



Welcome to St Mary's Church

Wimbledon

Sunday 6th December 2015
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.

MORNING PRAYER from 1st December will be daily in church (Monday-Friday)

TOY SERVICE: please bring a new unwrapped toy to the 11.15 service on 13th December for distribution to children who otherwise would not get a present this Christmas.

ST MARY'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE POSTCARDS are now ready for distribution. 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.**

FOUNTAIN GROUP ADVENT SERVICE, 4pm on 11th December in St Mary's Chancel. It will last about half an hour and be followed by hot drinks and mince pies. If you are a carer of someone who is elderly or someone with dementia, they are welcome too. **Enquiries to: Rev'd Christopher Griffiths on 020 8879 0788 wimbledonteamcurate@gmail.com or Shara Leonard on 020 8241 1170 familyleonard@blueyonder.co.uk**

OUR CHRISTMAS COLLECTION FOR THE WIMBLEDON FOODBANK IS TODAY! PLEASE LEAVE YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE CHURCH PORCH. Our foodbank provides emergency food and supplies for local people in desperate need. In October it fed 283 people (including 115 children) and urgently needs long life milk, part baked bread/rolls/baguettes, squash and sponge puddings. Medium sized soap powder and fabric conditioner, shower gel and shampoo are also still much needed. **Donations from St Mary's really matter. Please do help to make a difference if you possibly can, especially to families relying on our charity this Christmas. Perhaps you could provide some Christmas treats too?**

Please wrap up warmly on Sunday 13th December and join us for **CAROLS IN THE FIELD** at 4pm followed by mulled wine and mince pies in Garden Hall.

CAROL SINGING around the streets of Wimbledon Village. **Meet at 18.55 on Tuesday 22nd December in Garden Hall.** All welcome!

SPIRES CENTRE APPEAL: please hang on to your empty shoe boxes in anticipation of the annual Christmas appeal for the Spires centre for homeless and disadvantaged people in Streatham. Instructions to follow!

CHORAL SCHOLARSHIPS AT ST MARY'S: we are looking for **four promising teenage singers (ideally 11 or 12, and one of each voice part, but an organist would also be considered)** to join **St Marys Choir** from **January for Friday evening rehearsals and Sunday services**, and to follow the excellent work of our current three who will support them. **The scholarship is £500.** Please spread the word. For those interested & for more info contact **max.barley89@gmail.com**

There will be **NO TRADICRAFT STALL** running today, **6th December.**

TUESDAY LUNCHESES next meet on **8th December, 12-1.30 pm**, at the home of Ursula Edwards, **15 Highbury Road , SW19 7PR.** Access is on the flat. There are a few spaces for parking on the drive, otherwise on meters in the road. Cost **£4** in aid of British Legion Poppy Appeal. All welcome.

TUTORED WINE TASTING: the new SW London Council of Christians and Jews is organising a **wine tasting on Monday 14th December, 7.30pm at St Mary's Garden Hall.** The event will feature Israeli wines and Christian wines from the Holy Land (including samples from the Trappist Monks at Latrun monastery). The tasting will be accompanied by an explanation of the religious significance of wines in the Christian and Jewish traditions (with the Rector representing the Christian tradition). There is a **£10** charge to cover the costs. **If you would like to come, please call Dominic Hobson on 020 7228 3013 or email dominichobson@dominichobson.com**

GARDEN HALL IS HOSTING OUR NIGHT SHELTER GUESTS weekly throughout **December and January.** **Donations** of cotton sweatshirts, t-shirts, men's belts, outdoor jackets, anoraks, waterproofs, hats, gloves, scarves, socks and men's boots and trainers always welcome. **Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.**

CHURCHYARD BEEKEEPING: Thanks to all those who have so far expressed an interest in / help to fund the initial stages of beekeeping and honey-production at St Mary's. Winter may be low activity time for bees, but there is plenty of preparation required for keepers; hive and frame building, maintenance and cleaning, and learning and training before the Spring. **To register your interest in joining the Bee-team, please email Colin at stmarysbees@yahoo.com** with an indication of how and when you can assist. All ages and experience welcome.

RECTOR'S RETIREMENT: If you would like to contribute to a collection for the Rector's retirement present, please either write a **cheque to 'St Mary's Church' with 'Rector's retirement'** on the reverse and **send to the Parish office, or donate online to NatWest** sort code: **60-24-07, account no: 50022938** and use 'Rectors retirement' as a reference. **Cheques are preferable if possible, thank you.**

Mary's final Sunday with us will be 17th January. On that day there will be ONE service. The service, a Parish Eucharist, will be **at 10.30am followed by a bring-and-share lunch to be held at Bishop Gilpin School** due to the large numbers expected to attend.

The **PARISH EVENTS listing for December** is available for view on the church website, or there are paper copies at the cross aisles.

Services this Sunday 6th December 2015, Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion	<i>president & preacher The Rector</i>
9.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist	<i>president Rev'd Christopher Griffiths</i> <i>preacher The Rector</i>
11.15 a.m. Family Communion	<i>leader Rev'd Christopher Griffiths</i> <i>talk The Rector</i>
6:30 pm Choral Evensong	<i>president & preacher Rev'd Dr Helen Orchard</i>

Hymns for Sung Eucharist 9.30am (NEH): 7, 1, 12, 499, 10

Readings: Malachi 3. 1-4, Philippians 1. 3-11, Luke 3. 1-6

Anthem: O Nata Lux, Tallis

Voluntary: Nun komm der Heiden Heiland, J S Bach, BWV 661

Hymns for Family Communion 11.15am (HON/Sheet) 329, 256, 434, Longing for light *sheet*

Hymns for Choral Evensong 6.30pm (NEH): 15, 5, 451

Readings: Isaiah 40. 1-11, Luke 1. 1-25

Setting: Dyson in F major

Responses: Smith

Anthem: Bring us O Lord, Harris

Psalm: 75

Voluntary: Nun komm der Heiden Heiland, J S Bach, BWV 661

Services next Sunday 13th December 2015, Third 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 Rev'd Christopher Griffiths</i>
11.15 a.m. Family Service (Toy Service)	<i>leader The Rector</i> <i>talk Mrs D Boyce</i>
4.00 p.m. Carols in the Field	
6:30 pm Choral Evensong	<i>president Mrs Johanna Hearn</i> <i>preacher The Rector</i>

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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, Tue, 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 (Garden Hall) at 9.15am – Wednesday

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ACADEMY CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT AT ST JOHN'S on Thursday 17th December, 7pm-8.15pm followed by festive refreshments. A concert of favourite Christmas music and carols sung by The Academy Choir, with Andrew Edwards (conductor) and Peter Bullett (organ). **Admittance free of charge. Donations to St John's Community Hall Fund.**

MUSIC BY THE COMMONS, 730pm – 930pm, Saturday 12th December at St John's Church Spencer Hill, SW19 4NZ. Petra Hajducova & Christopher Bundhun play Greensleeves, Vivaldi, Ponce, Beethoven and a carol or two. Admission £12, (£10 concessions), students and pupils free. **Enquiries: 020 8789 1498 www.musicbythecommons.org.uk**

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

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