



Welcome to St Mary's Church

Wimbledon

Sunday 20th 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.

CAROL SINGING: our choir will be patrolling the village singing **Christmas carols on Tuesday 22nd December**. This is suitable for families and our singers visit Christmas parties, pubs, homes, restaurants, as well as serenading local residents on the streets around our church. Please do let **Andrew Lenon** know (andrewlenon@yahoo.com) if you are hosting an event on this evening which might be thus enhanced! All collections are made for **The Children's Society**. Meet at 18.55 sharp in Garden Hall. All welcome!

SPIRES CENTRE SHOE BOX APPEAL. It's not too late to take part in supporting the Spires Centre for homeless and disadvantaged people in Streatham. **Please bring a wrapped shoe box with non-perishable gifts (marked for man, woman or either) to the church by Wednesday 23rd December.**

WE HOPE YOU ENJOYED THE CHRISTMAS EDITION OF THE GRAPEVINE? There are many ways you can enjoy Grapevine: hard copy, via the website or electronically. **If you would prefer to receive a copy by email, please contact us at wimbledongrapevine@gmail.com and we will ensure a copy is emailed to you as soon as it comes out.**

IDEAS FOR THE GRAPEVINE WELCOME. We couldn't put the Grapevine together without contributions from our congregation members. So if you have any **ideas on articles, would like to write a piece for inclusion or have any feedback** on how you feel the publication could be improved we would love to hear from you. **Please contact wimbledongrapevine@gmail.com.**

PRAY AND FAST FOR THE CLIMATE. Friday 1st January 2016, 12.30-1pm at the Congregational Church, Dundonald Road, SW19 3QH. All welcome. Enquiries to julietboyd@doctors.org.uk.

ENVELOPE USERS. The 2016 coloured envelopes are in boxes on the north cross-aisle. Please collect yours. If there isn't one for you, or you are running out, or you would like to join the scheme, please ask: roger@chadder.co.uk (020 8946 8953) for a further supply.

THE SIDESMEN'S ROTA for the 8am Communion and 9.30am Eucharist from January-March 2016 has been sent out by email.

CHORAL SCHOLARSHIPS AT ST MARY'S: we are looking for four promising teenage singers (ideally in years 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 more info contact max.barley89@gmail.com

TUESDAY LUNCHESES' next get together is on 12th January 2016. Details to follow.

NIGHT SHELTER IS RUNNING WEEKLY throughout December and January. Donations of cotton sweatshirts, t-shirts, men's belts, outdoor jackets, anoraks, waterproofs, hats, gloves, scarves, socks & men's boots & trainers always welcome. Cotton items are most in demand. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.

LOW CARBON SUNDAYS – Last Sunday of the Month: 27th December. You are encouraged to leave your car at home. Do read the leaflet (which you will find at the cross-aisles) entitled 'Nine ways to live gently on earth'. You will see ideas for those who need to come to church by car. Thank you.

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 & use 'Rectors retirement' as a reference.

MARY'S FINAL SUNDAY with us will be 17th January. On that day there will be ONE service. This 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.

We continue to collect for the **WIMBLEDON FOODBANK** on the first Sunday of each month.

DETAILS FOR PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS OVER THE CHRISTMAS PERIOD WILL BE PUBLISHED ON THE ST MARY'S WEBSITE SHORTLY

Services this Sunday 20th December 2015, Fourth 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 Christopher Griffiths</i> <i>preacher Rev'd Cynthia Jackson</i>
11.15 a.m.	Family Service (Christingle)	<i>leader & talk Rev'd Christopher Griffiths</i>
6:30 pm	Candelit Carol Service	<i>president The Rector</i>

Hymns for Sung Eucharist 9.30am (NEH): 186, 161 (tune 385), 10, 295, 11, 22

Readings: Micah 5. 2-5a, Hebrews 10. 5-10, Luke 1. 39-45

Anthem: And the Glory of the Lord, Handel Voluntary: In Dulci Jubilo, J S Bach

Hymns for Christingle 11.15am (HON/Sheet) 377 (tune 1), 248, Christingle Song, 51, 357

Hymns for Candelit Carol Service 6.30pm (See Sheet)

Services on Christmas Eve, Thursday 24th December

10:30 a.m.	Holy Communion
4:30 p.m.	Crib Service
6:00 p.m.	Crib Service
11.30 p.m.	First Eucharist of Christmas

Services on Christmas Day, Friday 25th December

8:00 a.m.	Holy Communion
9.30 a.m.	Sung Eucharist
11.15 a.m.	Family Service

Services next Sunday 27th December 2015, First Sunday of Christmas

8:00 a.m.	Holy Communion	<i>president & preacher The Rector</i>
9.30 a.m.	Sung Eucharist	<i>president & preacher The Rector</i>
11.15 a.m.	NO SERVICE	
6:30 pm	Said Evening Prayer	<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, 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

Parish News

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ADVENTURES IN ANGLICANISM, a joint venture of Whitelands College, Roehampton University and the local deaneries, provides an opportunity to explore themes related to contemporary Christian life and faith. **You are cordially invited to our next series "Living Spirit and Reason" on Thursdays 14th, 21st and 28th January at 7pm for 7.30pm.** There is no cost, but please book a place with the College Officer, Paul Coward at paul.coward@roehampton.ac.uk or **020 8392 3511**. On enrolment you will receive some readings to help you prepare for the sessions.

The **PARISH OFFICE** will be closed from Thursday 24th December, reopening on Monday 11th January. We wish you a very Happy Christmas and Peaceful New Year.

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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