



Welcome to **St Mary's Church** **Wimbledon** **Sunday 22nd October 2017**

St Mary's News

The Rector and Churchwardens are delighted to announce that the **Rev'd Nils Bersweden** will be licensed as Associate Vicar of St Mary's on the **5th February 2018**.

THE GRAPEVINE: Please pick up the latest edition of The Grapevine which is available from today.

SUNDAY SCHOOL for children aged 3+ is at **9.25am Garden Hall**.

CONGRATULATIONS to **David and Maureen Kitcherside** who were married at St Mary's on 21st October 1957. They celebrate their **Diamond** wedding anniversary this weekend.

There will be **NO TRAIDCRAFT** today **22nd October**.

LIGHT PARTY, Sunday 29th October, 3 – 5pm, Garden Hall for 5-12 year olds. Younger children are welcome, but an adult must stay. Please dress in bright colours and come and join in with crafts, games and activities. There may even be sparklers!

RSVP: yunghee@stmaryswimbledon.org

The **ANNUAL BEREAVEMENT SERVICE** will take place at **St Mary's** on **Sunday 5th November at 3pm**. If there is someone you would like remembered in the service please write their name in **CLEAR BLOCK CAPITALS** on the **lists provided at the cross aisles** of the church. This year the Choir will be singing sections from Brahms Requiem during the service.

WELCOMERS FOR THE SERVICE@11.15: we would be grateful for **any new volunteers** to join the welcoming rota. It involves a few quick tasks immediately before, during and after the 11.15am service, including welcoming the congregation, giving out service sheets and hymn books, organising the collection and so on. **For more information please email Nick Harvey:** nharvey@yahoo.co.uk

HYMN SUGGESTIONS FOR THE SERVICE@11.15am: If there are hymns that you would like us to sing at this service please put suggestions in the box at the cross aisles. If the hymn is not already in one of our hymn books, it would be very helpful if you would include either the music and words or let us know in which hymn book it can be found.

SINGING GROUP FOR THE SERVICE@11.15: for those keen to brush away vocal cobwebs and to encourage lusty singing at the 11.15am, Max will be running a short session (20 minutes) after the service, practising hymns – traditional and modern, to be sung at future services. All ages are welcome and encouraged. The sessions will be weekly initially. We hope that this group will then give a strong lead in the hymn-singing at services. **The first session will be on Sunday 15th October.** Please all stay for this.

VERGER'S FOR THE SERVICE@11.15: We need people to help prepare the church for **The Service@11.15** and tidy up and lock the church afterwards. We already have a couple of volunteers, but many hands make light work. We will be running a training session at 11am on Saturday 2nd December. The training is for adults and any children who would like to be involved and come with their parents. Please get in touch with Mandy if you are willing to volunteer and let her know if you can come to the training session. We are aiming to have vergers who just look after the 11.15am service from 1st January 2018.

MERTON WINTER NIGHT SHELTER: Once again St Mary's will be opening its doors to the **MERTON WINTER NIGHT SHELTER** providing food and accommodation to the homeless. St Mary's will be running the shelter on **Wednesday evenings to Thursday mornings and this year we will be opening at the end of November.** The shelter runs **for 7 weeks excluding Christmas week.** During their stay at the shelter, guests are offered support with the aim of helping them move on. There are a variety of ways volunteers can help; assisting generally with the shelter, being part of the catering team providing a hot meal, to running a 'transport' system for our guests' luggage. **If you would like to volunteer or to find out more please email Jane Bush: jane@thebushes.net**

ST MARY'S PRE-SCHOOL PLAYGROUP, GARDEN HALL: (children 0-5yrs). Monday during term time, 9.30-11am, £2 per family. This half term we are running a **free session on Monday 23rd October from 9.30am-11.00am.** Great selection of toys, a themed craft activity, singing and music. Refreshments will be provided. No booking necessary. Follow us on Facebook @stmaryplay
Please do not park in the church grounds. There are metered bays on the roads around the church.

WIMBLEDON FOODBANK: Foodbanks shouldn't be necessary but they are. It shouldn't take acts of charity to feed people in Merton but it does. Our local foodbank relies on the gifts to feed people in our community. **St Mary's next collection will take place on Sunday 6 November.** The Foodbank urgently needs instant coffee, instant mash, juice/squash, sugar, jam, UHT milk and fabric conditioner (they have plenty of beans). Thank you for continuing to make a difference.

The Parish Office is open from 9am-1pm, weekdays.

Services this Sunday 22nd October, 19th Sunday after Trinity

8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion	<i>president & preacher: The Rev'd Mark Budden</i>
9.30 a.m.	Sung Eucharist	<i>president & preacher: The Rector</i>
11.15 a.m.	Informal Worship & Holy Baptism	<i>president & preacher: The Rector</i>
6.30 p.m.	Choral Evensong	<i>president: The Rector</i> <i>preacher: The Rev'd Clive Gardner</i>

Hymns for Sung Eucharist 9.30am (HON) 17, 518, 54, 15

Readings: Isaiah 45.1-7; 1 Thessalonians 1.1-10; Matthew 22.15-22

Responsorial Psalm: 96.1-9

Hymns for 11.15am (HON): 121, 347, 172

Hymns for Choral Evensong, 6.30pm (NEH): 244, 456, 408

Readings: Proverbs 4.1-18; 1 John 3.16-4.6

Psalm: 142

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Readings for 29th October: *am* Nehemiah 8.1-4a, 8-12; Colossians 3.12-17;
Matthew 24.30-35

pm Ecclesiastes 11,12; 2 Timothy 2.1-7

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WEEKLY SERVICES IN THE TEAM

Monday	Daily Prayer	St Mary's 12 noon	
Tuesday	Morning Prayer	St Matthew's 8.30am	St Mary's 8.45am
Wednesday	Morning Prayer Eucharist	St Matthew's 8.30am St Matthew's 10am	St Mary's 8.45am St Mark's 1.00pm
Thursday	Morning Prayer Eucharist	St Matthew's 8.30am St Mary's 10.30am	St Mary's 8.45am
Friday	Morning Prayer	St Matthew's 8.30am	St Mary's 8.45am
Saturday	Daily Prayer	St Mary's 12 noon	

PARISH NEWS

TEAM PRAYERS at St Mark's on Thursday 26th October at 12.30pm.

WOC, the friendly un auditioned choir for anyone aged 70+ who enjoys singing, **WILL RESUME TODAY, SUNDAY 22ND OCTOBER AT 2.30 AT ST MARY'S.**

FOUNTAIN GROUP welcomes Carers of the elderly and those with dementia. On **Wednesday 25th October** our guest will be Fiona Hamilton, a practicing Osteopath and teacher at the London School of Osteopathy. Contact Shara Leonard: parish.office@stmaryswimbleton.org

BISHOP RICHARD HARRIES is coming to speak about his new book 'The Beauty and the Horror', **25th October at 8pm in the Garden Hall.** All welcome.

PARISH AWAY DAY 25TH NOVEMBER: The Rector is looking for people to lead discussions about mission and ministry in relation to the following topics at the **Parish Away Day on the 25th November.** If you are interested in or already involved in one of these areas please get in touch with her.

Suggested topics so far are: Justice and Peace, Children, Young People, Homelessness and Poverty, Pastoral Care, Music, Schools, Halls, Premises and Events, Ministry to the Elderly, Social Media, International Mission, Evangelism through talking, Creation and the Environment. Training in leading the conversation will be given.

WYC: Wimbledon Youth Choir, a fun, friendly group of young singers, aged roughly 14-25, meets **in St Mary's TODAY, from 4-5pm.** Highlights this year include Verdi Requiem in Southwark cathedral on **17th March, 2018.** Feel free just to turn up.

Please email news items by Wednesday each week to parish.office@stmaryswimbleton.org
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