

Welcome to St Mary's. We are delighted that church services resume this Sunday. In line with government regulations relating to Covid-19 numbers are limited, however to do our best to enable all who wish to worship to do so, there will be an extra Parish Eucharist at 11.30am until we have a better idea of numbers and/or if regulations change. Please do not attend if you are experiencing any symptoms. We will continue to put services [online](#) for those unable to come to church.

Full details of our plans for services can be found [here](#).  
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### A prayer for the week

O Lord, you have searched me out and known me;  
you know my sitting down and my rising up;  
you discern my thoughts from afar.  
You mark out my journeys and my resting place  
and are acquainted with all my ways.  
Amen.

The following online services are all available on our YouTube channel, which can be found by searching for St Mary's Church Barnes in the YouTube search box or by using the web address shown here: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCY7CTNI9G7WPXJ15FFPyWI4Q>

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am & 11.30am Parish Eucharist: led by Rev'd James Hutchings  
First Reading – Louise Calderbank Intercessions – Fiona Barnett  
6pm Evensong led by Geoffrey Barnett

The online Sunday Club will again be at 11am via Zoom

### Collect for 5<sup>th</sup> July

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake.

**First Reading:** Romans 7.15-25a

**Gospel:** Matthew 11.16-19,25-30

### Special Prayers: [Age UK Richmond](#)

**The sick**, including Isabelle, Jackie Northen, William McGowan, Jane Thomas, Irene May Wilson, Anne White, Monty & Maisie Brown

**Anniversaries of death:** Thomas Clayson, Tom Clift, Iris Goldsmith, Christopher Rowe, Ronald Williams, Norman Moore

**Those who have died:** Ken Jenkins, Janet Skilbeck

**Welcome back!** As restrictions ease I am pleased that our employees who have been furloughed are able to return for some of their hours in July. Jackie and Julie will be working a small number of hours as they plan ahead for services and activities with children, young people and families. Although choir and congregation singing is not yet permitted, Henry will be back to accompany us for the Parish Eucharist. And Cheryl will resume some of her hours administering bookings at Kitson Hall. We will continue to keep hours under review as things change.

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## **CHURCH SERVICES RESUME AND WE ARE ALSO OPEN FOR PRAYER & REFLECTION**

The church is now open daily for private prayer and reflection, usually 9am-5pm, and it has been good to see people back in church. Everyone using the church will be asked to clean their hands with the sanitizer available at the entrance, when they arrive and depart. A face covering is not a requirement, although may be your preference. The church will be cleaned regularly. Please remember to social distance.

Morning Prayer 8.30am Monday-Friday in the Langton Chapel;  
and on [St Mary Barnes Facebook page](#) Monday-Thursday & Saturday

**Thursday 9th July** - 12 noon Holy Communion resumes (I am coffee time not currently possible)

A variety of services will continue to be available online on our [YouTube channel](#) and at the [St Mary Barnes Facebook page](#). Details of these and other activities can also be found on [www.stmarybarnes.org](http://www.stmarybarnes.org).

**Learning from the lockdown:** We are all hoping that good can come out of the many tragedies caused by the pandemic and lockdown. Reflection on this is happening across organisations, but I hope that as a parish church St Mary's can do this in a distinctive way among its congregation and wider parish community. It would be really good to hear from you about how the lockdown affected you in your particular context, and what you think could be done by St Mary's, the community in Barnes and wider society to build a better future.

Hearing how faith has impacted on this could be one element but there are no theological expectations! There are a couple of ways I am thinking about to do this. One is simply to record your response (10 minutes max) to this and we can then put this up on YouTube and the website for others to see. The other is to have a Zoom gathering in which I could ask you these questions, and others could then have a chance to contribute.

Eventually we may also be able to have these discussions face to face, but that seems some way off at the moment. To start with, please contact me if you would like to take part in either way - in no particular order and just as examples it would be great to hear from the perspective of the NHS and care sectors, education, any type of business and services, retail, hospitality, public services, the environment, home schooling, volunteering, the impact on being in isolation, lockdown with a large household or on your own. The starting point would be your story but stimulating a debate with wider views will also be good!

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**Weddings verger(s) needed!:** Our current verger Hilary Cooper is retiring from the role which she has done so well for several years. I am delighted that Karen Aldred has volunteered for the role. However it would still be good to hear from anyone else who would like to do verging from time to time at weddings or funerals (to assist Sian Walford). The verger welcomes the congregation on arrival, giving out orders of service and providing other practical information. Usually the verger also comes to the rehearsal a day or two before to meet the couple and so there is someone else other than the priest who is aware of any particular requirements. St Mary's has about 10 weddings a year, usually on a Saturday. This is an opportunity to be the friendly face of the church and to be able to join in the joy of the wedding day. There is a payment made to the verger for each wedding they attend.

Please let me know if you would be interested or like to know more. [revdjames@stmarybarnes.org](mailto:revdjames@stmarybarnes.org)

**Philippians Zoom group:** Philippians Zoom group continues on Monday 6th July at 2.30pm. If you missed last week but would like to take part, please contact Revd James and he can also give you a recording of last week's session. [revdjames@stmarybarnes.org](mailto:revdjames@stmarybarnes.org)

**Text Giving: To donate to support the maintenance and work of St Mary's, text STMARYBARNES to 70450, adding the amount you wish to give (i.e. to donate £5 text STMARYBARNES5/ for £10 text STMARYBARNES10 and so on).** Texts cost your donation plus one standard rate message and you'll be opting in to hear more about our work and fundraising via telephone and SMS. If you'd like to give but do not wish to receive marketing communications, text STMARYBARNESNOINFO to 70450 adding the amount as above (i.e. £5 STMARYBARNESNOINFO5).

**Bellringing:** Whilst no bellringing has been allowed during lockdown, the ringers have been continuing their practices from home. Using Zoom to communicate, they opened up a second programme called 'Ringing Room'. The programme was developed by two young ringers in America where there are only 48 bellringing towers in the whole country (compared to the UK where there are over 5,500 ringing towers) and ringers have to travel huge distances even to get to their own tower. Ringing Room enables 'virtual' bellringing, where 6 or 8 people can *meet* and ring an allocated bell in a tower using the keyboard. Even for experienced ringers this has proved challenging, but it gets easier every time and our newer ringers are progressing with their method learning. This will help enormously in the long term, but it is nothing like the joy of ringing the real St Mary's Bells! We will be back, but just don't know when.

These links have some good and straightforward reflections for prayer and action linked to this Sunday's gospel:  
[Roots on the web for Adults](#)      [Roots on the web for Children & Families](#)

**More tea Rector?** As lockdown eases somewhat, do let me know if you would like me to visit sometime. I can bring my own mug and flask and chair, and we could chat in a garden or through your window depending on your circumstances or have a socially distanced walk. Monday-Wednesday afternoons are usually available for me at the moment. [revdjames@stmarybarnes.org](mailto:revdjames@stmarybarnes.org)

**Pastoral Letter:** The four Bishops of Southwark Diocese have written a pastoral letter to all congregations, please do read it on the News page of our website [here](#).

**Church scrapbooks online:** One year per week at a time will be featured on the [History & Architecture](#) page on our website and on social media. This week we continue with 1988.

**For the love of scrubs:** I am supporting a local group of volunteers based in and around Putney and Barnes who are sewing to make up scrubs for local hospitals and care homes. We have two volunteers who are cutting the patterns ready and they really need any fabric or material that anyone can donate. There may be parishioners sorting out their linen cupboards or people spare rolls of fabric that they might offer or sell at cost for this worthy cause. The fabric would need to be washable at 60° so cotton or polycotton would be preferred. See the group on [Facebook](#) and they also have a [Giving](#) page should you wish to donate money. Sheila Treadaway 07711 284096 [sheilatreadaway@gmail.com](mailto:sheilatreadaway@gmail.com)

Barnes Cares is co-ordinated by the Barnes Community Association. [Barnes Cares](#)  
Richmond Council Community Hub: 0208 8716555 or [covid19support@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:covid19support@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk)  
[Richmond Foodbank](#) The Castelnau Centre, 7 Stillingfleet Road, Barnes SW13 9AQ accept donations from 9.15am-11.15am on Friday mornings. You can also leave donations in the box in church near the entrance.

**St Mary's charity of the month:** [AGE UK Richmond](#). Sadly, the charity had to shut down activities at our Barnes Green Centre during the Covid-19 lockdown but this allowed our partner and neighbourhood care group FiSH to take over the kitchen for a much needed food delivery service for our community. Our Twickenham Centre became the headquarters for distributing food and essentials to those in need across the other side of the Borough. With the amazing generosity of shops, suppliers, our dedicated staff and volunteers we were able to cater for many isolated people. We were also able to run most of our other services on line advising people on their Welfare Benefits, running our essential and respected Hospital from Home and enabling creative new projects on line to help the community during the long lockdown. We will give you more information about the future throughout the month. Inevitably this has meant a drop in our donations and grants so please consider supporting us through this difficult transition period from lockdown to an uncertain future for the charitable sector. Our grateful thanks go to our supporters and volunteers and resilient staff throughout the past three months.  
AGE UK Richmond, Parkway House, East Sheen, SW14 8LS Telephone: 0208 876 3625  
<https://www.ageuk.org.uk/richmonduponthames/>

St Mary's takes the safeguarding and care of children and vulnerable adults very seriously.  
Our **Parish Safeguarding Officers** are Elisabeth Munden and Natasha Mold. If you have any concerns about the safety or welfare of a child or vulnerable adults, they can be contacted via [safeguarding@stmarybarnes.org](mailto:safeguarding@stmarybarnes.org) or the Church Office on 0208 741 5422.