

**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

GOD our Father, you have created all things, and we praise you for the harvest.  
We thank you for your love for us, for these gifts which the sun and rain have nurtured,  
for the care and skill of our farmers, and for the food and drink we enjoy.  
Make us always thankful and give us generous hearts to share what we have with those who have little;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
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 6<sup>th</sup> October

8am	Holy Communion BCP	President & preacher: Rev'd James Hutchings
10am	All Age Harvest Festival Parish Eucharist	President & preacher: Rev'd James Hutchings
	Harvest Festival lunch after the service	
6pm	Evensong	Officiant: Christabel Gairdner

### Collect for 6<sup>th</sup> October

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**First Reading:** Deuteronomy 26 vv1-11 **Gospel:** John 6 vv25-35 **10am hymns:** 290, 283, 533, 484

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](mailto: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:** For our UnderTree Schools charity and the staff and girls at the school in South Sudan

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

**Those who have died:** Jo Sullam, Alan Wade, Hugo Middleton, Roly Wickenden

**Anniversaries of death:** Edgar Gordon, Nicolas Phillips

### This week

Mon to Fri	9.05am	Morning Prayer will be held in the Kitson Room this week
Mondays	2.30pm	Sewing group (contact Rosie on 8876 5338)
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	7.30pm	Barnes Charity Fashion Show
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct	11am	Refreshments with the Rector in the Melvill Room
		<b>NO QUIET TIME OR MIDDAY SERVICE</b>
	7.30pm	Barnes Charity Fashion Show
Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10.30am	Coffee Shop in the Melvill Room
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct	8am	Holy Communion (BCP): President & preacher: Bishop Richard Harries
<b>17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	10am	Parish Eucharist: President: Rev'd James Hutchings Preacher: Geoffrey Barnett
	6pm	Annual Friends Choral Evensong: Officiant: Rev'd James Hutchings Preacher: Ven Sheila Watson

## Harvest Festival, 6th October

We will have an all-age service today to give thanks for the good things God gives us. Harvest is about giving thanks for all the gifts God gives us, not only food. We will be taking non-perishable food donations to the Barnes Foodbank next week. The lovely Harvest Banner has been made by children from the Ark Nursery and the display is by our own flower team. There will also be bread making for the children to do! We will consume this at our harvest lunch in the church after the service, so do please stay on if you can.

### Children, Youth & Families Worker

St Mary's Barnes in South-West London is a vibrant church family of all ages. We are seeking a new Children, Youth and Families Worker to build on and develop our work with those aged up to 18 and their families. Hours: 36 hours per week, on Sundays and other hours to be agreed including some evenings. Salary: £24-28k pro-rata, depending on experience. The successful candidate will be; a practising Christian, enthusiastic and motivated to enable and support children and young people to grow in faith, able to work effectively with volunteer staff & clergy, and build relationships with families. For more information and to apply contact us at: St Mary's Barnes, Church Road, Barnes SW13 9HL Church Office: 020 8741 5422 office@stmarybarnes.org www.stmarybarnes.org Closing date for applications is Wednesday 23rd October 2019, 4pm. Those shortlisted will be invited to visit St Mary's and be interviewed on Sunday 3rd November 2019. *(There is a Genuine Occupation Requirement for the post holder to be a Christian and appointment will only be made upon receipt of satisfactory references, an enhanced DBS check and Confidential Declaration.)*

### Confirmation

I have had approaches from one or two people interested in being confirmed. If you would like to explore this step - perhaps to learn more about Christian faith or because for whatever reason you do not receive holy communion - please let me know. Confirmation is an opportunity both to affirm your faith publicly and to invite the Holy Spirit to strengthen you in this. We admit children to receive communion after a short course (I plan to do another next year), so confirmation is a more adult step, though I am happy for anyone to consider it once they reach secondary school age. There is no upper age limit! Preparation will be tailored to meet the needs of those involved. *Rev'd James*

### Test of Faith

#### Does science threaten belief in God?

Study Group at the Barnes Methodist Church on Fridays, 10.30am to 12 noon for 4 weeks, starting from 4<sup>th</sup> October. Everyone is welcome, refreshments provided and plenty of time for conversations and questions.

### It's your Call ... Vocations Fair:

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October, 6.30 to 8.30pm at St Matthew's Church, Durham Road, West Wimbledon, London SW20 0DE. Free event. For information, email: vocations@southwark.anglican.org

### Glass Door Homeless Charity Sleep Out

By the time this is read, James hopes to have survived the sleep out and still be in one piece for Harvest Festival! He is very grateful for all the support he has received. He is grateful to those who have sponsored him, or may yet do so, online via [www.glassdoor.org.uk/appeal/james-hutchings-sleep-out-fundraising-page](http://www.glassdoor.org.uk/appeal/james-hutchings-sleep-out-fundraising-page), or by cheque/cash via the church office.

### Barnes Charity Fashion Show Wed 9th &

**Thurs 10th October 7.30pm** is almost sold out but there are a few tickets left for this great night out of music, fashion and fizz in aid of the church and local charities. Visit Knight Frank 56 Barnes High Street or [ticketsource.co.uk/stmarybarnes](http://ticketsource.co.uk/stmarybarnes)

**Friends Choral Evensong 13 October 6pm:** at this year's annual service we are delighted to welcome **The Venerable Sheila Watson**. She was one of the first women to be ordained in the Church of England and is now Canon of St Paul's Cathedral and Preacher of Lincoln's Inn. She was until recently the Archdeacon of Canterbury where she had the distinction of being the first woman to install the new Archbishop of Canterbury. After the service there is a reception with wine and canapés to which all are welcome.

**Barnes Charity Bike Sale** is looking for storage space for some bikes, so we can consider accepting donations all year round rather than just in June & July. If anyone has space in a garage (or similar) that they would be willing to let us use, please contact [judygowing@gmail.com](mailto:judygowing@gmail.com) Many thanks.

**HomeStart Richmond:** If you have some free time after the Xmas holidays, and you are a parent or grandparent, you could help other families with pre-school children. Local charity Home-Start is offering a free course to train you to be a home-visiting volunteer, supporting families with difficulties such as post-natal illness, bereavement or disability. The course will run in Whitton 9.30am-2.30pm, on Tuesdays from 21 January until 3 March (half-term 18 Feb). After the course, you would visit a family for 2-3 hours a week. For more information, please contact Angie Ahmed 020 8487 8500.

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