

22nd December 2019 Fourth of Advent

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.



I heard the bells on Christmas Day Their old, familiar carols play, And wild and sweet The words repeat Of peace on earth, good-will to men!



Henry Wadsworth Longfellow - 1807-1882

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 22nd December

8am Holy Communion BCP President & preacher: Rev'd James Hutchings

10am Parish Eucharist President: Rev'd James Hutchings

Preacher: Geoffrey Barnett

6pm St Mary's Carol Service Officiant: Rev'd James Hutchings

Collect for 22nd December

God our redeemer, who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of your Son: grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour, so we may be ready to greet him when he comes again as our judge; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading: Isaiah 7 vv10-16 Gospel: Matthew 1 vv18-end 10am hymns: 75, 395, 315, 394

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 need one.

Special Prayers: Under Tree Schools in South Sudan

The sick, including Anne White, Monty & Maisie Brown, Sheila Wilson, Isabelle

Those who have died: Philippa Lloyd, Sheila Cavanagh

Anniversaries of death: Peter Juster; Andrew Rutherfoord; Eve Kirkby; Misha Samilov

This week				
Mon to Fri	9.05am	Morning Prayer suspended from Cbristmas Day, returns Mon 6 th Jan		
Christmas Eve	3.30 & 5pm	Nativity Services		
Christmas Day	8am	Holy Communion (BCP): President & preacher: Bishop Richard Harries		
	10am	All Age Christmas Eucharist:		
		President & preacher: Rev'd James Hutchings		
	11.30am	All Age Informal Service: Officiant: Rev'd James Hutchings		
	6pm	No Evensong		
Thurs 26 th Dec	12 noon	No midday communion, returns on 2 nd January 2020		
Sat 28 th Dec 10.30am		Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room in aid of HCPT pilgrimage		
Sun 29 th Dec	8am	Holy Communion (BCP): President & preacher: Rev'd James Hutchings		
	10am	Parish Eucharist: President & preacher: Rev'd James Hutchings		
		First Reading: Hebrews 2 vv10-18 Gospel: Matthew 2 vv13-end		
	6pm	Evensong; Officiant: Geoffrey Barnett		

St Mary's Barnes is seeking two people to fill the following:

Part-time Children's work co-ordinator: planning & leading our Sunday morning club (aged 5-11), supporting volunteers & communicating with parents/carers

Part-time Young People's group leader: planning and leading a Sunday afternoon/evening group of our young people (11+), supporting volunteers & communicating with parents/carers

Hours: 6-8 hours per week for each role, on Sundays and other hours to be agreed. Salary: £24-28k pro-rata, depending on experience. We need these roles to be filled as soon as possible on a short-term contract, to help maintain and nurture our existing activities while we recruit a full-time Children, Youth and Families Worker, which we hope to do during early 2020. These could be great roles for someone with experience and a passion for working with children and young people. You might be someone looking for a few hours to complement another job or childcare, alongside training or as step back into employment. Whatever your situation, I'd love to have a discussion with you if you might be interested in applying. Please contact me, Revd James Hutchings at revdjames@stmarybarnes.org or via the church office 020 8741 5422

The Christingle Service was a wonderful occasion and raised £245 for the Children's Society. Thanks to all who came.

Many thanks to **St Mary's Barnes Cubs & Scouts Group** who have once again kindly donated and erected the splendid Christmas tree.

Our numbers at **Sunday Coffee** after the 10am service have mushroomed of late and we need extra baristas. If you can help either with the setting up or the serving can you let me know please. Claire Boyling (claire.boyling@gmail.com or 07906 707631)

St Mary's Christmas Cards are now on sale. The church will be open from 10.30am to 2.30pm, volunteer helpers willing. Please email Charlie if you want to offer a shift. christmascards@stmarybarnes.org

Anna Haestrup, a member of our Junior Choir, has made it to the final of the BBC Radio 2 Young Chorister of the Year 2019 and this will be broadcast at 6pm on Sunday the 22nd December. You can listen to the programme at:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m000ck8p Many congratulations to Anna on her progress in this competition.

CTiB Christmas Services cards showing service times for all 6 churches in Barnes are now available at the back of church.

The BCA will once again be holding a traditional lunch on Christmas Day at the Barnes Green (Age UK) Centre by Barnes Pond. If you would like to attend this event, please contact Julia in the office at Rose House on 8878 2359 or by email at info@barnes-ca.org. Transport to and from the centre can be arranged. Guests are usually collected at about 12 noon and lunch begins at 1pm. A traditional roast turkey lunch will be served, followed by tea and mince pies while you can watch the Queen's Speech on TV.

If you would like to volunteer to help serve the lunch, then we would be pleased to hear from you. We have a professional catering company to cook the meal.



6pm St Mary's Carol Service **Christmas Eve**

St Mary's Nativity Services at 3.30pm and 5pm

11.30pm Midnight Communion

Christmas Day

8am Holy Communion (BCP) 10am All Age Christmas Eucharist 11.30am All Age Informal Service No Evensong

Thursday 26th December No midday Holy Communion

Sunday 29th December

8am Holy Communion (BCP) 10am Parish Eucharist 6pm Evensong

Thursday 2nd January 2020 12 noon Holy Communion (BCP)



Contactless giving: we are trialling a device supplied by the Diocese of Southwark to allow us to take contactless donations. The device will be on the Welcomer's table by the front door with instructions.

International Holocaust Memorial Day on Sunday 26th January at 6pm, 34 Upper Berkeley St, W1H 5QE. The event will include a talk and exhibition by Dr Jennifer Craig-Norton, Kindertransport scholar. RSVP is essential for security purposes - to Adi Ben-Naim admin@lyonslearning.org.uk by 16 January 2020.

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