

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:

O God, early in the morning I cry to you.
Help me to pray and to concentrate my thoughts on you:
I cannot do this alone.
In me there is darkness, but with you there is light;
I am lonely, but you do not leave me;
I do not understand your ways, but you know the way for me.
Restore me to liberty,
And enable me to live now Lord, whatever this day may bring, your name be praised.
Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Services today

8am	Holy Communion BCP	President & preacher: Bishop Richard Harries
10am	Parish Eucharist with baptism	President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell
6pm	Evensong	Officiant: Rev'd Ann Lynes

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.

Collect for the 1st 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 16 vv9-15

Gospel: John 14 vv23-29

Hymns for 10am: 826, 291, 710, 595

Ascension Service: 228, 227, 453, 691

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

Special Prayers for this week:

St Mary's outward giving projects: Christian Aid

The sick, including Alastair Mackie, Alison Wells, Joan Putz,

Alan Mitchell, Caroline Beckitt; Gwen Beckitt; Joanna Greetham; Michael & Margaret Reece

Anniversaries of death: George Tapner; Mary Marshall

Those who have died: Jessica Bennett

This week

Mon to Fri daily	9.05am	Morning Prayer
Mondays	2.30pm	NO SEWING GROUP DUE TO BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY
Thursdays	10am	Home group meets for bible/book study at 2 Mill Hill Road. Anyone is welcome (contact Fiona 8878 6975)
Thurs 5 th May	11.15am	Quiet Time in the Langton Chapel
	12 noon	Holy Communion (BCP): President & preacher: Rev'd Ann Lynes
	8pm	Ascension Day Service: President: Rev'd Ann Lynes, preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell
Sat 7 th May	10.30am	Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room
Sunday 8th May	8am	Holy Communion (BCP): President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell
Seventh Sunday of Easter	10am	Parish Eucharist: President: Rev'd Richard Sewell, preacher: Christabel Gairdner
	11.30am	Informal Service with baptisms: Officiant: Rev'd Richard Sewell
	6pm	Evensong: Officiant: Christabel Gairdner

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 15TH – 22ND MAY: CAN YOU HELP?

Last year we raised over £15,000 through street collections in Christian Aid week, one of the highest totals in London. With your help, this year we aim to do even better! We need collectors to join our team in order to make this ambition a reality. If you would be willing to give a few hours of your time during the week 15th -22nd May contact Celia Cleave for more details at celia@cleave3.orangehome.co.uk or ring 8876 0254.

Ascension Day: There will be a service at St Mary's at 8pm on Thursday 5th May.

Walsingham Lodge Open Day: discover the best-kept secret in Barnes on Saturday 7th May from 11am to 3pm. 38 flats and bungalows for those over 60 and on low incomes.
Walsingham Lodge, Ferry Road, Barnes SW13 9PS

CTiB Pentecost Banquet on 7th May, in Kitson Hall: If you would like to attend as our guest, or if you are able to come and help serve and clear lunch, or act as a driver for any of our disabled guests, please contact Mia on 020 8748 2360, or miagibbons@gmail.com

Please note: St Mary's must provide 7 tomato salads for this. Help! Phone Rosie Findlater on 8876 5338

Family Prayer Walk – Saturday 14th May 11am to 12 noon: Fun and easy guided walk for parents and children (aged between 4-12 years old). See flyers or speak to Charlie Auton or Rev'd Ann Lynes for details.

Barnes Children's Literature Festival
Saturday 14 & Sunday 15 May 2016
Don't forget that St Mary's is hosting two very special events as part of this year's Barnes Children's Literature Festival. On Saturday 14 May at 3pm the international bestselling German fantasy writer Cornelia Funke will be making her only visit to the UK for the Festival. At 7.30pm Barnes resident, Lisa O'Kelly, the literary editor of The Observer, will host a panel to discuss First Light, a new anthology celebrating the life and work of Alan Garner (The Owl Service, The Weirdstone of Brisingamen etc). The panel includes author and journalist Erica Wagner, the two time Kate Greenaway award winning illustrator Michael Foreman and Cornelia Funke who was a contributor to the project. There are more than fifty events in this year's Festival. The impressive line-up includes Michael Morpurgo, Judith Kerr, Jacqueline Wilson, Morris Gleitzman, Lauren Child, Axel Scheffler, Anthony Browne, Cathy Cassidy, Philip Reeve, Frances Hardinge, Gyles Brandreth, Sarah Crossan, Emily Gravett and many more. The full programme is available here: www.barneskidslitfest.org
Tickets are available online, from the OSO and the Barnes, Sheen and Kew Bookshops.

FiSH: is organising a Royal Tea Party for the Queen's 90th birthday. This will be on Saturday 11th June from 2-4pm by Barnes Pond. They are giving away 200 free tickets for this if you are 65 or over. Please phone FiSH on 8876 3336.

Mindful Monday Walks at Castelnau Community Centre: As part of the Centre's Re:balance wellbeing programme, Annie Sullivan will be leading a peaceful, reflective walk every Monday. Meet in the Centre café at 9.15am. Please see the poster on the porch noticeboard for more details.

Senior hand bell ringers are meeting at 25 Castelnau on May 11th at 10am. All welcome.

Under Tree Schools charity event: at St Mary's Barnes and Kitson Hall on Saturday 25th June 2016 'Summer Swing Dance' featuring the Galaxy Big Band and singers. Bring your own picnic. Dance the night away 1940's style! Tickets will be available from the 1st March at the church office. Please come and have fun while supporting Joseph's wonderful school for girls in South Sudan!

Praying for victims of the First World War
Throughout the whole centenary of the First World War, our diocese is remembering all those who died from every parish in Southwark. Each day in Southwark Cathedral, four or five service men and women are prayed for by name. During April and May 2016 those from Barnes will be named, and so we will also remember them in our daily prayers and Sunday intercessions.

First Communion Course
Begins on 8th May. If any children aged 7 and up would like to participate in this year's course, please speak to Rev Ann Lynes or fill in a form at the back of church and return to Rev Ann or the Church office.



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