

THE CLARION

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The Drama of Holy Week and Easter

For the past two years our keeping of Holy Week and Easter has been limited because of lockdown and restrictions. This year we are largely back to 'normal' practice, and we hope you will come along to join us here at church for our Passiontide and Easter observances. Happily, we are no longer restricted in terms of numbers in church as we were last year, when we somehow managed to squeeze 150 people, and distanced!

The story of Holy Week and Easter is not just a narrative to be read and remembered year on year. It is a drama to be acted out – indeed, lived out – in our worship and our liturgy. When we come to church for those Holy Week services, we come as participants and actors, and not mere spectators. It is a drama in three acts.

Act I began with Ash Wednesday, back at the beginning of March, when many of us came to church to be marked with the sign of the cross in ash, as a sign of our penitence and of our salvation. This set the stage for what is to come next.

Act II starts on Palm Sunday and takes us through to the Saturday before Easter Day. We will begin by processing into church from the garden, carrying palm branches and palm crosses. This recalls Christ's triumphal coming into Jerusalem, when the people acclaimed him as a king coming in victory, with shouts of Hosanna.

Then Holy Week begins, taking us through the Passion: Christ's arrest, and execution on the cross. The Gospels tell us that the crowds turned from

acclaiming him to crying out for his crucifixion. During Holy Week, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, we will say Compline together (by Zoom). You can join via the link (see page 2) or by telephone.

On Thursday evening we have the Liturgy for Maundy Thursday, one of the richest and most powerful services of the year. In this act, so much is going on, it is hard to know where to look. The Footwashing (now allowed again) enacts Jesus' command to loving service. The celebration of the Eucharist remembers the Last Supper shared by Jesus with his disciples. The Vigil at the end, when we keep watch and pray, takes us to the Garden of Gethsemane to recall Jesus' agony in Gethsemane before his betrayal and arrest.

The final scene of this, Act II is on Good Friday when we act out the Crucifixion narrative. In the morning at 10.30 there will be a family friendly Stations of the Cross, followed by hot cross buns in the church hall. Then at 1.30pm, in church, the Liturgy for Good Friday will include a dramatic reading of the Passion according to John, with some wonderful music and prayers. It is hoped that many St Mary's members will come along to keep this solemn day together.

On Holy Saturday, with Jesus' body laid to rest in his tomb and the guard keeping watch, his friends kept the Sabbath. In church it is not so much an interval in the drama, as a changing of the scenery. At St Mary's, we will be preparing for Easter Sunday, by decorating the church, and making things ready for Easter Day. At 5.30pm, we will say Evening Prayer, followed by a short meditation.

Act III begins on Easter Sunday, the main 10.30am service will include the blessing of the Paschal candle, and the festal celebration of the Holy



Image: Westminster Presbyterian Church, Durham

Eucharist for Easter Day. The music will be provided by an octet made up of our choral scholars and professional singers. This will be a wonderful occasion, which we hope will draw in not just members of our congregation but also our local neighbours and visitors.

Jenny Welsh

Holy Week and Easter Services 2022



Palm Sunday 10 April

8am Holy Eucharist (BCP)

10.30am Sung Holy Eucharist

with the Liturgy and sermon for Palm Sunday

Monday 11 April – Wednesday 13 April

8.15pm Night prayers and meditation for Holy Week online

<https://tinyurl.com/SMTBHolyWeek>

Or join by telephone: 0203 481 5237

Meeting ID: 878 8016 5724

Passcode: 974034

Maundy Thursday 14 April

7pm Sung Holy Eucharist

with Footwashing and Vigil

Good Friday 15 April

10.30am The Way of the Cross for children and families

1.30pm The Good Friday Liturgy with sermon

Holy Saturday 16 April

5.30pm Evening Prayer and Meditation (in church)

Easter Day 17 April

8am Holy Eucharist (BCP)

10.30am Festal Eucharist for Easter with renewal of Baptismal Promises



Report of the March PCC Meeting

The PCC met in the church hall on Wednesday 9 March, with the main focus to approve the church Accounts for the year ending 31 December 2021. Carolyn Stubbs, our Treasurer, works tirelessly all year firstly on our Budget and then on our Report and Accounts to make sure the PCC is in the best place possible to understand the church's financial position at any one time. Consequently a very comprehensive Consolidated Accounts document was produced for the PCC to look at, and after Carolyn had gone through it and answered questions, the Consolidated Accounts were agreed by the PCC and can be forwarded to our auditor. The 2021 Accounts will be formally adopted at the APCM on 24 April.

Clair Gordon, our Safeguarding Officer, was in attendance at the meeting. She gave her annual Safeguarding report and our revised Safeguarding Policy Statement was adopted and will be displayed at the entrance to the church.

Leo Fraser-Mackenzie presented the Schedule of Works drawn up by the Fabric Committee, which details all planned repairs to our historic building. Some of the future and more significant (and costly) items were highlighted, including the refurbishment of the organ and a possible reorganisation at the back of the church to improve the amount of circulation space.

Finally, the PCC was unanimous in its deep appreciation of the music offerings at St Mary's over the past year. We are continually impressed by our

choral scholars, the professionals who give recitals, and the efforts of our Come & Sing choir, all of whom are ably led by John Ward.

The PCC will next meet together for the APCM, when departing members will be thanked for their contributions during the past year and newly elected members will be welcomed wholeheartedly. If you would consider sitting on the PCC, please do not hesitate to speak to the Vicar.

Joanna Hackett
PCC Secretary

Annual Meeting of the Parishioners for the election of Church Wardens Sunday 24 April 2022 at 12.15pm

Annual Parochial Church Meeting Sunday 24 April 2022 at 12.30 pm

Light refreshments will be served before the start of the meetings.

Our Annual Meetings are coming up in the next few weeks. The first, called the Meeting of Parishioners, is where we elect our Churchwardens for the coming year, and involves anyone resident in our parish, or who is on the Electoral Roll – it usually takes just a few moments to complete. The second meeting is the APCM, and is a meeting of anyone on the Electoral Roll – those for whom St Mary's is their church home. It is at this meeting that we will receive the financial accounts for 2021, as well as reports on the activities of our church. It is also the meeting where the new members of the PCC are elected, along with the appointment of our Independent Examiner for our Accounts. These are all procedures required by law, and so may seem like a dull sort of rubber stamping exercise, for the sake of compliance. In fact they are a kind of sign that the life and governance of our church are accountable to the wider church and indeed our local community. These meetings are also where we are given the chance to get excited about our church and its ministry and to celebrate the life of St Mary's, and all that we do here.

This is the first time in two years that our Annual Meetings have been held in person, since during the pandemic we were only allowed to meet via Zoom. It is therefore a chance to give thanks for those people who have served our church and sustained our ministry since 2020, particularly the members of the PCC who are standing down after their three year term. We are at a new stage in our life together as we look at our mission here in our parish – and we are keen to have new members on the PCC who will help us to grow in creativity, in confidence and in compassion over the course of the next years. If you would like to know more, or would like to be elected to the PCC, please speak with the Vicar or one of the current members.

Papers for APCM will be available in the next weeks before the meeting. Please make it a priority to be there if you can.

Jenny Welsh, Vicar



Photo: J. Ellard

Vision 2030 and our Parish

The text is an edited version of the sermon preached on Sunday 13 March by the Vicar

Our vision is for every Londoner to encounter the love of God in Jesus Christ

The Diocese of London, of which we are a part, has made this statement the vision for mission and ministry for the next decade or so. Every parish church in the diocese is being asked to take this vision as their own and to see how to make that vision a reality in each local context.



Our Parish council has been looking at this vision, and recently I preached about what we have come up with so far, in the hope that each of us may catch that vision too. Here at St Mary's we think it is at the heart of what we are for as a church: to display the love of God revealed in the work and ministry, in the death and resurrection of Jesus. It is not that we expect everyone to become Christians, though we pray that many will; nor is it just to make our church grow in number and flourish, though we pray it will. Rather, it is to be faithful to the call and show to people who may never have experienced it, what God's love is like, and also to trust Christ to be faithful to his promise to draw everyone to himself.

The vision involves three ambitions that we want to aim for:

Confident Disciples

The first point is that that we develop a confidence to share what our faith means to us, the hope that the Gospel gives us, and the good news of God's love. This might raise a mental picture of those annoying street corner evangelists, or the kinds of churches that we might normally shy away from,

but that is not what it means. Being a disciple means being a follower of Jesus (going where he leads) and a copier of Jesus (doing what he does). We know what this looks like because his life is laid out in the



Gospel accounts: how he went about doing good, healing the sick, feeding the hungry, and caring for the outcasts; proclaiming that God's kingdom is here and now – and not just something to look forward to when we die – and showing his friends and indeed his enemies, what love means, by giving himself for them on the Cross.

We become confident disciples by encouraging each other in the retelling over and over again of the Christian story, by studying the Bible and the tradition of the church, by being more faithful in prayer and worship.

Our PCC is looking at how we can do this here at St Mary's by regenerating our Sunday School provision and supporting its leaders; by going back to the old model of lay-led Bible studies and discussion groups, not just in Lent, but year round; by encouraging new people to take on roles in services as readers, intercessors, sidespeople, and welcomers; to consider serving on the PCC and taking part in the decision making here; and by thinking about what it means to be disciples when we are not in church, among our workmates, our families and neighbours.

Compassionate Community

The Gospel writers often describe Jesus as being moved with compassion. Compassion is literally a visceral response that connects us to the people around of us at the most basic level



of our common humanity, each being made in the image of God. It changes how we do good to others, not just donating money to people 'over there', but connecting with the person in front of us, making relationships, and building community at church, in the wider parish, and wider world.

Here at St Mary's we want to think about developing teams of volunteers to visit the local nursing home; or providing a safe place of refreshment and peace in our building; or seeing how we can work with local community and church groups to address issues of isolation or mental illness, to support older people or young families. Covid has taken a terrible toll on peoples' well-being. Our parish now includes many refugees, displaced and homeless people, all of whom need to know that they are loved by God, and therefore by us. Compassion needs also to extend to future generations, by addressing the climate emergency in every way we can.

Creative Growth

Our church is being called to grow. We would love our congregation to fill the pews every Sunday; we would be thrilled to be able to offer lots of opportunities for learning and praying and welcome. We have lost some of our congregation in the past two years: a few have died, a few have moved away, some find coming to church difficult due to age or physical frailty; others have simply lost the habit of coming to church, after the lockdown when other activities filled up that Sunday morning time. The number of people in church has remained steady, and as high as in 2019. New people have come along to get married, or have their children baptised or to mark the deaths of loved ones. During the pandemic, people discovered St Mary's to be a place of welcome and peace, both in the garden and inside the building. Look around you, and you will see lots of faces that were not here two years ago.



Creative growth means more than the numbers in the pews on Sundays. It is also asking ourselves who is missing and why. Perhaps people find that we do not appeal because we are not lively enough, or traditional enough. Some people may find that there is no one in our congregation who looks like them or speaks like them. It may even be that they have always assumed that God's love cannot be for them, because of their background, their past life, the place they come from, their sexuality.

How do we make ourselves open to welcome them, and crucially, will we welcome the change that they will bring about in us? It is not just growing bigger, but about developing in new ways, as we discover just how far God's love can extend beyond our little corner of the world. At St Mary's, this might mean adding to our round of services in church, or taking our church outside the building into a pub, or a nursing home. It might mean adding to our repertoire of music, or moving some of the furniture to make space for the people who come.

Our PCC took a day away to start thinking about these things and now we want to open up the conversation to all of our church community. We want to see our church reflect the community where we find ourselves and, to use the phrase offered by the 2030 Diocesan plan, to grow younger, to grow more diverse, and to be a safe place for all of us to grow and flourish.

We are forming three small working groups, each looking at a different ambition, which I hope will meet a couple of times before the next PCC in May. We hope you will consider how you might contribute to the conversations. If you want to know more, do speak with me or one of the Churchwardens. If you want to be part of one of the groups, then ask us how that can happen. There will be more on this over the course of the year, as we sharpen our vision for St Mary's. Please pray for this work and for our parish, and please think about your own part in this vision to help all our neighbours to encounter the love of God in Christ.

Jenny Welsh, Vicar

Stewardship and Generous Giving at St Mary's

The last Stewardship campaign at St Mary's took place in 2019, when we were all asked to look at our level of financial support to the church, and how to start giving regularly for the work and ministry of our church. If we were already engaging in regular stewardship, we were asked to consider whether we might increase our giving. That campaign resulted in 40 responses and an increase in regular giving (including new standing orders) amounting to £13,480 per annum, together with one-off gifts totalling £7,650.

Since 2019, our whole world has changed, and so has our church: some people have left, moved away, became older and frailer, and a few have died. Yet many more people have arrived through our doors, and found their church home here. Our ministry focus has changed somewhat, and our church building is in need of some expensive work to help that ministry to flourish. It is time to look again at our parish finances and to invite us all, particularly the people who are new to St Mary's, to think about how we support our church, with our time, our energy and our money. Therefore, in May another Stewardship Campaign will begin.

We will take the opportunity to thank all the people who have already been taking part in the Stewardship Programme to St Mary's, whether through a regular bank transfer or the CAF link. Their regular commitment makes it possible for us to budget and plan, and to know that we will have enough money in the bank to pay our bills. We will also write to everyone on the Electoral Roll and wider contact list who is not already in the Stewardship scheme, to explain where our funds are spent. People are often surprised to discover just how much it costs to maintain our church's ministry and our church building, so we hope that you will be encouraged to help St Mary's by giving generously.

We will launch our campaign on Sunday 1 May when the Vicar will preach about giving and stewardship, before our letters are sent out. There will be a fund raising Quiz Night in early May and

throughout the month of May we will be praying that we will be good stewards of the resources we have here, that we will use them to grow our church, and to become better at sharing the love of God in our parish.

Please consider ahead of time how you can support St Mary's, not just financially, but with your time and energy and engagement. If you have questions meanwhile, or would like to help with this campaign, please speak to the Vicar, or to our Treasurer, Carolyn Stubbs, or to our Gift Aid Secretary Philip Bedford Smith.

Jenny Welsh, Vicar



Photo; Edwina Sassoon

Remembering Linda Fleming

Linda Fleming was a very active member at St Mary's and a much-loved Churchwarden and Sunday School teacher. She died on 30 December 2021 after a long illness. Sara Bossom remembers her.

This photo from September 2018, outside the West Door of Salisbury Cathedral, when Linda was made a Licensed Lay Minister, shows her not very different from when we knew her at St Mary's. I saw her only twice after she moved to Pewsey, once at her home soon after she moved. She and her husband Richard moved to a lovely cottage with a charming garden. The second time I saw her was at the Diocesan Education Centre where we were both attending an 'Open the Book' study day at

which we were proud to share our experience of running the Sunday School at St Mary's. I started it in 1988; I do not remember when Linda joined the congregation, but we worked together until I left in 2005 and she continued as the Children's Leader until she also moved west. In my time Linda was a most efficient Churchwarden who was both innovative and organised.



This is the caption under the photograph from the Diocesan Grapevine News from June 2018:

Linda Fleming (Vale of Pewsey) seeks to be available to minister in whatever way is required locally.

She says, 'When we first started training, we were given a poem by Thomas Merton which I still have up on the wall, which basically says, "Well Lord, I don't know where I'm going exactly, but I know you'll be with me."

'In the Church, I've done lots of children's work, but during the training, I spent time serving a Chaplaincy in a hospital and in a hospice, and that was such a privilege. I was quite surprised that I would find it such a wonderful experience.'

Linda remained an active member of the St Mary's Prayer Network and wrote the following in an email dated September 2021:

Prayer has upheld me, and helped me maintain a sense of humour. I'm so grateful for the prayer support I've had. And, as everyone is so familiar with Zoom now, I can attend most church meetings, so I still feel connected, even when I'm having to shield. I do admit though, I'll be so glad to be about in person again - I

know I must be patient, but you know that is not my strong suit!

She has always been a remarkable example of courage and fortitude, especially since April 2018 in the face of hers and Richard's illness. However her faith remained undimmed and her recognition of the power of prayer encouraged us all. She will be dearly missed by her friends from St Mary's who had the privilege of working with her and our sympathies and prayers are with Richard, her husband.

Sara Bossom

Helping Children Learn to Love to Read

We are extremely grateful to be chosen as your new local charity for 2022/23. Thank you so much for your interest in our work.

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I founded Learn to Love to Read in March 2014 as a project run by St Michael's Church, Southfields; six volunteers went into one local school. Since that time our work has grown steadily, even during the Covid pandemic. We were registered as a charity in October 2017. In the last academic year, 100 children were supported in our partner schools, either in-person or virtually, with over 1,100 reading sessions taking place; 52 families attended early years classes; and almost 100 parents attended parent training. We currently have 57 volunteers across eight Wandsworth primary schools.

Poor reading skills in childhood often result in limited literacy as adults, bringing well-recognised risks and missed opportunities. Reduced access to early childhood education and care during the pandemic, together with lockdowns and school closures, have had a hugely negative impact on literacy levels in young children. An Education Endowment Foundation survey found that, in 76% of schools surveyed, children needed more support than usual when starting school in autumn 2020. Communication, language development and literacy were particular areas of concern. By spring 2021,

Year 1 pupils were 3 months behind in reading compared with previous cohorts, with the attainment gap for disadvantaged pupils in this year group observed to have grown 'significantly'.

A small charity working in Wandsworth, seven of our eight partner schools serve a disadvantaged pupil population, with high levels of Pupil Premium, Free School Meals or EAL (English as an additional language) children. Many families we work with live in crowded social housing, with cramped living space and limited online access. For all these reasons, Covid has had a disproportionate impact on these children's learning and reading progress. Children currently being referred for our support are struggling more than we have ever seen before.

We have a three-strand approach, working with primary-age children who are finding learning to read challenging; with pre-schoolers at risk of starting school poorly prepared to learn to read; and with their parents, equipping and encouraging them to offer support at home. Our trained volunteers work one-to-one with children aged 5 to 7 years identified by teachers as needing additional help. This one-to-one support improves their reading attainment, self-confidence and enjoyment of reading. We run early literacy classes for the under-5s, introducing simple activities to do at home that will help to close the 'word gap' so often seen between more and less disadvantaged children when they start school. Families accessing these classes also receive free resource packs containing books, games and suggested activities. We run training courses for parents and offer individual support and regular messaging. Some parents go on to become reading volunteers and benefit enormously from that.

You can find out more about our work and the difference it made in the last academic year on our website here <https://www.learn2love2read.org.uk/pages/15-our-impact>. We have exciting plans to grow and develop our service over the next two years, so your funding is extremely timely. Once again thank you and please do get in touch if you have any questions – teresa@l2l2r.org
Teresa Harris, Founder, Learn to Love to Read

The Parish Pass

I was lucky enough to be in possession of the Parish Pass on the first really sunny Thursday of March so I decided to take myself off to Westminster Abbey. It opened at 9.30am and there I was, able to appreciate the new Hockney Window in all its glory.

I booked the official tour for I am, which was good, immense value at £10, and then spent a short while perusing areas that were of particular interest to me, such as the RAF Chapel behind the High Altar.

I located my lunch in the Refectory before moving on to the lift up to the Medieval Galleries. I was very grateful to the Weston biscuit family for donating this lift as one of my knees has turned into a Crunchie bar. These Galleries proved to be a revelation with effigies, clothing and relics from that period, each requiring special attention.

At 4pm, I was ready for the Gift Shop and a sprinkling of Christmas shopping and the promise of Evensong at 5pm. All in all, a very special day, and much to be recommended.

Patricia Cassim

P.S. Anyone can borrow one of the two Parish Passes held at the Parish Office, one for St Paul's* and one for Westminster Abbey. It allows parishioners to enter these two churches for free, but don't forget to return the Pass after you have visited them.

*Image: North entrance of Westminster Abbey, London.
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*Did you borrow our passes for St Paul's Cathedral? If you still have them please bring them back to the church!



Confirmation 2022

On Thursday 9 June, at 7pm I hope to present candidates for confirmation at the service to be held at St Mary Abbots, Kensington High Street. We normally present one or two people each year, sometimes children, but in recent years, more often adults.

Confirmation is an ancient rite of the church, where the promises made on their behalf at baptism are confirmed by the candidates in their own right, and where the Bishop lays hands on their heads, anoints them with holy oil, called Chrism, and prays that they will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

That description tells us what happens at the confirmation. But perhaps more important is why it happens. For many of us of a certain age, being confirmed was simply what happened TO you, usually when you were a teenager. In some cases it led to a deeper commitment to the life of faith, but for many it was a bit of a passing out parade, as teenagers took their own decisions about coming to church or not. Nowadays, thankfully, that convention is passing away, and people ask to be confirmed with rather more intention. It is a way of making a mature commitment to following the way of Christ. It is how we claim for our own sake what was taught to us as children and a kind of completion of what our parents began. It is the way, officially, of being admitted to receive Holy Communion and so to feel like a full member of the family of the Church.

I will be very pleased to speak with anyone who is keen to take this step of faith – either adults or youngsters. I plan to run a class for young people (Year 5 and up) on Sunday afternoons starting the week after Easter, at the Vicarage (with food and refreshment), and will be also glad to run a group for adults at a mutually convenient time and place. Each group will meet for 5 sessions, and candidates will also be expected to come along to church to join in the life of the congregation too.

If you are interested in joining in, do speak to me as soon as possible.

Jenny Welsh Vicar

Silent Prayer in Church

The Silent Prayer meetings continue in church on the second Wednesday of each month, 11am to 12 noon.

The next dates are:

13 April

11 May

8 June

A group of people who gather sit together in silence for some 40 minutes. No spoken prayers are said, just the tinkle of a bell at the beginning and end and half-way through. Being silent for a little while is an invitation to listen to what is happening inside. In our liturgies we are used to address God in praise and song, but listening to the inner 'still small voice' may take some more attention. Doing it with other people forms a creative power that can be felt and can be powerful. Letting go of the need to be busy even for a little time is not only relaxing, but will eventually lead us to the truth of our selves that seems to be the big task of all our lives. There is no need to join anything, book or apologise; just come if and when you can.



Photo: Edwina Sassoon

Services and Events at St Mary's

Tuesday 29 March

8.15pm Night prayers online
<https://tinyurl.com/SMTBcompline>
Or join by telephone:
0208 080 6592
Meeting ID: 851 4051 0036
Passcode: 341705

Friday 1 April

10am Second Half Club – last of term

Saturday 2 April

1pm Wedding of Catherine Daniels
and Lee Hart

Sunday 3 April Fifth Sunday of Lent, Passion Sunday

8am Holy Eucharist (BCP)
10.30am Holy Eucharist
with Come & Sing choir
Readings Philippians 3.4b-14
Luke 8.22-25
Preacher: Reverend Philip Welsh

Tuesday 5 April

8.15pm Night prayers online (see link above)

Wednesday 6 April

12 noon Funeral of Phillida Grantham
7pm Fabric Committee (in hall)

Saturday 9 April

2pm Wedding of Harry Boothman
and Kirsty Traill

Sunday 10 April Palm Sunday

8am Holy Eucharist (BCP)
10.30am Holy Eucharist
with Liturgy of the Palms
Readings Zechariah 9.9-12
Luke 19.28-40
12 noon Lent Group
1pm Baptism of Joseph Hellin
and Edward Nulty

Monday 11 April

8.15pm Night Prayers and Meditation for
Holy Week (online)
<https://tinyurl.com/SMTBHolyWeek>
Or join by telephone:
0203 481 5237
Meeting ID: 878 8016 5724
Passcode: 974034

Tuesday 12 April

8.15pm Night prayers and meditation for
Holy Week (online)
(See link above)

Wednesday 13 April

11am Silent Prayer
8.15pm Night Prayers and Meditation
for Holy Week (online)
(See link above)

Thursday 14 April Maundy Thursday

7pm Holy Eucharist
with Footwashing and Vigil

Friday 15 April Good Friday

10.30am The Way of the Cross
for children and families
1.30pm The Good Friday Liturgy
with sermon

Holy Saturday 16 April

5.30pm Evening Prayer and Meditation
(in church)

Sunday 17 April Easter Day

8am Holy Eucharist (BCP)
10.30am Festal Eucharist for Easter with
renewal of Baptismal Promises
Readings Acts 10.34-43
Luke 24.1-12

Monday 18 April Easter Bank Holiday

Church closed

Friday 22 April

10am Second Half club resumes

Sunday 24 April Second Sunday in Eastertide

8am Holy Eucharist (BCP)
10.30am Holy Eucharist
with baptism of Jemima Squires
Readings Acts 5.27-32
John 20.19-31
12.15pm Annual Meeting of Parishioners and
Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Friday 29 April

10am Second Half Club
2pm Wedding of Rikki McAdam
and Emma Katsel

Sunday 1 May Third Sunday in Eastertide

8am Holy Eucharist (BCP)
10.30am Holy Eucharist
with Come & Sing choir
Readings Acts 9.1-20
John 21.1-19



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Year's Mind April

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Geoffrey Hopkins
Evelyn Kyle
Roy Denman
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Vera Sloane
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Clas Groth
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Karl-Hans Osbahr
Margaret Stubbs
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Molly Kemm
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Betty Brookhouse
Jytte Lynner
Diana McLean
Geoffrey Sanderson
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Safeguarding at St Mary's

The St Mary The Boltons' Safeguarding Officer is Clair Gordon. Her role is to help us to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and adults at risk. She is the first point of contact for children, adults at risk and other members of the congregation regarding suspicions of abuse and other safeguarding concerns. If you have any concerns, please contact Clair on 07850 944 834. In the event of Clair not being available, Kelly Webb may be contacted at 07971 552 014. Alternatively, speak to Sheryl Kent, Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser: 020 7932 1224 Churches' Child Protection Advisory Service (CCPAS) helpline: 0845 120 4550 Family Lives: 0808 800 222 (Previously Parentline) Childline: 0800 1111.

Children's Champion

The St Mary The Boltons' Children's Champions are Chris and Katie Fowkes. Their role is to ensure that the voices and needs of the children and young people are heard and reflected in parish life. They can be contacted via: children@stmarytheboltons.org.uk.



There is a Hearing Loop in operation at St Mary The Boltons

Contributions for the May Clarion should be sent to the Parish Office by 25 April, please.

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