Lent with us at a special Ash Wednesday Communion service with Imposition of Ashes. The choir will sing movements from Faure's Requiem. The service, on 6th March, is at 8pm.

Lent Group at 2 Mill Hill Road, SW13

We shall read Jane Williams' new book, *The Merciful Humility of God*, on Thursday mornings 10.30am to 12 noon starting on 7th March.

All welcome, for more information, ring Geoffrey or Fiona Barnett on 8878 6975

Arthur Sisson, formerly of 10 Castelnau, Barnes for 30 years sadly died early in February. He moved to Salisbury 7 years ago to be nearer to us, his family, so we could help care for him. He was a churchwarden at St Mary's for many years, and we as a family all remember services there. He loved Barnes and St Mary's. His funeral is on Thursday 7th March at St Thomas Church in Salisbury. With Best Wishes Snowy Jackman (his daughter). 07972 865450

CTiB Lent Talk Thurs 14th March, 7.30 for 8pm, Chris Patten, St Osmund's Church Hall

Lord Patten is a member of the House of Lords, formerly an MP (Cons) who held Ministerial Office and other significant posts including Governor of Hong Kong and Chairman of the BBC. Lately he has been assisting the Vatican in improving their Communications and Media. He is currently Chancellor of Oxford University. Lord Patten will speak on 'My Life, My Faith'.

Charity Bike Sale 2019

We are looking for someone to join the team running the Bike Sale on Barnes Fair Day (13th July). Specifically, we need someone to help us promote the sale and get as many bikes and buyers as possible. For more info, contact Judy Gowing judygowing@gmail.com 07703 312913

Church layout: for the next two Sundays (10 March and 17 March), the church layout will be in concert setting whilst the Barnes Music Festival is taking place.

This will mean a change to the way the 10am Holy Communion service proceeds, especially the taking of communion, and it will all be explained at the beginning of each service. There will also be a new photographic exhibition mounted at the back of the church.



Just one week to go to the start of the **Barnes Music Festival** with the Opening Concert next Saturday 9 March featuring rising star violinist **Fenella Humphreys** and the choirs of **St Paul's School** and **St Paul's Girls School**.

Then on Sunday 10 March at 3pm we welcome the **Barnes Concert Band** for a relaxed Sunday afternoon concert with free tea and cakes afterwards.

On Monday 11 March virtuoso horn-player **Chris Larkin** demonstrates the history of the horn from Roman Times to the present day and at lunchtime on Wednesday 13 March **Henry Chandler** plays the incredibly difficult Beethoven Kreutzer Violin Sonata. Friday 15 March sees the renowned **Tiffin Boys' Choir** return to St Mary's with maestro **Edward Higginbottom** for Bach St John Passion and Saturday 16 March sees the first-ever staging of an opera in St Mary's with Britten **Turn of the Screw**. On Sunday 17 March there is still the chance to sign up for the special **Come & Sing Invictus** with Barnes composer Howard Goodall.

Tickets for most events are still available so please go to **Chestertons** offices in Barnes or to www.barnesmusicfestival.com

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