



# Welcome to St Mary's Church Wimbledon Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December 2017

## St Mary's News



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### WISHING YOU ALL A HAPPY AND BLESSED CHRISTMAS

**2018 ENVELOPES:** are at the cross-aisle for regular users. Even if you don't use them every week and have some 2017 envelopes left, please look and see if there is one with your name on it.

**QUIZ NIGHT:** Date for your diary. The **St Mary's Quiz Night** will take place on **20<sup>th</sup> January. Tickets will be on sale in the New Year.**

**BAROQUE SOIREE:** Harpsichord recital by Pawel Siwczak on **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018** at 38 Marryat Road, SW19 5BD. Pawel Siwczak, award winning harpsichordist and the director of the London Concert Society will give a harpsichord recital with works including those by Johann Sebastian Bach. Doors open at 7.30pm, event is from 8.00 – 9.00pm. **As this is a private home, booking is essential.** Ticket price £15 and £5 concs and booking fees apply. Purchase tickets from <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/lonconsoc>

**WIMBLEDON FOODBANK:** Thank you for your excellent response to our Christmas foodbank appeal which was greatly appreciated. Sadly foodbanks (like puppies!) are not just for Christmas and it still takes acts of charity to feed people in Merton through the emotional lull of January. **The next collection at St Mary's will take place on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January.** The Foodbank urgently needs instant mash, rice, noodles, ketchup, shampoo and small packets of soap powder (they have plenty of beans). Thank you so much for continuing to make a difference!

**WEEKLY NEWS SHEETS:** Following on from the Parish Away Day on 25<sup>th</sup> November, where one of the key issues highlighted was communication, we will be re-designing the weekly News Sheet. The Parish and St Mary's News Sheet will no longer be separated and details of services will go to the back page. If you have any suggestions on how to improve the News Sheet please get in touch with the Rector by 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

**VERGERS FOR 9.30AM SERVICE:** More volunteer vergers are needed to help with the 9.30am service. The duties involve helping set up for the service and assisting the servers to tidy up afterwards. Training will be provided. Please let Mandy, Alison or Liz know if you are interested in helping with this background but important role.

**INTERCESSORS FOR THE SERVICE@11.15:** we would like to recruit more adults and children to lead intercession prayers during The Service@11.15. We already have a couple of volunteers who are doing an excellent job but would be grateful if more of you including children would take part. We will be running a training session. For more information contact Yunghee at [yunghee@stmaryswimbleton.org](mailto:yunghee@stmaryswimbleton.org)

**TUESDAY LUNCHES** meet again on on **9<sup>th</sup> January 2018** , 12noon – 1.30pm - **at the home of Susan Mayo, 38 Marryat Road, SW19 5BDd.** Access: on the flat, one step. Parking: on the drive and meter parking on the road. Cost of lunch is £4 which is donated to charity. Please **contact Lucy Ennis by Friday of the previous week on 0208 947 8097** should you need a **lift**. Other enquiries to: **Simone Tromans on 07747 804 926** or [simonetromans@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:simonetromans@yahoo.co.uk).

The **TUESDAY Lunch Group** would welcome new **HOSTS and DRIVERS**. If you would like to host a lunch in your home, or are able to offer lifts to and/or from the lunches, **please contact Simone**.

**The Parish Office will be CLOSED from 25thDecember – 1<sup>st</sup> January**

## Services this Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December, Christmas Eve

9.00 a.m.	Sung Eucharist	<i>president: The Rev'd Cynthia Jackson</i>
		<i>preacher: The Rector</i>
4.30 p.m.	Crib Service	<i>president: The Rector</i>
6.00 p.m.	Crib Service	<i>president: The Rector</i>
11.30 p.m.	Midnight Mass	<i>president: The Rector</i>
		<i>Preacher: The Archdeacon of Lambeth</i>

## Services next Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> December, 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Christmas

8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion	<i>president &amp; preacher: The Rector</i>
9.30 a.m.	Sung Eucharist	<i>president &amp; preacher: The Rector</i>
11.15 a.m.	Informal Worship	<i>president &amp; preacher: The Rector</i>
18.30 p.m.	Said Evensong	<i>minister: The Rector</i>
		<i>(No Sermon)</i>

**Readings for 31<sup>st</sup> December:** *am Isaiah 61.10-62.3, Galatians 4.4-7, Luke 2,15-21*  
*pm Isaiah 35, Colossians 1.9-20, Psalm 132*

### Contact

#### Rector

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rector@stmaryswimbleton.org

#### Curate

The Rev'd Yunghee Koh  
The Curate is on leave from Boxing Day  
until 31<sup>st</sup> December

#### Rev'd Cynthia Jackson

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#### Safeguarding Officer

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## WEEKLY SERVICES IN THE TEAM

<b>Monday</b>	Daily Prayer		
<b>Tuesday</b>	Morning Prayer	St Matthew's 8.30am	
<b>Wednesday</b>	Morning Prayer Eucharist	St Matthew's 8.30am St Matthew's 10am	St Mark's 1.00pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Morning Prayer Eucharist	St Matthew's 8.30am	St Mary's 8.45am
<b>Friday</b>	Morning Prayer	St Matthew's 8.30am	

## PARISH NEWS

**NEW YEAR RESOLUTION?** Spend half an hour at St Mark's Church (Chapter room) with **Pray and Fast for the Climate. Monday 1<sup>st</sup> January from 12.30pm – 1pm.**

Enquiries: [julietboyd@doctors.org.uk](mailto:julietboyd@doctors.org.uk)

**BISHOP GILPIN CoFE PRIMARY SCHOOL:** is currently consulting on proposed changes to its Admissions Arrangements for the 2019/2020 academic year. Specifically, it is proposed that the current admissions criteria and explanatory notes documents are combined to form a single admissions policy and that the activities which will be deemed to constitute "active involvement in the work and mission of a church" are defined, in order to provide clarity to parents. The proposed new policy for admissions and the revised supplementary information form are available to view on the school website at [www.bishopgilpin.org](http://www.bishopgilpin.org) under the Admissions section. The consultation period will run until 12 January 2018.

**WOC**, the friendly choir for anyone aged 70+ who enjoys singing will resume on **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January at 2.30pm at St Mary's.** All welcome!

**WYC: Wimbledon Youth Choir**, a fun, friendly group of young singers, aged roughly 14 – 25, meets in St Mary's on Sundays from 4 – 5pm. **Meetings will resume on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January.** A highlight will be Verdi's Requiem in Southwark Cathedral on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

**The Parish Office will be closed from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> to Monday 1st January**

Please email news items by Wednesday each week to [parish.office@stmaryswimbledon.org](mailto:parish.office@stmaryswimbledon.org)  
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