

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

Dear Lord, your peace surpasses all understanding.
Like a moment of stillness within a storm, like a place of quiet within a crowd,
or a soft area to rest on a hard journey.
Help me to know your peace in my heart. 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 1st September

8am	Holy Communion BCP	President & preacher: Rev'd Peter King
10am	Parish Eucharist	President & preacher: Bishop Richard Harries
6pm	Evensong	Officiant: Christabel Gairdner

Collect for 1st September

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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 forever. Amen.

First Reading: Hebrews 13 vv1-8, 15-16 **Gospel:** Luke 14 vv1, 7-14 **10am hymns:** 488, 87, 455, 476

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.

Difficulty in hearing or reading?
There is a hearing loop system in this church. Just switch your NHS hearing aid to the 'T' position. Privately purchased aids may work differently; check your aid instructions. There are also large print service booklets and hymn books. Please ask a sidesperson if you would like one.

Special Prayers:

For our Under Tree Schools charity and the staff and the girls at the school in South Sudan

The sick, including Anne White, Philip Mitchell, Monty & Maisie Brown

Those who have died: Andrew Maxwell-Hyslop, Anne Rogers, Jo Sullam, Alan Wade, Hugo Middleton

Anniversaries of death: Edna Ward, Althea Palin, Shane Saxon

This week

Mon to Fri	9.05am	Morning Prayer in the Langton Chapel
Mondays	2.30pm	Sewing group (contact Rosie on 8876 5338)
Thurs 5 th Sept	11am	Refreshments with the Rector in the Melvill Room
	11.15am	Quiet Time
	12 noon	Holy Communion (BCP): President & preacher: Rev'd James Hutchings
Sat 7 th Sept	10.30am	Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room in aid of Save the Children
Sun 8 th Sept	8am	Holy Communion (BCP): President & preacher: Bishop Richard Harries
Patronal Festival	10am	Patronal Festival All Age: President & preacher: Rev'd James Hutchings with refreshments afterwards
	6pm	Evensong: Officiant: Rev'd James Hutchings

Our charity of the month: Under Tree Schools - our school for girls in South Sudan

The girls are now in the second term of the 2019 year (the eleventh year the school has been running). This year there are 315 six to fifteen-year olds there. Despite the very difficult economic circumstances of the country the staff of 20 teachers have stayed together well and the children are getting their academic education. 44 girls who have graduated from the UTS school in past years are currently in one of the four years of various secondary schools in the area. And seven of our girls who have graduated from secondary school are now in training as nurses or teachers. As well as having academic lessons the girls are also being taught agronomy. The herd of cattle that UTS bought the school a few years ago is doing well and breeding, so the girls can learn animal management - cattle are the traditional main store of value for Dinka families. And the school is now tilling land to grow food. As well as vegetables a new crop of ground nuts has been planted this year. In a farming economy these skills will help the girls provide for their families in later life.

See the UTS website for more information and pictures: www.undertreeschools.org.

Patronal Festival: Sunday 8th September is the Patronal Festival when we focus on our church's dedication to Mary and her unique role in the gospel. After the service there will be drinks & refreshments served, and this will be a good opportunity for me to meet more of the congregation, and for the congregation to meet each other, at the start of a new season after the summer holidays. **Claire Boyling asks** If you are able, please do bring something along with you in the form of finger food to help us cater. Many thanks and look forward to seeing you there.

More coffee Rector? Hospitality and holy community go hand in hand, so I would like to see if there is any interest in gathering for coffee/tea before the Thursday 12 noon communion. From 5th September, I will have the kettle on in the Melvill Room from 11am each Thursday. It will be an opportunity for fellowship or for anyone wanting to have a word with me, and there will be no expectation of staying on for the Communion if that isn't possible. Quiet Time will continue in the church as now. I have found in previous parishes that a midweek communion with refreshments is helpful, especially for those who cannot get to the Sunday 10am, so I would like to give it a try here! James

Youth and Children's Worker

We hope to be advertising soon for a new worker to take forward the work which Charlie did before he moved on. This will be a 0.5 part time role. The final details are to be discussed by the PCC in September, but in the meantime, do please pass this on to anyone who might be interested in this vital role, and give Cheryl or me the details of anyone who would like to receive the application pack once agreed. James

22nd September Homeless Lunch: we need volunteers to make chicken chasseur or a dessert for the day and/or come and help set up, serve and clear away. Please leave any dishes of food in the Melvill Room before or after the 10am service on the 22nd. Sign-up sheet and recipe cards are at the back of the church. Any queries contact Natasha Mold on 07766 708907.

Dancing by the Light of the Moon

with Gyles Brandreth A poetic evening at St Mary's Barnes on Sunday 22 September at 7.30pm **in aid of the Bells of St Mary's**. A signed copy of Dancing by the Light of the Moon comes with every ticket (single ticket £20, double ticket £30) available from Barnes Bookshop and www.ticketsource.co.uk/stmarybarnes Before the show the St Mary's Bellringers will be demonstrating their skills from 7pm.

Glass Door Homeless Charity will be hosting their annual Sleep Out on 4th October 2019 on Duke of York Square in Chelsea. The event will see hundreds sleeping outside to raise awareness and funds in support of the charity's network of church-based night shelters, which will provide up to 170 individuals a place to sleep every night during the coldest 22 weeks of the coming winter. By taking part in the Sleep Out, you can give someone else shelter and the chance to leave homelessness behind. To register or find out more, please visit www.glassdoor.org.uk or call the charity on 020 7351 4948. **Our Rector, James**, will be joining the Sleep Out. He would love to be joined by others or sponsored www.glassdoor.org.uk/appeal/james-hutchings-sleep-out-fundraising-page

In Barnes, we have an excellent roster of experienced helpers, though we can always use more. However, we need one more cook. If you like cooking and think that with some training you could join a team as the cook please contact me, Pip Danby: danbypip@gmail.com, 0208 255 5605.

Barnes Charity Fashion Show 9/10 October

7.30pm: Join the boutiques of Barnes as they show off their latest fashion collections on the runway in the unique setting of St Mary's Barnes, sponsored by Knight Frank. Join us at the after-party in Kitson Hall for a free glass of prosecco and to see the collections up close. All in aid of local charities. Boutiques showing on each night include Iris, Ridley & Co, ClothesRoom, Marco Tripoli, MillieManu and Clifford Studios. Tickets (£25 unallocated, £35 premium seats in front two rows) available from Knight Frank, 56 Barnes High Street or online at www.ticketsource.co.uk/stmarybarnes

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