

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: Rev'd Richard Sewell
10am	Parish Eucharist	President & preacher: Rev'd Ann Lynes
11.30am	Informal Service with baptisms	Officiant: Rev'd Richard Sewell
6pm	Friends Annual Choral Evensong	Officiant: Rev'd Richard Sewell, Cantor: Rev'd Ann Lynes, Preacher: Rt Rev'd Richard Frith

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 9th October

God, the giver of life, whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church: by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ and make us eager to do your will, that we may share with the whole creation the joys of eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, Amen.

First Reading: 2 Kings 5 vv1-3, 7-15c

Gospel: John 6 vv25-35

Hymns for 10am: 753, 755, 454, 592

Hymns for 11.30am: 533, 621, 667, 576

Antem: O taste and see *by Vaughan Williams*



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Special Prayers for this week:

St Mary's outward giving projects: FiSH Neighbourhood Care

The sick, including Alastair Mackie, Joan Putz, Alan Mitchell, Marjorie Wing, June Blunt, Lorna Moran, Imogen Smith, Andrea Walshe

Anniversaries of death: Susan Freeland

Those who have died: Maggie Sharp, Robert Walker; Peter Russell

This week

Mon to Fri daily	9.05am	Morning Prayer
Mondays	2.30pm	Sewing group as arranged (contact Rosie on 8876 5338)
Thursdays	10am	Home group meets for bible/book study at 2 Mill Hill Road. Anyone is welcome (contact Fiona 8878 6975)
Thurs 13 th Oct	11.15am	Quiet Time
	12 noon	Holy Communion (BCP): President & preacher: Rev'd Richard Sewell
Sat 15 th Oct	10.30am	Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room in aid of The Lullaby Trust who offers support to bereaved parents when a baby dies suddenly and unexpectedly (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome) and invests in research Coffee Shop will be run by John and Fenella Deards in memory of their grandson – Theo who would be 4 years old this October
Sunday	8am	Holy Communion (BCP): President & preacher: Rev'd Ann Lynes
16th October	10am	Parish Eucharist: President: Rev'd Richard Sewell, preacher: Geoffrey Barnett
21st Sunday after Trinity	11.30am	Informal Service: Officiant: Rev'd Richard Sewell
	6pm	Healing & Wholeness: Officiant: Rev'd Richard Sewell

Charity of the Month – FiSH Neighbourhood Care

This month's chosen charity is FiSH Neighbourhood care. Established over 53 years ago and was one of the first self-help organisations in the country. FiSH enables those who are particularly isolated living in our community to connect with trained volunteers through a befriending service.

Last year 1,351 people made contact with our social listening service FiSH'n'Chats coffee corner.

Could you help as a volunteer at this vital service?

We are currently looking for additional volunteers who like working as part of a team and enjoy listening to people. Training will be provided through a 'Purposeful Listening' Course which will run in early 2017.

Please contact info@fishhelp.org.uk or call 0208 876 3336 to find out more.

Margaret Sharp's funeral will be held at St Mary's Barnes on Thursday 20th October at 1.30pm.

A big thank you to the whole congregation for your generous harvest donations. The amount of food collected totalled an amazing 85kg which will help provide emergency food for people in crisis within our community and borough and will be gratefully received by all.

St Mary's Minis – no sessions on 6th and 13th October due to BCA Jumble Sale and the Barnes Charity Fashion Show.

They meet every Thursday morning in term time from 10am – 11.15am in Kitson Hall. Toys for different ages of children and croissants and good quality coffee for parents/carers. Prospective volunteers please contact Charlie Auton on children@stmarybarnes.org

There is a meeting of the **Richmond and Barnes Deanery Synod on Wednesday 12th October** at Holy Trinity Church, Sheen Park, Richmond at 7.30pm. The Bishop of Kingston is our special guest and so it is an open meeting that anyone can attend. Please do come along if you would like to hear what our Bishop has to say about the current challenges and opportunities we are facing.

Barnes Charity Fashion Show Weds 12th or Thurs 13th Oct. Tickets now available from Knight Frank Estate Agents 56 Barnes High Street (**not** Marsh & Parsons)

St Michael's Organ Restoration Appeal: there will be a fundraising concert 'I am Glad' on 16th October at 7.30pm with the English Chamber Singers, John West (organist) and Martin Neary (conductor). Tickets are available from Natson's newsagents or from St Michael's Parish office please call Lizzie on 8876 5230 or email on music@stmichaelbarnes.org

Richard Harries debates with John Humphrys on 27th Oct at 8pm in church, on the themes of Richard's new book "The Beauty and the Horror". Life is at once wonderful and appalling, beautiful and horrific. Can we really believe that there is a wise and loving creator behind it? Drawing on a wide range of modern literature, the book faces the toughest questions and offers a robust defence of central Christian beliefs. Tickets £10 from www.ticketsource.co.uk/stmarybarnes or St Mary's office.

St Mary's Christmas Fair, Sat 12th Nov, Kitson Hall, 10am to 3pm:

Last year we raised £8000! We need volunteers for this year, to manage the Silent Auction, the Raffle and help on the day. Please offer help to Louise Thomson at louandal.thomson@gmail.com

Contribute to the Tombola stall by coming to the **Bring a Bottle evening in the Melvill Room on the 3rd Nov at 6.30-8.30pm**. Stay for a glass of wine and meet the team behind the Fair. We also need your donations for the Bric a Brac stall, jams and marmalades and home-made cakes.

Glass Door: CTiB will again be running the Saturday Night Homeless Shelter at Barnes Methodist Church from November to April on behalf of Glass Door Homeless Charity.

The Finance Strategy Group makes recommendations to the PCC about all aspects of St Mary's finances. It played an important role in last year's stewardship appeal. We are looking to fill a vacancy on the FSG to replace Mike Kalmar who is relocating to Toronto. The FSG meets about every 3 months. The vacancy provides an opportunity to play an important role in our forward planning. We are looking for someone with a background in finance, marketing or fundraising interested in applying their skills and knowledge for the benefit of the church and the community it serves. If you are, or know of someone who might be, interested in joining the FSG please contact either the Rector or Paul Teverson whose contact details are on the bottom of the pew sheet. The PCC thanks Mike Kalmar for the significant contribution he made on the FRG and wish him every success in Canada.

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

If you will be giving your donation to the church in cash, and you pay tax, please use a Gift Aid envelope. This will enable us to claim an extra 25% from HMRC at no cost to you. Write your full name, address and date on the front of the envelope – this MUST be completed in ink to be valid.

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