

Friends,

This week we are keeping the Second Sunday after Trinity. Our preacher this Sunday is the Reverend Lesley Perry.

The image on the front of this week's order of service (see the link below) is what the church is looking like these days – our doors are open for private prayer, and it's wonderful that people have been coming in to do just that. If you look carefully, you can see a little light to the left of the east window which is just above the aumbry, or tabernacle, where the sacrament is reserved. It's a reminder that even though the Church is more than our building, St Mary's is more than just a building, too. It is holy space, and it is a joy to be able to allow people in once again.

We plan, at least initially, to be open between 10am and 2pm each day, including Saturday and Sunday, with the support of volunteers who will keep watch and make sure visitors are observing the proper distancing and hygiene. If you would like to join the rota, please be in touch with Jane Ellard, our parish manager, 020 7835 1440 or office@stmarytheboltons.org.uk . With more people involved we may be able to extend our opening hours.

This week's podcast can be heard [here](#) and the order of service, with words to the hymns and prayers can be downloaded [here](#), with a large print version, [here](#). I hope that you'll listen on Sunday morning at 10.30am with us, and sing the hymns with gusto. Once again, we are grateful to John Ward who has been putting these together week by week.

Join us for coffee afterwards at our Zoom Sunday Coffee Time each Sunday at 11.30am – a chance to see familiar faces, and even to chat in small groups for a while. We'll be glad to see as many of you as would like to come along. Bring your own coffee.

The link to Zoom Coffee Hour is here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83346676568?pwd=OWdLcE9MY3k0a3JCUzJVejc5TTBmUT09> Just click on it and follow the instructions, making sure your camera and microphone are on so that you can be seen and heard. (If you are using a smartphone, you'll need to download the app).

Or if you want to join in by telephone, dial 0203 051 2874 and follow the spoken instructions.

Meeting ID: 833 4667 6568

Password: 018594

Daily Prayer is said Monday – Friday at 8.30 via Zoom. It's a short said service, with the text of prayers and readings provided on screen, so no need to worry about having the right book to join in. You can find the service on the CofE's app <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer>

Join us via the Zoom link below.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89960059757?pwd=UGcwU0tjSWJTRXV3R3lyVENoK3U3QT09>

or dial in via your telephone and follow the instructions.

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The Clarion summer issue needs your input! The theme is Unction or Anointing of the Sick. We'd love to have articles from you on this theme, of course, but also your experiences of lockdown will be most welcome. Have you read something, or watched something that you would like to tell people about? If you or your children have been learning at home, what has that been like? The deadline for copy is Sunday 28 June. 500 words or fewer please.

Parish book group on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm using the wonders of videoconferencing. Non-computer users are also able to join these meetings by telephone, so everyone can be included. We are reading How to Live: a guide to the Christian Journey, by Stephen Cottrell and Steven Croft. The book is available to order from Church House Bookshop for £9.99. All are welcome to join in. The next Zoom meeting will be on Wednesday 24 June at 7.30. The link is here:

Topic: Book Group How to Live

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Password: 240452

Or join by telephone, 0203 481 5240 (and follow the instructions)

Finance and giving

As with all of us, the financial situation at St Mary's is serious. Our church still needs to meet its costs of paying our Common Fund to the diocese and the salaries of our lay staff who are continuing to work or furloughed. Our Sunday collections and income from services have stopped during the closure, as has the important income from hall lettings. Thank you to all those who have continued to support St Mary's through regular giving and one off donations. Can I please encourage you, if you are one of those would normally put your donation into the plate on Sundays, to consider giving by bank transfer, whether each week or by standing order? It is easy; we can still benefit from your GiftAid, and it will help us to maintain our ministry in this difficult period.

PCC of St Mary with St Peter and St Jude

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Food Banks Remember, when you manage to do your shopping, that lots of people are hungry at this time, particularly those whose children depend on free school meals, not to mention those who have lost jobs and income. Dad's House continues to need our support for their food banks, including one at 22 Lillie Road in Fulham. They are open 7 days a week between 10am and 3pm, and would love to receive your food donations. **NB They**

are also looking for clothes for boys and girls aged 5 to 12 years old who have grown out of their clothes in the past couple of months. Can you help?

Help available for those who need it Are you or someone in your neighbourhood needing extra help with groceries, or could benefit from regular hot meals being delivered to them; or who needs help with getting prescriptions? A new local multi-church initiative called Love Your Neighbour (#LYN) has started a hub at Holy Trinity Brompton, which provides food parcels for anyone who needs them and also is able to deliver hot meals cooked at one of the local schools or other institutions on request. Please let me know if this would be useful to you or someone else, so that those who are in need can be helped.

Blessings,



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