

6th May 2018 **Sixth Sunday of Easter**

To inspire hearts and minds to serve the mission of God

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 be in my head and in my understanding. God be in my eyes and in my looking. God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God in my heart and in my thinking. God be at my end and at my departing. (From the Sarum Book of Hours)

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 6th May

Holy Communion BCP 8am President & preacher: Bishop Richard Harries 10am Parish Eucharist President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell

Officiant: Christabel Gairdner 6_Dm Evensong

Collect for 6th May

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

First Reading: Acts 10 vv44-end Gospel: John 15 vv9-17 10am hymns: 238, 72, 454, 748

Special Prayers:

St Mary's outward giving projects: Christian Aid

The sick, including Alastair Mackie, Anne White, Shelagh Mitchell Those who have died: Elizabeth Casson, Jill Chandler, Gerda Griffin

Anniversaries of death: George Tapner; Dr George Brown; Moray Watson; Jean Campbell;

Brenda Moore: Theo Dreyfus

This week				
Mon to Fri	9.05am	Morning Prayer		
Mondays	2.30pm	Sewing group (contact Rosie on 8876 5338)		
Thurs 10 th May 11.15am		Quiet Time		
	12 noon	Holy Communion (CW): Rev'd Richard Sewell		
	8pm	Ascension Day Service: President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell		
Sat 12 th May	10.30am	Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room in aid of Christian Aid. This will be held in the churchyard garden if fine weather.		
Sun 13 th May	8am	Holy Communion BCP: President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell		
Seventh	I 0am	Parish Eucharist: President: Rev'd Richard Sewell		
Sunday		Preacher: Sophie Brightwell (Christian Aid)		
of Easter	11.30am	Garden of Remembrance Service: Officiant: Rev'd Richard Sewell		
	6pm	Evensong: Officiant: Christabel Gairdner		

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

This month's Charity: Christian Aid CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 13TH – 19TH MAY 2018

"Poverty is an outrage against humanity. It robs people of their dignity and lets injustice thrive. But together we have the power to transform lives." Christian Aid week gives us the opportunity to reach out to the poorest people in the world. This year the focus is on very basic hurricane-proof housing for families in Haiti. Go to caweek.org to read the stories of Vilia, Marcelin and Joscelyne. See how £60 can help provide a roof and £100 can help buy the building materials for local builders to erect a simple house. If you can help with the Christian Aid week collection in any way, please contact Celia Cleave at celiacleave3@gmail.com or on 02088760254.

We are about to introduce a new musical setting for our 10am Eucharist. Having enjoyed the current setting for about six years we are overdue a change. It will take a while to get used to it but we hope everyone enjoys the new setting which is 'Thorne'.

You can hear the new 'Thorne' setting at our **Ascension Day Service** on Thursday 10th May at 8pm. The choir will lead the service and everyone is welcome to attend what used to be a High Feast in the church's calendar and has now become a little marginal. Please support this service if you can.

Elizabeth Casson: Elizabeth's funeral will be held at 9.30am on Monday 14th May 2018 at Mortlake Crematorium. Everyone is welcome.

GDPR - please give us your consent!

Everyone who is on our current database should by now have received an email/letter, asking for agreement that St Mary's can continue to store their contact details. We can then still send information about events and services. If you haven't yet replied (or you can't remember seeing the letter/email), you can either email feedback@stmarybarnes.org or complete a form at the back of church. The same applies if you would like to join our circulation list. The new data protection law comes into effect on 25 May 2018. If we have not heard from you by then, we will no longer be able to keep you up to date. Full details can be found on www.stmarybarnes.org/gdpr or in printed form at the back of church. Do ask Judy if you're confused! Judy Gowing, Data Protection Officer judygowing@gmail.com

A Celebration of Shadows: Sat 26th May 7.45pm

In order to begin fundraising for the production of The Lion, The Witch & The Wardrobe they are due to stage at St Mary's in October, local theatre company Shadow Road (www.shadowroad.com) are holding a special, one-off performance on May 26th at 7.45pm. Join Director Emma King-Farlow, Musical Director Josh Gordon, and their talented cast for an entertaining evening of songs from the musicals, readings, and scenes from Shakespeare, Shadow Road's original work, and elsewhere. All pieces focus on theatre & creativity, childhood & children's literature, soldiers & the military, or mental health. Tickets cost £12 and are available online at www.ticketsource.co.uk/shadowroad or in person from the church office between 10am-12 noon and 2-4pm every weekday. (Please note: one of the military pieces features some strong language.)

Exploring the Way

The home group *Exploring the Way* will be meeting again on Tuesday evening 1st May at 20 Berkeley Road, and on subsequent Tuesday evenings 8, 15, 22, 29 May and 5 June. We will be looking at the Gospel of Luke. All evenings commence at 7.30pm. New members are always very welcome and if you would like to hear more please contact either Christabel Gairdner on 8748 1218 or Lucy Hine on 8748 4852.

Barnes Children's Literature Festival Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th May 2018

The festival is growing in size and stature each year. St Mary's Barnes and Kitson Hall are both being used this year along with other local venues. Please see the full listing and buy tickets on

www.barneskidslitfest.org or leaflets at back of church

APCM: The Annual Review and Annual Report and also the Rector's Address are now available at the back of church. At our APCM, Fouki Heller was voted in as St Mary's new Churchwarden. We are delighted to welcome Fouki onto the team. After six years' sterling service, Paul Teverson has stood down. Many thanks to him for all he has done through this time.

Church Lending Library: Tucked away at the back of church is a modest selection of works available to be borrowed, read and thought about. There are few heavy theological tomes, but plenty of thought-provoking works and a variety of novels having some spiritual dimension. Do borrow one from time to time and record your impressions in the book kept for commentaries. We welcome additions if you would like to donate something which you think others would enjoy.

Homeless Lunches: St Mary's is in a rota with other churches providing a Sunday Lunch for homeless people once or twice a year. Sandra Sherratt has organised this for over ten years and is stepping down next year for a couple of years. We need one or two people to offer to take this on now so that they can shadow Sandra this year to understand what is required and so we would like to hear from anyone interested. The date for this year is Sunday August 12th. There is a team of half a dozen people who can help out so it's a great community thing to do. The person/people could help out with the lunch this year to feel more confident to co-ordinate next year. Please contact Rev'd Richard if you are interested.

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