

Welcome to St Mary's. Welcome to St Mary's. We are not able to worship together in public currently but do look at our website and social media @stmarybarnes to keep in touch with us during the Coronavirus crisis.

Thank you God for the love of our mothers: thank you God for their care and concern;
thank you God for the joys they have shared with us;
thank you God for the pains they have borne for us;
thank you God for all that they give us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mothering Sunday flowers to be distributed at St Mary's Barnes!

Although there is no service, Mothering Sunday daffodil bunches which have been blessed will be available from the church from 11am onwards on Sunday.

Collect for 22nd March

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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. Amen

First Reading: Colossians 3 vv12-17 **Gospel:** John 9

For those of us facing a time of fasting from public worship:

When I pray in my chamber, I build a sanctuary there.

When I cast out a prayer upon the street, a spire rises suddenly to the skies.

When, without voice, my soul prays in any place, my whole being becomes a church.

When my faith kindles and flames into praise
the whole created world becomes a Minster.

Eric Milner-White

Special Prayers: Bishop's Lent Appeal 2020

The sick, including Anne White, Monty & Maisie Brown, Sheila Wilson, Isabelle, Beatrice, Christopher Browne, Caroline Browne **Anniversaries of death:** John Wisdom, Jigs Fildes-Heap

Those who have died: Dennis Napier, David Clifford, Archie Beston

Please see important church information on second page of this pewsheet

Local Community Support Information: The BCA are co-ordinating with FiSH and local churches to support the particularly vulnerable and ensure they have access to food and medicines. They are also working in partnership with e-transport solution business Ginger and local businesses to deliver an online home delivery service. This will mean that residents are able to order online from Londis, Two Peas in a Pod, Barnes Fruit and Veg and the Barnes Fish Shop. They hope that this new venture will be up and running by the beginning of April and plan to extend the service to include other businesses in the future. There is a WhatsApp group of street volunteers if you would like to join it. The BCA are coordinating this so any queries contact them on 0208 878 2359 or www.barnes-ca.org. They are also compiling a list of every street in SW13 to ensure that each has a contact point. This will assist them in identifying the gaps and directing help more efficiently. If you are happy to be the lead for a street or are already setting up a neighbourhood group and have not already provided your details to the Barnes Community Association or the Mortlake Community Association, please let them have your contact details and street name at membership@barnes-ca.org.

Coronavirus

Following the advice of the Church of England nationally, in turn based on advice from Public Health England

- * **all public acts of worship and other midweek gatherings have been put on hold**
- * with one or two others to assist, I will be saying daily prayers in church and the Eucharist on Sunday. The bell will toll before the service on Sunday to declare we are praying for Barnes.
- * **in some form we will record or livestream the Sunday service**, so this can reach as many of you as possible
- * **the church remains open** for prayer and reflection. People are asked to keep 2 metres apart while doing this. Do mention to others you know that the church is available like this
- * A suggestion from the Bishop of Southwark I would encourage, is that we **say the Lord's Prayer at 1pm and 7pm each day**, knowing that many others will be doing the same.
- * Churches Together in England have also suggested **lighting a candle in your window each evening**, if safe to do so, as a symbol of Christ's light in our world at this dark time
- * Barnes agencies are working together on how to help those **self-isolating**. Many thanks to those who have offered to volunteer - we have a central list and will be calling on you shortly I'm sure. Please also let us know if you are self-isolating, just call or email the church office. The pastoral team is phoning all those we can identify so far.
- * don't forget the **Foodbank**, at a time when many are facing hard times. There is the collecting box in church, near to the font, or deliveries can be taken to the food bank at the Castelnau Centre, 7 Stillingfleet Road, Barnes SW13 9AQ, 9.15am-11.15am on Friday mornings.

It is a time of great uncertainty, but also one in which many lights are shining in the darkness. Keep safe and be assured that God is with each one of us, and may you know his strength, peace and compassion.

With every blessing,

James

Revd James Hutchings

Barnes Team Rector and Vicar of St Mary

Review of Giving: James has written a letter about Christian giving to everyone whose details we hold. If you haven't received a letter please take one of the blank envelopes with the same letter enclosed (this means we don't hold your records, please let Cheryl in the church office know your details). The review of giving is part of our programme for Lent. James' sermon regarding this is on the website. Please return the reply form in the letter at one of the services this month, or back to the office by hand or email. Please reply even if you decide to leave your giving unchanged.

Calling First Aiders!: As part of our risk assessment for church services, it would be helpful to know who is currently trained as a first aider. If you are, could you let Lis Munden know? lismunden@icloud.com

FiSH Helpline: Our Helpline remains open however it is prioritising shopping and the delivery of food and medicines. Please call 020 8876 3414 if you need help, or know someone in Barnes, Mortlake or East Sheen who is in need of help.

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 or the Church Office on 0208 741 5422.

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