



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

Sunday 14th December 2014
St Mary's News

WELCOME TO ST MARY'S

If you are a newcomer, please introduce yourself, and join us for coffee in 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.

TODAY WE ARE COLLECTING UNWRAPPED NEW TOYS for children who otherwise would not get a Christmas present. Please bring them to the **TOY SERVICE** at **11.15am TODAY**. These will be distributed by Wimbledon Guild.

CAROLS IN THE FIELD: come and sing Christmas carols in the field adjacent to the Church **THIS AFTERNOON AT 4PM** (followed by mulled wine in Fellowship House).

CARDS: Mary & Mark Bide wish you a very Happy Christmas. Rather than send cards to the congregation, this year we will send the money to the Christian Aid Syrian Appeal. We also invite you all to pop in for a drink on Sunday 4th January anytime between 12.15 and 4pm (ideally not all at the same time!)

CAROL SINGING AROUND THE PARISH: All welcome. Meet at 6.55pm on Thursday 18th December in Garden Hall.

SPIRES CENTRE APPEAL: The Sunday School is planning its annual, much appreciated Christmas Eve delivery of shoe boxes containing Christmas gifts to the Spires Centre for homeless & disadvantaged people in Streatham. All members of the congregation are welcome to participate! Instructions in the porch/Garden Hall/church website.

THE CHRISTMAS ISSUE OF THE GRAPEVINE is now at the cross aisles. Please help yourself. Thank you for all your contributions and to the editorial team.

There are still a few **ST MARY'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE POSTCARDS** to be **distributed**. They are bundled in alphabetical order by street name and are in the church porch. **Please do take a bundle or two and help with the distribution.**

COULD YOU OCCASIONALLY HELP AT SATURDAY BAPTISM SERVICES?

Once, sometimes twice, a month we have a Baptism service at 12 noon on a Saturday. It is very useful to have another person present to help set up, hand out orders of service and tidy up afterwards. It is something that can be done with a child plus adult. **If you might be able to help, please contact The Rector at rector.wimbledon@gmail.com.**

REGULAR ENVELOPE USERS: your weekly envelopes for 2015 are at the cross-aisles. Please do collect them. Anyone else who would like to join the scheme please contact roger@chadder.co.uk or **020 8946 8953**.

THE SIDESMEN'S ROTA for the 8am Communion and 9.30am Eucharist for January-March 2015 has been sent out by email.

ADVENT DISCUSSION GROUP will meet for their final session at the **Rose & Crown, Wimbledon Village, 11am-12 noon on Friday 19th December**. This provides an opportunity to think about Christmas stories in the Gospels, and what they mean for us.

ADVENT GROUP: "The meal Jesus gave us" with Joan Ellis at **8 Leopold Terrace, Dora Road, SW19 7EY** will meet on **Wednesday December 17th at 2pm**. All welcome.

The next **TUESDAY LUNCH** will be on **Tuesday 16th December** at the home of Ursula Edwards, **15 Highbury Road, SW19 7PR, 12.00pm to 1.30pm**. All welcome. Access via a small step to the front door. Pay & Display in the road or please use St Mary's Churchyard. **Cost £4 in aid of Merton Night Shelter.**

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS: We need people to provide lifts to Tuesday lunches. If you can help please contact **Simone Tromans** at simonetromans@yahoo.co.uk.

Please help yourself to a copy of **the most recent edition of THE BRIDGE, the Southwark Diocesan Newspaper**. They are at the cross aisles.

The Church collects on the **FRIST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH** for the **Foodbank which provides emergency food & supplies to local people** who desperately need them. Do bring along non-perishable foodstuffs & household goods and we will deliver them to the Foodbank. Last month Wimbledon's Foodbank fed 280 people (including 98 children), roughly the same as last year. Sponge puddings, tinned meat, fruit juice/squash, ketchup, table sauces & snacks/treats urgently needed (not pasta or beans at present!) Medium sized soap powder & fabric conditioner would also be gratefully received.

THE PARISH OFFICE will be closed on **Friday 19th December**. Details of Christmas & New Year opening times will be on the St Mary's website shortly.

Services this Sunday 14th December, 3rd Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion	<i>president & preacher Rev'd Christopher Griffiths</i>
9.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist	<i>president The Rector</i> <i>preacher Mrs Johanna Hearn</i>
11.15 a.m. Family Service (Toy Service)	<i>president Rev'd Christopher Griffiths</i> <i>talk The Rector</i>
4.00 p.m. Carols in the Field	
6.30 p.m. Sung Evensong	<i>president Rev'd Christopher Griffiths</i>

Hymns for Sung Eucharist 9.30am (HON): 307, 198, 207, 277 (tune 2), 317
Readings: Isaiah 61. 1-4, 8-end, 1 Thessalonians 5. 16-24, John 1. 6-8, 19-28
Anthem: Zion Hoert die Waechter, J S Bach

Hymns for Family Service 11.15am (HON): 358, 180, 226, 317

Hymns for Evensong 6.30pm (NEH): 18, 443, 7

Readings: Malachi 3. 1-4; 4, Philippians 4. 4-7 Psalm: 68. 1-19

Services next Sunday 21st December, 4th Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion	<i>president & preacher Rev'd Cynthia Jackson</i>
9.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist	<i>president Rev'd Cynthia Jackson</i> <i>preacher Rev'd Christopher Griffiths</i>
11.15 a.m. Family Service (Christingle)	<i>president Mrs Johanna Hearn</i> <i>talk Rev'd Christopher Griffiths</i>
4.00 p.m. Carols in the Field	
6.30 p.m. Candelit Carol Service	<i>president The Rector</i>

Contact

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*Full details of Diocesan procedures can
be found in the vestry or at:*

**[www.southwark.anglican.org/what/
diocesan-policies-procedures](http://www.southwark.anglican.org/what/diocesan-policies-procedures)**

Team Ministry



Weekday Services in the Team

Daily Prayer will be said at:

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

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 1.00pm – Wednesday

St Mary's at 10.30am – Thursday

Toddler Praise is at:

St Mary's at 9.15am - Wednesday

Parish News

SUPPORT ST RAPHAEL'S HOSPICE by ordering your Christmas tree from Eddie who will deliver it free to SW19 & SW20 at a time that suits you. **Prices £45-£150 with 10% of profits going to St Raphael's Hospice. Contact 07909 764285 or eddiesxmastrees@gmail.com**

URSULINE HIGH SCHOOL is seeking to appoint:

GCSE and A Level Business Studies Teacher (urgently required for January).

Also, Administrative Assistant/Student Services

Details and Application forms from Mrs Martin on 020 8879 4381

Please note that **THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAY 19TH DECEMBER.**

Please send news items (via email) to the Parish Office by Wednesday of each week

The Parish Office, Fellowship House, 30 St Mary's Road, SW19 7BP. Tel: 020 8946 2605

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