

Welcome to  
**St Mary's**  
**Church**  
Wimbledon

**Sunday 2nd December 2012**  
**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.

**ADVENT GROUP** a look at the Gospel of Luke. On **Wednesdays at 2.00pm** on **Dec 5, 12, 19<sup>th</sup>** at **8 Leopold Terrace, Dora Road, SW19**. All welcome.

**ADVENT CAROL SERVICE TODAY at 6.30pm**. A candlelit service to mark the beginning of Advent.

**BIBLE STUDY** There is a weekly Bible Study in the Rose and Crown pub in Wimbledon Village on Monday mornings from **11.00am to 12.15pm**. Please let Catherine know if you are interested on **07970 969143** or at [clparkes23@gmail.com](mailto:clparkes23@gmail.com)

**THE FINAL EVENING BIBLE STUDY** of the year will be on **Thursday 6th December** at Peter Whicheloe's house, **28 Pine Grove, SW19**. We will be looking at Mark 5 and 6. After this meeting there will be a break for Christmas.

**TUESDAY LUNCH** Tuesday 4th December at the home of Joan and David Heaton 53, Murray Road, SW19 from 12.00pm to 1.30pm. All welcome. £3 in aid of the homeless.

**FOOD BANK** Can you imagine being unable to afford even the most basic food for your family? Many of our neighbours in Merton face this if they become unemployed and there is a delay in arranging Benefits. The Food Bank operating out of the Pentecostal Church in High Path, Wimbledon, helps people in need. Can you bring, on the **first Sunday of each month**, one or more of the following items: milk (UHT or powdered), sugar (500g), long-life fruit juice cartons, tinned soup, pasta sauces, tinned sponge pudding, tinned tomatoes, cereals, tinned rice puddings, tea bags, instant mashed potato, rice, pasta, tinned meat or fish, tinned fruit, jam, biscuits or snack bars. If you would like to be more involved see <http://wimbledon.foodbank.org.uk/>.

**MESSIAH CONCERT** St Mary's Choir will be performing Part1 of Handel's Messiah on **Sunday 16th December at 7.45pm**. The soloists will be drawn from the choir and the performance will be accompanied by strings and keyboard continuo. There will be mulled wine and mince pies afterwards. Tickets **£10** for adults, concessions **£5**, under 16s free on sale in Garden Hall after 9.30am service, on the door or email Alison Neilson at [sing@stmaryswimbledon.org](mailto:sing@stmaryswimbledon.org)

**GOVERNOR VACANCY** the governors at Bishop Gilpin are looking for a new governor to work alongside the current chair of the finance committee for the next couple of terms to take over his role as chair in the autumn. If you have experience in finance or accountancy (ideally in the Public Sector) and would like to play an important strategic role at Bishop Gilpin, the governors would like to hear from you. The role will involve: chairing the finance committee; working effectively with the school's business manager; reviewing spending and planning the budget; being comfortable with the school and local authority finance spreadsheets; attending main governing body meetings twice termly. This is a great opportunity to make a valued contribution to this wonderful church school. If you would like more information, please email: [chairofgovernors@bishoppilpin.org](mailto:chairofgovernors@bishoppilpin.org)

**GRAPEVINE** – the December issue is out now so please help yourselves to a copy from the Cross Aisles.

**TRAIDCRAFT** there will be no Traidcraft stall this Sunday.

## Services this Sunday Advent Sunday

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion	<i>president Rev Cynthia Jackson</i>
9.30 am. Sung Eucharist	<i>president &amp; preacher The Rector</i>
11.15am Family Communion	<i>officiant The Rector</i>
	<i>talk Miss Catherine Parkes</i>
6.30 p.m. Advent Carol Service	

**Hymns for Sung Eucharist 9.30am (NEH) 11, 3, 7, 8, 9**  
**Anthem:**

**Hymns for Family Communion 11.15am (HON) 226, 528, sheet Bless the Lord,  
O my soul, 358**

**Advent Carol Service 6.30pm**

## Services next Sunday Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion	<i>president The Rector</i>
9:30 a.m. Sung Eucharist	<i>president The Rector</i>
	<i>preacher Rev Richard Truss</i>
11:15 a.m. Family Service	<i>officiant The Rector</i>
	<i>talk Rev Richard Truss</i>
6.30p.m. Sung Evensong	<i>officiant &amp; preacher Rev Clive Gardner</i>

## Contact

Rector  
The Rev'd Mary Bide  
020 8946 2830  
*Day off Friday*

Rev Cynthia Jackson  
020 8947 5940  
*Not available Monday and Friday*

Reader  
Mrs Joan Ellis

Youth Worker  
Miss Catherine Parkes  
07970 969143

## Team Ministry



### Weekday Services in the Team

**Daily Prayer** is said at:

St Mary's at 8.45am – Tues, Wed, Thurs

St Matthew's at 8.30am – Tues, Wed, Thurs, 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

**Toddler Praise** is at:

St Mary's at 9.15am – Wednesday

### Parish News

**Charity Christmas Cards** Cards for Good Causes, the multi charity Christmas card shop, will be open at St Mark's selling cards, advent calendars, gift tags and wrap **Monday to Saturday from 10.00am to 4.00pm until 18<sup>th</sup> December.**

**Messiah Concert** St Mary's Choir will be performing Part1 of Handel's Messiah on **Sunday 16th December at 7.45pm.** The soloists will be drawn from the choir and the performance will be accompanied by strings and keyboard continuo. There will be mulled wine and mince pies afterwards. Tickets **£10** for adults, concessions **£5**, under 16s free on sale in Garden Hall after 9.30am service, on the door or email Alison Neilson at [sing@stmaryswimbleton.org](mailto:sing@stmaryswimbleton.org)

**Friends of Heathland Court** a new group is seeking volunteers to help the Activity Coordinator with activities, outings or one to one contact for all their frail residents. This is a very worthwhile new initiative so if you could help and would like more information please contact L French, General Manager on **8944 9488** or email [ladanfrench@bupa.com](mailto:ladanfrench@bupa.com)

**Commission4mission** which encourages the commissioning of contemporary Christian art by churches, launches in South London with a Christmas exhibition at Wimbledon Library Gallery, SW19 7NB. 15 artists will show work in a variety of media. The exhibition runs from **4-8 December, 9.30am to 7.00pm (2.00pm Saturday)** and is curated by Wendy McTernan from St Mark's **8946 5850** [commissionformission@blogspot.co.uk](mailto:commissionformission@blogspot.co.uk)

**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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