

THE CLARION

The Magazine of the Parish of St Mary The Boltons

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September 2022

From the Vicar Welcome Back

Every summer I am struck by the way our neighbourhood and our church empty out as people go off on holiday. Each year, about halfway through August, when our attendance numbers are particularly low, I begin to worry about what we would do if people did not come back. People usually do, thank goodness.

So it is with great pleasure that we welcome you all back: to London, to school, to work and yes, back to church too, and we hope that you found some refreshment, some rest, and some fun while you were away.

The new Autumn term brings new opportunities for our lives together as a church community and we hope that you will join us and consider ways you can be involved in the life of our church, perhaps for the first time.

Here are some of the most obvious options, but perhaps you can think of others:

On Sundays we need people to read lessons, to be sidespeople, to help lead intercessions: all are important roles in the leading of our worship. If you think one of those roles is for you, please have a word with the Vicar or one of the church wardens. We will be glad to talk to you about how to be trained and to be added to the rotas.

Likewise, if you would like to be on the coffee serving team, offering refreshment and hospitality after the service each Sunday. We provide everything, including instructions on how to use the coffee machines. All you need to do is arrive in good time, and be able to clear up at the end,

pouring out tea and coffee for the masses in between.

On the first Sunday of the month (usually) our volunteer choir sings with the choral scholars to lead our music. The Come and Sing Choir is a lovely group of enthusiastic amateurs, directed by John Ward, our Director of Music. He will be glad to tell you how to join and what is expected each month. We start on 2 October.

We are reviving our Sunday School, beginning with a crèche for pre-schoolers accompanied by a

parent, where they will hear a Bible story, learn a song or two, learn a few simple prayers, and join an age-appropriate activity. In this way we hope to be relevant to the new young families that have been coming to church

during the pandemic. We will start small, with sessions taking place once a month during the main service. We need a few more new leaders to help, and children and parents who will come along. See the article elsewhere in this issue for information.

Before Covid we visited residents in St Theresa's Nursing Home, in Roland Gardens, leading a short Communion service, with some hymn singing. We hope to return this autumn and hope this will be confirmed soon. If you would like to visit our neighbours living there, speak with the Vicar; she will be glad to tell you what is involved.

There is a lot more that we could be doing here at St Mary's. If you have other ideas that you would like to talk about, do be in touch with the Vicar. She will be glad to have a conversation about how you could make a contribution to our life and work as a church.

Jenny Welsh, Vicar

Image: ClipArt Library



Children Welcome

St Mary's has always been a place of welcome and this has always included children. Our children's ministry has suffered during Covid, but the children keep coming as babies are born, baptised, and brought along to church by parents keen to experience the love of God, in the life of the church community.

Those of us who have been part of St Mary's for a while probably forget how daunting it is to come to church for the first time, to be unaware of how things work and how to behave, and particularly to bring children into what feels like an 'adults only' environment. We forget that our job is to make them feel as at home as we feel; to help them move from being visitors to being members, and for their children to discover that we are not 'adults only', but a community where everyone can belong and grow.

To **parents** of young children coming along for the first time:

- ◆ Relax, and don't worry if your child is wiggly or fidgety. God made them that way and loves them.
- ◆ It might be helpful to sit where your children can see what is going on. There are seats to the left and right of the altar with a good view. *Image: South Transept Window*
- ◆ Alternatively, it may help to sit near the back, where there is easy access to the children's room. There are toys and books there for your child to use, while you listen to the service relayed in. You can also slip outside with them for a few minutes if needed. But do come back!
- ◆ Remember to sing the hymns, pray and speak the responses. Children learn what to do in church by watching you. Quietly explain what is going on so they know when to stand or sit.
- ◆ No one minds if children bring along a toy or a book or even a snack. Good toys might include soft toys, puzzles, 'busy' books. Bad toys might include electronic gadgets, audio books, toy bagpipes.

- ◆ Bring your child up for a blessing when you are invited to take communion. Everyone is welcome at Christ's table. Do stay for refreshments so that we can get to know each other.

To the **older** members of the congregation:

- ◆ Remember that you were little once and probably wiggled a bit and made noise. If you see a parent with little children, smile, say hello, and help them to feel like they might want to come back.
- ◆ Remember that your usual seat does not have your name on it and that there is plenty of room to share a pew or to sit somewhere new.
- ◆ Remember that the way we welcome children directly affects the way they respond to church, to God and to Christ. Let them know that they are at home in this church. Be patient, help them to feel comfortable, offer the Peace of Christ.
- ◆ At the end of the service, remember to smile and encourage new families to stay for refreshments. Ask their names; introduce them to someone new.

Jenny Welsh



Thinking about our 2023 Charities

Before we make our annual appeal I have to thank Philip Welsh for his knowledge, insights and all the contributions he has made while a member of the Charity Committee. Sadly he has decided to step down. I am delighted to announce that Philip Bedford-Smith has accepted our invitation to be a new member of the committee.

As most of you know, each year we refresh the charities we support. We support most charities for one year. This is partly so that we can help as many charities as possible, but also so that any one charity does not become unhealthily dependent on us. There is one exception to this policy: we support two principal charities for two consecutive years only, no longer, except in exceptional circumstances. (The pandemic was a very rare example of this when we extended our support to all our charities by one year.) During 2023 Learn to Love to Read will continue to be our principal local charity for its second year of support. For our overseas principal charity we need to find a worthy successor to USPG. Our annual appeal is therefore for another overseas charity that meets our criteria; this includes giving priority to supporting Anglican charities, and in all cases, charities of a mainstream Christian ethic.

Our donations for the smaller charities should meet an identifiable and clear need, either of the charity itself or for a specific purpose or project of a larger charity. One of our smaller charities should be working overseas. Our local smaller charities should be working in the Borough of Kensington & Chelsea or a neighbouring borough. We usually help three smaller charities. In the selection process we prioritise charities working on the margins of society, especially in areas that might not attract widespread support.

Our appeal will be launched on Sunday 18 September with all suggestions needed by Sunday 2 October. You can make a suggestion in any way you find easiest, including emailing details, to the Parish Office. Please understand that while we are not able to support all charities for which we receive nominations, the Committee values and appreciates

every suggestion it receives. If you need any guidance on this just ask any member of the Charity Committee. The members are Katrina Quinton, Alex Burt, Caroline Jackson, Philip Bedford-Smith and Anthony Williams.

Anthony Williams on behalf of the Charity Committee



Net Zero Carbon News

Part of our plan for cutting our emissions is to insulate the hall loft space. Quotes were sought during August and we hope the work will be completed before winter is upon us. This is no mean feat, not least because we need to clear the loft space before the work can be done. The plan is to get rid of what we can: rubbish, broken items, old documents we no longer need; to sort and rationalise the things we want to keep: Christmas costumes and decorations; items for the fair; innumerable fan heaters and hot water urns. We need to archive the important historical material, such as photographs, Annual Reports, issues of the



Clarion. Dave Ireton, the Verger, and Jane Ellard, the Parish Manager, have begun with enthusiasm, throwing out lots of waste cardboard and other rubbish, while withstanding the temptation to read every parish magazine, identify people in every photo, and try on Nativity Play costumes.



There are many collections of photographs recording important points in the life of our church, places visited on parish pilgrimages, images of the restoration project of 2000, pictures of such illustrious groups as the Gardening Club. Some of the photographs show what the church looked like in the past, with the organ situated in the space where the St Luke's chapel now is; pews and an altar in the south transept; the main altar up against the east end wall, and even a wooden chancel screen emblazoned with 'Emmanuel – God with us'. Our church has not remained static, and even though our natural instinct is to avoid change by saying 'It's always been this way,' this is never true. The way we use the building has always changed with the times and current needs.

The point of all this work is not just to declutter, but to enable us to make an important new change in our church. We are committed to the CofE's challenge to achieve 'Net Zero Carbon Emissions by 2030', to be faithful to our call to care for God's creation, and for the people who are affected by the climate emergency. Insulating our hall will, we hope, take us part of the way to that goal. We are also exploring how to insulate parts of the west end of the church, though this will require care and proper permissions from the Diocese. We are grateful for a generous grant from the Bacon Trust for making the present work possible. We hope the work on the loft will be done in the Autumn half term break. An appeal will be made for help in moving and then replacing the contents later this term.

Jenny Welsh

Images: previous page, from a brochure advertising an campaign for a new organ, in about 1903, and showing the chancel screen.

'Floral Decorations' (left) is from the late 1930s, prior to WWII.



Coffee Morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Care

Will be hosted at St Mary's on Wednesday 5

October. There will be a special service

of Morning Prayer at 9:30am followed by the coffee morning from 10:00am. Closer to the time there will be a sheet in church for the names of people to be remembered at Morning Prayer, but in the meantime please do put the date in your diary.

Fiona Parsons

Image: www.community.macmillan.org.uk

**WORLD'S BIGGEST
COFFEE
MORNING**

**MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT**

Autumn Fair 2022

Saturday 17 September

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you on Saturday 17 September, 12-4pm to our annual community Fair raising money for charity. Our country fair in the heart of London has something for everyone: delicious BBQ from the Parsons Nose, Bar catered by tlc, sweet treats, live music, magic shows, face-painters, arts & crafts from Collingham College, bouncy slide, cake & produce stall, bric-à-brac and preloved toys, book stall, Tombola, Live auction at 2.15pm and the most fantastic Raffle! Every single penny raised on the day will go directly to local charities Beacon House, Learn to Love to Read and Paul's Cancer Support Centre, alongside Lyra in Africa and USPG. Please spread the word and bring friends and family to enjoy the fun and help us to help others.



How you can help:

Donations:

We are looking for good quality :

Books /Toys/Bric-à-Brac (no clothes, shoes or electronics please)

Bottles for the Tombola: any bottles i.e. perfume,

shampoo, soft drinks, sauces are very welcome.

Any donations can be **dropped at Church from Sunday 11 September at the service and between 9.30 - 3pm Monday to Friday.** Please leave in the office or in the back pews.

Auction or Raffle Prizes

Raffle or Auction prizes gratefully received. Please drop off with Jenny or Jane at the Parish Office.

Set Up: 3 - 4.30pm, Friday 16

It would be great to have some help putting up the tents, 3 - 4.30pm on Friday afternoon.

This saves us loads of time in the morning.

Set Up: 10.30 - 12noon, Saturday 17

Setting up the tables and stalls, bringing all the donations out from the Church and making it all look nice, hanging bunting, putting out tables and chairs, jam jars, flowers etc.

At the Fair: 12 - 4pm, Saturday 17

Help with front of house with the BBQ, help with kid's area, book stand, Bric-à-Brac. Any help you can give the people running the stalls a break.

After the Fair: 4 - 5pm, Saturday 17

General help with the packing up.

Buy Your Raffle Tickets Now. £1 per ticket; sold in books of 5.

Buy your raffle tickets in Church now and avoid any queues at the Fair.

There is a great array of wonderful prizes, including a Luxury Fortnum & Mason Food and Wine Hamper; Dinner for 2 at The Chelsea Cellar; Wines from Lea & Sandeman; Chocolate Hamper; Limited Edition Tiffany Charm; Chelsea Wild Orchid and Vase; Scottish Gourmet Hamper; Magnum of Champagne and so much more.

Tickets are on sale now at the back of the Church, or speak with the Vicar or Jane in the Parish Office. Winning numbers will be drawn at the Fair at 3.40pm but do not worry: we will contact you if you are not at the Fair and you can collect your prize from Church.

Clair Gordon

Sunday School 'Little Lambs'

With so many new families at St Mary's, we are delighted to be re-starting Sunday School 'Little Lambs' for our pre-schoolers.

Starting on 2 October during the 10:30am service and continuing on the first Sunday of the month, we will once again be welcoming under 5s into the church hall for Bible stories, playful learning, songs and prayer.

To maintain a regular Sunday School (with the aim to extend to over 5s next year), we are looking for committed volunteers to join our rota. Two volunteers are required each month. No previous experience needed. All resources and safeguarding checks will be provided. You just need a willingness to engage and inspire the very youngest members of our congregation.

A very big thank you goes to Chris and Katie Fowkes for their many years running Sunday School up until the pandemic. Katie will kindly be helping new Sunday School Leaders Rosie Meckiff Mengel and Candice Lee with the re-launch.

Please contact Rosie directly if you are interested in volunteering, or with any questions: 07905 245652 / rosiemeckiff@hotmail.co.uk / sundayschool@stmarytheboltons.org.uk.

Spread the news!

Rosie Meckiff Mengel



Eunice's story

One of the charities that St Mary's support is the USPG's Partner in Mission programme in Malawi. Eunice, her husband - a smallholding farmer - and two children were struggling as fertiliser had become unaffordable and changes in climate were causing poor harvests. With reducing income they were no longer able to buy basic items, such as soap and oil. They did not know where to go for help.

The help they needed came from the Chitanga

farmers group, which is part of the Mission's 'Food Security and Nutrition'



programme. Eunice learned how to make low-cost fertiliser at home, save water, use new farming methods and look after animals. The new fertiliser she made meant her maize did not dry up and the harvest was much better. She started contributing to her Village Savings and Loan group, which later gave her a loan that she used to set up a small business selling tomatoes and doughnuts in her village. The family can now buy the basic items they need and Eunice is very happy to be able to give an offering at church on a Sunday.



Glass Door Sleep-Out, Friday 7 October

The Glass Door Sleep Out takes place on the first Friday of October. For the past 5 years, Dave Ireton, our Verger, and latterly the Vicar, have both slept out, either with hundreds of others in Duke of York Square, or in our own church yard. The generosity of our congregation and wider circle of friends has meant that all together Dave and I have been able to raise more than £20,000: a huge amount. In the past other parishioners have also taken part and raised substantial amounts for the charity.

Glass Door and other homeless charities are more important than they have ever been, despite successive pledges from Westminster and the London Assembly to end the 'blight of rough sleeping' in the past 13 years or more. The situation will get worse, as the economic crisis worsens.

This year Dave and I have decided that we have probably stretched the goodwill of our supporters to the limit and so we want to pass on the Sleep Out baton to others who will be willing to sacrifice

a night in a comfortable bed and seek their own sponsorship to do so. It is really easy: all that is needed is the willingness to sleep somewhere else for that one night, and the courage to ask people to make a donation to the charity.

Many people will be sleeping in Duke of York Square as usual, which is a very well organised, safe and stewarded event, but you can also join in 'remotely'. Participants need not sleep outside on the ground. You could sleep on a sofa or a floor in your home or a friend's home: most people who are homeless do not sleep rough; instead they are dependent on the good-will of friends or even strangers giving them a space, often in unsafe conditions. It could be in your car. Some homeless people find they need to keep a car in order to work but cannot find a place to live near their job. It could even be on the church premises: a pretty soft option, considering that our property is locked up at night and surrounded by the security staff of our neighbours, and there are benches and porches to bed down on, a hall providing a roof and bathrooms not usually available to people who have to sleep rough every night.

If you would like to know more about the Sleep Out and how you can take part, speak with Dave or me, or look at the Glass Door website <https://www.glassdoor.org.uk>. If you think you could put a group together to sleep at the Church, whether adults or young people (over 11), speak to me or Dave and we can see how we can support this. We would encourage your younger children to take part at home. And don't forget to seek sponsorship from your neighbours, friends, and wider family, letting them know how important Glass Door's work is in our part of London.

Jenny Welsh

A special recycling bin at Brompton

Library was featured in the July/August Clarion. Regretfully, just as the Clarion went to print, the library decided to remove the bin! An alternative facility for soft plastic recycling (plastic wrapping, crisp and biscuit packets, plastic bags) can be found at Tesco on Warwick Road.

Fiona Parsons



Stewardship, giving and planning at St Mary's

Earlier this year, I let you know of our upcoming Stewardship Campaign, to help us all to think about our giving to St Mary's, recognising that our income needs to keep up with our expenditure, and as for all of us, costs are rising. It's not just a matter of paying our bills and our staff, and maintaining our building and garden. All these things matter for us as a church, because they enable our ministry here in the parish: our outreach; our evangelism; our pastoral care; our worship.

The Stewardship Campaign will begin on Sunday 2 October, and end on Sunday 16 October. The sermons each week will address an aspect of the campaign. We are preparing a new Stewardship brochure to be sent out and shared across our church community, with information about our vision for the church's ministry, the resources we currently have, and the resources we need to find in order to achieve it. 'Resources' does not just mean money, of course: it's also people who can give time and energy, and the opportunities arising from our building and grounds.

We will be communicating to all our members, and all those who have made St Mary's 'their' church in the past few years, whether by regularly attending, or by coming along for weddings or baptisms. We hope that everyone will look at the material that will be presented, and think about how you can support and take part in our vision. If you are a regular supporter, please consider whether you can increase your giving. If you are not yet giving regularly, please consider whether you can make a

commitment by setting up a regular bank transfer which will help us to budget. If you are a UK taxpayer, remember that you can maximise your gift by adding GiftAid.

As we approach the Stewardship Campaign please pray for the work and ministry of this church, and for the parish we serve.

Jenny Welsh

Holy Trinity Sloane Square Arts & Crafts Festival

ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVAL 2022
SEPTEMBER 10-18 2022 CRAFTLIFE



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Celebrating the Arts & Crafts Movement at Holy Trinity,
Church, Sloane Street, Chelsea

Once more our annual Festival is happening at Holy Trinity Church, Sloane Square, described by Sir John Betjeman as 'the cathedral of the Arts & Crafts'. Our mission at Holy Trinity is captured in the Dostoevsky quotation 'The world will be saved by beauty'. The spirit of our Mission is forged in the philosophy, ethics and aesthetics of the Arts & Crafts movement. Each year our festival seeks to celebrate beauty in all creativity and imagination as well as bring to life the socio-political context that underpinned that Arts & Crafts Movement.

CraftLife - A celebration of craft and craftspeople

"Fine art is that in which the hand, the head, and the heart of a man go together". - John Ruskin

Our 2022 CraftLife Festival will run between the two weekends of Open House London 2022 September 10-18. Over a period of ten days, we will explore, discover and celebrate many talents in art, dance, music and crafts either by established practitioners or apprentices starting out. In a vibrantly mixed programme of discussion, lectures, music, workshops and, of course, worship, our 2022 Festival offers a diverse and jubilant range of skills and passions.



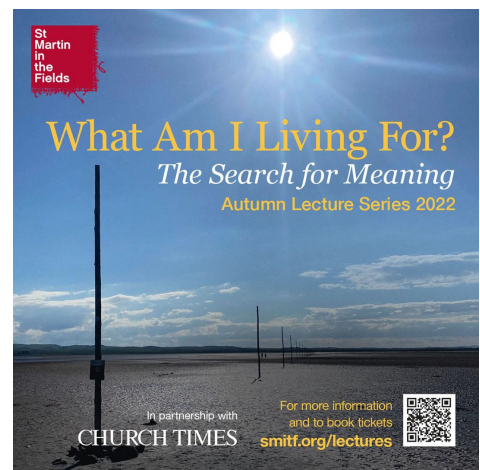
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London 2022



HOLY TRINITY
SLOANE SQUARE

St Martin-in-the-Fields Autumn Lecture series

The Autumn Lecture Series is part of the education programme at St Martin's, running on Monday evenings from 7 - 8.30pm. Each year it brings together leading theologians, practitioners and speakers to discuss the big questions facing us. They strive to make the series accessible to all – guests can attend in the building or online. While there is a requested contribution of £10 towards each lecture, free tickets are available for all the lectures.



Monday 26 September: What Am I Living For? God

Sam Wells, Lucy Winkett

Monday 3 October: What Am I Living For? Searching for Light, Shade and Truth

Mike Wooldridge, Mishal Husain, Aleem Maqbool, Jon Snow

For details of events into October and November, copies of their leaflet are available online via the link below, or from the back of church. For tickets:

www.smitf.org/lectures

St Martin-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square,
London WC2N 4JH 020 7766 1100 •

www.smitf.org

Harvest Thanksgiving and Climate Sunday

Approaching our Harvest Thanksgiving this year, we are more aware than ever of the precariousness of the harvest around the world. We understand the need to take care of the earth's resources, and if possible to mitigate against further climate breakdown and to safeguard food supplies, not least to the most vulnerable communities.

We hope lots of people will join us for our Harvest Thanksgiving and Climate Sunday service. We have much to be thankful for, not least the progress we are able to make here at St Mary's in our ambition to reach Net Zero Carbon emissions by 2030. The 10.30 Eucharist on Sunday 25 September will be a Family Service, including the collection of foodstuffs for Glass Door and other local charities concerned with feeding hungry people. Please bring your own harvest gifts on the day.

There will be a Bring and Share lunch after the service that day; see the signing-in sheet at the back of church, nearer the time.

Jenny Welsh, Vicar

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All Age Eucharist for
Harvest Festival and
Climate Sunday

Sunday 25 September
10.30am

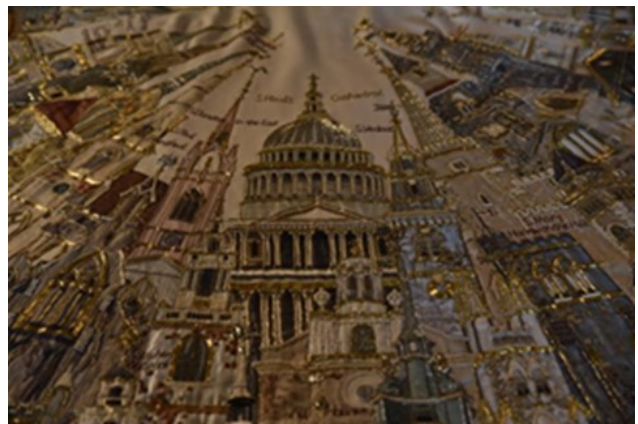
Harvest Gifts will go to
Glass Door Homeless Charity,
Dads House and
St Cuthbert's Centre

Everyone welcome.

St Paul's Jubilee Exhibition

To mark this unique event, the exhibition in the Crypt's North Aisle *Jubilee: St Paul's, the Monarch and the Changing World* explores the grand ceremonial occasions held at the Cathedral to commemorate the Royal Jubilees of four British monarchs: George III, Victoria, George V and Elizabeth II.

Throughout its life at the heart of the capital, St Paul's been a place of national celebration, reflection and commemoration, and the Jubilee Thanksgiving services held here have been some of the most spectacular we have ever hosted.



These Jubilee celebrations weave a thread of continuity through the social, political and technological changes in Britain over the past 200 years. With a wealth of material from the archives, this exhibition will tell these rich stories alongside photographs, prints and paintings, and treasures from our collection including remarkable, historic vestments for these magnificent occasions. The exhibition will run until December with entry included in Cathedral admission.

St Paul's Cathedral

Image: <https://www.stpauls.co.uk/jubilee-exhibition>



Be still, contemplate

In a recent sermon Jenny spoke about the importance of finding time to be still and for contemplation. For most of us, and certainly for me, this is difficult. We are too busy, under all sorts of pressure and here at St Mary's most likely living in the heart of one of the world's most active and often noisy cities. On a Sunday morning with no Heathrow planes flying overhead, my house and

garden in Fulham can be blissfully quiet. This is rare. Peace is something that is very difficult to find. Once a month I find it... in our own church. If you are wondering how I do this, I have the answer: our monthly Silent Prayer meetings.

It took me a long time before I sampled this quiet gathering but now I try to be there every month. It is all very simple, just a small collection of people who sit around a lighted candle behind the Altar. The church is quiet and it is very peaceful. We start with some words of help, either spoken or on a slip of paper. A bell is rung and we all use the time in whatever way we find right for each of us. After 20 minutes the bell sounds again. There is a short pause and our contemplation continues for another 20 minutes before a gentle tinkle brings the session to an end.

I think that everyone has their own way of using the time. After several sessions I have found a way that works for me. During the first session I actively pray about all the things that I want to put before God. Some are requests, others are thank you's, some are just concerns. Once I start praying it is surprising how many concerns I have that I want to mention and the time often goes by very quickly. During the second session I try and keep my mind clear to hear anything that Jesus wants to say to me. It is not easy as one's mind can easily drift off in some other direction. One never knows how Jesus might speak to us so I just try to remain still and hope my thoughts will have some meaning. Surprisingly this session can go as quickly as the first one.

If you have not been to a Silent Prayer meeting I do recommend that you sample one. All the dates are in *The Clarion*. If you ask Verena she will add your name to the list of people who like to have a reminder of each meeting. Her email is v.tschudin@btinternet.com. It is all very informal and entirely up to you whether or not to attend each meeting. Just try!

Anthony Williams



Cassiope Selaginoides, heather stock, rockery St Mary's Church garden. Photo: Edwina Sassoon

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:

14 September

12 October

9 November

A group of people gather to sit together in silence for some 40 minutes. No spoken prayers are said, just the tinkle of a bell at the beginning, 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.

Services and Events at St Mary's

Sunday 28 August Trinity 10

8am	Holy Eucharist (BCP)
10.30am	Holy Eucharist
Readings	Hebrews 13.1-8, 15-16 Luke 14.1, 7-14

Monday 29 August Bank Holiday
CHURCH AND OFFICE CLOSED

Wednesday 31 August

11.30am Wedding of Katie Sturges
and James Goodhew

Sunday 4 September Trinity 11

8am Holy Eucharist (BCP)
10.30am Holy Eucharist
Readings Deuteronomy 30.15-end
Luke 14.25-33

Friday 9 September

10am Second Half Club

Saturday 10 September

1.30pm Wedding of Joe Greenlees
and Charlotte Hawes

Sunday 11 September Trinity 12

8am Holy Eucharist (BCP)
10.30am Holy Eucharist
Readings Exodus 32. 7-14
Luke 15.1-10

Charity speaker: Maria Spink, from *Lyra in Africa*

12.15pm Autumn Fair organisation meeting
(in hall)

12.30pm Baptism of Lorelei Lauder

2.30pm Baptism of Alexandra Nicholas
and Gaby Lopes Kettle

Wednesday 14 September

11am Silent Prayer

Friday 16 September

10am Second Half Club

Saturday 17 September

12 - 4pm Autumn Fair

Sunday 18 September Trinity 13

8am Holy Eucharist (BCP)
10.30am Holy Eucharist
Preacher: The Reverend Philip Welsh
Readings Amos 8.4-7
Luke 16.1-13

Wednesday 21 September

7pm PCC (in hall)

Friday 23 September

10am Second Half Club

Saturday 24 September

3.30pm Wedding of George Clark
and Isabella Watling

Sunday 25 September Harvest Thanksgiving

8am Holy Eucharist (BCP)
10.30am Harvest Thanksgiving and
Creation Sunday Family Eucharist
Readings 2 Corinthians 9.9-11
John 6.1-13

Friday 30 September

10am Second Half Club

Sunday 2 October Stewardship Sunday

8am Holy Eucharist (BCP)
10.30am Holy Eucharist
with Come and Sing Choir
and Little Lambs in the Hall
Readings Matthew 6.19-33
Colossians 3.12-17



Year's Mind September

Elizabeth Richardson

Hilda O'Connor

Joy MacManaway

Vera Gregory

Hugh Beach

Pamela Bryceson

Edward Lidderdale

Allan Campbell

Kevin Kendrick

Kathryn Carr

Michael Quin

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Hans Schleger

Alexander Pringle

John Christie

Claud Hawker

Angela Lambert

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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, Rosie Meckiff Mengel may be contacted at 07905 245652. 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

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