

**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

May Christ be born afresh into our hearts.  
May doors be flung open to welcome, bless and inspire.  
May new gifts be discovered, cherished and expressed.  
May love be nurtured, gently given and received.  
May bread and wine be always a sign of grace, forgiveness and redemption.  
In Jesus' name we pray.  
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 6<sup>th</sup> January

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

#### Collect for 6<sup>th</sup> January

O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face; 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 for ever.

**First Reading:** Ephesians 3 vv1-12    **Gospel:** Matthew 2 vv1-12    **10am hymns:** 96, 95, 94, 99

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, Cynthia Brown, Sylvia Howell, Christine Percival

**Those who have recently died:** Dorothea Jackson; Eve Kirby

**Anniversaries of death:** Grant Middleton, Basil Summers, Yvonne Pendrell, Maureen Mahler

#### This week

Mon to Fri	9.05am	Morning Prayer in the Langton Chapel
Mondays	2.30pm	Sewing group (contact Rosie on 8876 5338)
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan	11.15am	Quiet Time
	12 noon	Holy Communion (CW): President & preacher: Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne
Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10.30am	Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> Jan	8am	Holy Communion BCP: President & preacher: Rev'd Sister Margaret Anne
<b>Baptism</b>	10am	Parish Eucharist: President & preacher: Bishop Richard Cheetham
<b>of Christ</b>	6pm	Evensong: Officiant: Christabel Gairdner

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## Our charity this month: Glass Door

In January, our charity of the month is Glass Door. Glass Door provides supper and overnight shelter in the winter months for homeless people, including in Barnes, and year-round support at its HQ in Chelsea including showers, laundry, food, and advice about accommodation and employment. Winter is a harsh season for the homeless. Our contribution helps to make it a little less so. Thank you to all those who donated clothes and toiletries before Christmas. They are much appreciated.

There are leaflets about Glass Door at the back of church.

**Update:** As you know, Rev'd Richard Sewell is happily working in his new job as Dean of St George's College in Jerusalem. Some of you may have bumped into him over the Christmas period when he was in Barnes briefly. He will be installed as an Honorary Canon of Southwark Cathedral on 20th January at 3pm at the cathedral and the service will last between an hour and an hour and a half. We hope to see many of you there. Richard will not be free until shortly before 6pm but would love to meet up with anybody from St. Mary's then. Please let us know if you would like to stay around for a drink near the cathedral and we will suggest a suitable pub nearby once we have an idea of numbers. Fouki and Phil

**Bishop Richard Cheetham** will be presiding and preaching at the 10am service on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> January celebrating the Baptism of Christ.

### Glass Door Barnes Homeless Shelter

We are looking for volunteers to help serve breakfast to the homeless on Sunday mornings (5:45 - 7:00 am) during the winter at the Barnes Methodist Church. If you would like to help in this rewarding work, please contact Pip Danby: 020 8255 5605 danbypip@gmail.com

**Barnes Charity Ball "Arabian Nights"** on Friday 8th February 2019 tickets are now available. Spice up your new year with this magical evening, the highlight of the Barnes social calendar. See booking form at back of church or visit [www.jumblebee.co.uk/thearabiannightsball](http://www.jumblebee.co.uk/thearabiannightsball)

**Women's World Day of Prayer:** 4pm service at St Mary's Barnes on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019

**Barnes Music Festival 2019:** details of all events are now on the website [www.barnesmusicfestival.com](http://www.barnesmusicfestival.com) and tickets are on sale from 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019.

### CTiB Annual Service of Prayer for Christian Unity - Sunday 13th January at 4.00pm

St Osmund's will host the Annual Service of Prayer for Christian Unity. This Service of Prayers will be led by the Clergy of Barnes representing our Methodist, Baptist, Catholic, and three C of E Churches. The focus is praying together for Persecuted Christians. The preacher is Monsignor Nizar Semaan from the Syriac Church and he will speak from his own experience of the demise of the Christian presence in the Middle East, especially in Syria and Iraq and share stories of faith and courage. The Syriac Church is an Eastern Catholic Church and has many practices and rites in common with the Syriac Orthodox Church. Being one of the twenty three Eastern Catholic Churches, the Syriac Catholic Church has full autonomy and is a self-governing Church whilst remaining in full communion with the Pope. Mar Ignatius Joseph III Younan, who has been the Patriarch since 2009, has the title of Patriarch of Antioch and all the East of the Syriacs and resides in Beirut, Lebanon. It is interesting that each day session of the Second Vatican Council began with Mass and it was only 25 days later that the Mass was said in the form and Rite with which we are familiar in the West. Do put the date in your diary as this will be both interesting and an opportunity to pray for our suffering sisters and brothers.

### Barnes Young Musician of the Year 2019

Now in its third year, the Barnes Music Festival and Barnes Music Society are looking to award the title of Barnes Young Musician to a local instrumentalist or pianist. Closing date for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019 and the adjudication will be led by Paul McCreesh on the opening day of the Festival in March. Full details and application form can be found on the Barnes Music Festival website [www.barnesmusicfestival.com](http://www.barnesmusicfestival.com)



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