

Welcome to
St Mary's
Church
Wimbledon

Sunday 28th August 2011
St Mary's News

WELCOME TO ST MARY'S

If you are a newcomer, please introduce yourself, and join us for coffee in the Garden Hall after the 9:30 service. Small children are always welcome, and we offer a crèche during the 9:30 service in term time.

CONTRIBUTIONS towards leaving presents for **Tracy Dowling and Chris Thomas** may be left in the Parish Office. Please put them in an envelope with the name of the desired recipient clearly marked.

HARVEST FESTIVAL LUNCH will be on **16th October** at the AELTC. Tickets are **£12.50** for an adult with wine, **£10** without, **£7.50** for children and **£30** for a family of four. Tickets will go on sale in the second week of September. Tickets can be pre-ordered with the form available at the cross aisles from **21st August**. Any donations for the raffle in aid of **Faith in Action** will be gratefully received. Please contact Lucy Uden Lucy.Uden@Bcl.co.uk or Susan Creed susan.creed@yahoo.co.uk

DO YOU FEEL you would like to deepen your relationship with God? The Bishop of Kingston will be Confirming candidates at St Mary's on **November 30th** at **8.00pm**. If you would like to be part of this special service, or simply would like

to explore the Christian faith a little more, then you would be very welcome to join our Confirmation Course. For just one hour (**8-9pm**) every Wednesday, starting **28th September**, a group of us will be meeting over coffee and a chat to explore what it is we believe, what we don't believe and engage with doubts, questions and quandaries. Don't worry if you don't think you could commit to every week, we would be glad to explore options with you. If you would like to be part of this, discuss the course or your needs further please don't hesitate to call Mary(**8946 2830**), Martin (**8946 4494**) or the Parish Office (**8946 2605**).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED (for those who haven't already signed up) to find out more about running a possible winter night shelter at St Mary's. In Merton there are large numbers of homeless who cannot be accommodated during cold snaps. Eastern Europeans are especially hard hit as are men between 16 and 85. Faith in Action are asking local churches to consider coming together to run shelters either through donating a hall one night per week, or providing volunteers or providing funding during the coldest months of the year. In order to explore in more detail, there will be a meeting in Garden Hall on **Wednesday 14th September** at **7.00pm** for all who might be interested in taking this idea forward. Please let Alice Fookes know if you would like to attend by emailing alicefookes@yahoo.com or leave a message at the Parish Office.

READY, STEADY, CHEF comes to St Mary's on **Saturday November 19th**. This will be a fun, fundraising event where families can socialise, order their Christmas presents and raise funds for St Mary's, having watched/ taken part in Pampered Chef's demos and games. **15%** of every item ordered will go to St Mary's. There is no obligation to buy anything. It will be held in Garden Hall from **11am to 4pm** 120 tickets will be on sale, **£3** for adults and free for children under 12. All you need to do for now is put it in your diaries and watch this space!

SUNDAY SCHOOL The Sunday School Summer walk is on **Saturday 3rd September**. Meet at the **Percy Arms, Chilworth**, near Guildford at **1.00pm** for pub lunch or **2.00pm** for the walk. All walkers welcome. If you would like a lift or can offer one please leave a message at the Parish Office.

CONGREGATION BREAKFASTS There will be **NO** breakfast on **Sunday 4th September**. The next Congregation breakfast will be on **Sunday 4th December**.

CHURCHYARD MAINTENANCE How the weeds have loved the rain! If you have a couple of hours to spare on **Saturday 10th September** between **10.00am and 1.00pm** come and join us in the churchyard for a spot of gardening. If you can't make it this time we meet again on **October 8th** when we will be planting bulbs.

Services for Tenth Sunday after Trinity

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion	<i>president The Rector</i>
9:30 a.m. Sung Eucharist	<i>president & preacher The Rector</i>
11.15am Family Service	<i>officiant Miss Catherine Parkes</i> <i>talk The Rector</i>
6.30pm Sung Evensong	<i>officiant Ms Tracy Dowling</i> <i>preacher Mrs Joan Ellis</i>

Hymns for Sung Eucharist 9.30am (HON) 122, 205, 321 (tune 2), 231 (tune 1), 235

Anthem: O sing joyfully *Batten*

Hymns for Family Service 11.15am (HON) 500, 39, 83, 228

Sung Evensong 6.30pm (NEH) 332 (omit *), 388, 368, psalm 105 v1-15

Anthem: Almighty and everlasting God *Gibbons*

Readings: 2 Kings 6.24-25, 7.3- end, Acts 18.1-16

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6.30p.m. Sung Evensong	<i>officiant Mrs Hazel O'Sullivan</i> <i>talk The Rector</i>

Contact

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Team Ministry

Weekday Services in the Team

Daily Prayer is said at:

St Mary's at 9.00am – Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri

St Matthew's at 8.30am – Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri

The Eucharist is celebrated at:

St Matthew's at 10.00am – Wednesday

St Mark's at 12.30pm – Wednesday

St Mary's at 10.30am – Thursday

Parish News

Abundance Wimbledon is a project to encourage people to pick fruit and to eat it. St Mark's Church will be hosting Wimbledon Fruit Day on **September 17th**.

We'll have a fruit press and fruit related stalls. Have you got ideas about what to put on a stall? Do you have skills in baking with fruit or preserving it? Let us know email abundancewimbledon@gmail.com or speak to Juliet **8946 2514** or Joyce **8946 3750**.

Baby Sitting- James Gregg aged 17 is available for baby sitting. He is a pupil at St Cecilia's, Southfields and is also available to teach music theory as he is a Grade 8 trumpet player. Please call **07838040252**.

**Items for inclusion on this page should reach the Parish Office
(preferably by email) by Wednesday of each week**

The Parish Office, Fellowship House, 30 St Mary's Road, SW19 7BP. Tel: **8946 2605** Usually open for enquiries from 9.00am-1.00pm and 2.30pm-4.00pm Monday to Friday (**except Wednesday** when it will be open 2.30pm-4.00pm only).

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