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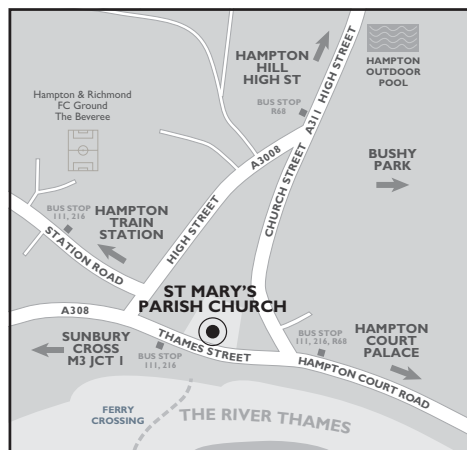
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# Harvest Festival at St Mary's

Join us to say 'thank you' to God for the food that we have at our traditional Harvest Festival service at 11am on Sunday 4 October.



This year, for the second year running, our Harvest food collection will be donated to St Paul's Foodbank, Hounslow, which is committed to providing food for families and individuals in the area who are struggling financially and therefore going hungry. During the course of a single year, the Foodbank puts together well over 1,000 parcels of food.

All of your Harvest offerings will be gratefully received by St Paul's Foodbank, although this year it is specifically appealing for **powdered milk, pasta sauces, tinned fruit and puddings, porridge and cereals, biscuits, tinned meat, fish and vegetables, long life fruit**

**juice, tea, coffee and sugar.** The one commodity that the Foodbank is desperate for is **cooking oil**, something that probably doesn't occur to most of us as being needed, but obvious when you think about it! The Foodbank also welcomes baby products such as **disposable nappies and baby wipes.**

Since our 2014 Harvest collection, we have maintained links with St Paul's Foodbank. We have a collection point just inside our main front door and many members of our congregation pop something into it when they come to church on Sundays.

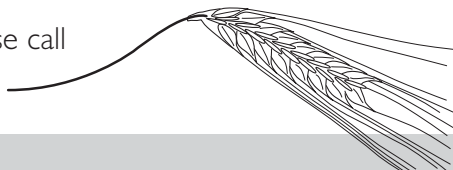


If you would like to know more about the Foodbank Ministry at St Paul's, Hounslow, please visit their website: [www.stpaulshw.org.uk/foodbank](http://www.stpaulshw.org.uk/foodbank)

## Harvest Meal

Our annual Harvest Meal will be held in the Church Hall shortly after our Harvest Festival Service. Tickets are £8 (free for children) and include a full meal and family activities.

If you would like to book a place please call **Pat Felstead** on **020 8979 9990**.



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### REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE

8 November 2015  
10.50am

St Mary's Church, Hampton

*Two minutes' silence  
will be observed at 11am*

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## From the Registers

### Baptism

28 June..... Seth Charles Michael Pain

### Thanksgiving for the Birth of a Child

5 July..... Tobias William James Adams

### Weddings

25 July..... James Michael Wheeler to Amy Louise Jennett

28 August..... Alexander Manu Hathiramani to Stacey Victoria Cunliffe

5 September..... Simon Dennis Freedman to Lucie Juliet Alice Ormerod

### Blessing of a Marriage

18 July..... Abraham Jason Johnson to Charlotte Ann Cruz

19 July..... Tarik Chebib to Tracey Dixon

29 August..... Andrew Chamberlain to Sarah Chamberlain

### Funerals

9 June..... Patricia Sybil Elizabeth Farrer, aged 77 years, of Hollybank Close to South West Middx Crematorium

14 July..... Marie Beryl Wilson, aged 94 years, of Birchwood Grove, to Kingston Crematorium, followed by a Thanksgiving Service in St Mary's Church

5 August..... Joan Elsie Colvill, aged 89 years, of Ashford House Care Centre, Long Lane, Stanwell to Randall's Park Crematorium

12 August..... Hilda Hampton, aged 78 years, of Oldfield Road, to South West Middlesex Crematorium

14 August..... Ivy Joan Watson, aged 87 years, of Lacey Drive, to Teddington Cemetery

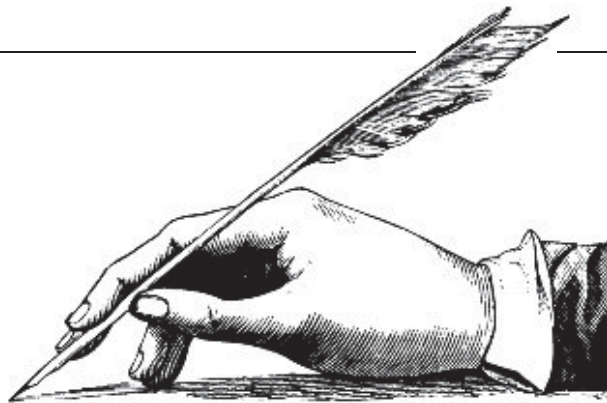
20 August..... Margaret Ann Yell, aged 75 years, of Ormond Drive, to St Mary's Church, then to Teddington Cemetery

24 August..... Robert John Pincham, Aged 95 years, of Wensleydale Road, to South West Middx Crematorium

### Interment of Ashes

8 June..... Philip Maurice Lyford

20 July..... Giovanna Norma Fiorentini



*'Dearly beloved, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places....'*

### Full Choral Evensong – Harvest Thanksgiving Sunday 4 October 6.30pm

Cantate Domino – Pitoni

Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis – Stanford in C

Fear not, O Land – Elgar

Our parish choir will lead us in a full choral evensong. This can provide a wonderful moment of peaceful, grateful meditation on the word of God, following the order set out in English by Thomas Cranmer in the Book of Common Prayer.

Do join us to praise God in music and words as we celebrate God's good gifts to us at Harvest time.

*'Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice, for the Lord will do great things!'*

Joel 2:21



# Suburban Harvest Written by Derek Winterburn

There is something vaguely odd about celebrating a harvest festival when we depend more on the supermarket for our food than a field. I imagine that in an agricultural context bringing in the annual crop is a great achievement worthy of celebration, and it would also be appropriate to recognise in church that after all the hard work of farming it is still true that 'God gives the growth.'

But what about us in Hampton – why should we celebrate a 'Harvest'? May I suggest two reasons, taken from Paul's first letter to Timothy?

Firstly it's a great opportunity to recognise all the food (and drink) that we have available even at the smallest convenience store, and marvel at how much we have to choose from and how many people have been involved in bringing it to us. Even the simplest foodstuffs have come a long way, e.g. both the rice and the canned pineapple in our cupboard comes from Thailand. We expect these things to be available to us, but we should realise that they are not ours by right. Paul says 'As for those who are rich, command them

not to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.' Harvest is an opportunity to say 'thank you' to all who bring our food to us, and to God.

Secondly we can consider those who are less fortunate than ourselves. Just now the news is full of terrible stories of refugees and asylum seekers; millions of people are being sustained by emergency aid. But of course nearly half the world's population lives on less than \$2.50 a day. For ten years St Mary's has been linked with churches in Mozambique; as usual our harvest cash collection goes towards the sponsorship of children and young people (70 this year). Sadly we all know that hardship is also an experience closer to home. So as well as helping those overseas our food collection will be taken to the Foodbank at St Paul's, West Hounslow. As we celebrate harvest we remember Paul's words: 'Be generous, and ready to share.'

Harvest is a time to remember to give thanks and a time to remember others. We would love it if you would join us!



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# The Seeds are Multiplying!

Written by Derek Winterburn



Primary school children receiving their Good Seeds uniform

It was ten years ago that the first group of Hamptonians went to Mandimba in Mozambique to initiate a link with the parish of São Paulo. Since then there have been nine further visits and we have sent well over £35,000

to support various projects, as requested by the local church, and agreed by the Bishop of Niassa. In 2006 we launched the Good Seeds scheme which aims to ensure that young people do not drop out of school for lack of money. In Mozambique there is a small charge for secondary education; this is on the principle that people appreciate something that they pay for. However there are many teenagers who have lost both their parents, and either live with another family member or even by themselves. Finding the money for fees, a uniform and stationery can be too much, especially if they could be earning or looking after children. In a society where almost no-one will go to university, completing secondary education is absolutely life-changing.



Secondary school pupils receiving their Good Seeds uniform



Ana is 17 and is in Year 9 (the years are repeated until the pupil passes the grade exam). She lives with her grandfather. Before she received school equipment from Good Seeds, she was so worried that she slept badly. She was very worried that she would have to leave school. But now she can finish her studies.

St Mary's provides a modest amount for each Good Seed but it is enough to keep them in school. But while we offer financial support, the church in Mandimba plays its part; each young person is mentored by a church member. As the local capacity has grown, the number we can offer to support has risen to 70.

In 2015, in partnership with St Mary's Hampton Primary School, the scheme has been extended to a Mozambican primary school. Although primary education is entirely free, there are still orphans who need help with uniform, stationery and a rucksack. At present there are 30 children who are Primary Good Seeds.

If you would like to contribute to the Good Seeds Project then please contact our parish office.



This is Bertha, she is in Year 4 at the Primary School and lives with her grandmother. Both her parents died in 2008. Her grandmother says that without the support of the Anglican Church Bertha would not be able to continue at school so 'Thank You.'

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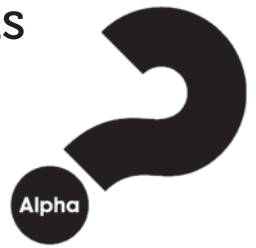
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Our next Alpha Course starts on **Monday 28 September, 7.30-9.30pm** in St Mary's Community Hall (entrance on Church Street, just behind the church). For more information please contact **Hilary Hart** on **020 8979 5665**. [hilary.hart@btoopenworld.com](mailto:hilary.hart@btoopenworld.com)

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## Drama Group News

Written by Jean Wood

As we nudge into autumn the pace steps up a notch and so do St Mary's Drama Group's activities.

*This Happy Breed* by Noel Coward is now in full rehearsal, readying itself for production at Hampton Hill Theatre from 28-31 October. Performances start at 7.45pm each evening, and tickets can be obtained from the **Booking Office: 020 8941 1267**.

During the summer, our drama group performed *Turbulence on the Thames* at the Riverside Garrick Temple. This inspired piece received many plaudits and was written and directed by Keith Wait on the theme of Magna Carta. St Mary's Summer Fête, for many years, has been a high spot in our calendar, and this year was no exception. The prizes on our raffle stall were excellent, thanks to the generosity of many people. We are now looking forward to organizing the Christmas Fayre cake stall at the end of November. Beyond this the future looks bright with a quiz planned for January and productions lined up for spring and autumn.

As ever, St Mary's Drama Group welcomes new members – there is so much to bringing a production to fruition, not only actors, but lighting, costume, props, etc. Do get in touch with our Secretary, **Sue McMillan**, on **020 8941 1267** if you are tempted!

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*'The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.'*

Written by David Pimm, Choir Director & Organist

As the hours of daylight shorten at this time of year, maybe your thoughts are cast forward to the Christmas season. Before that, in the Church's year, comes the season of Advent. This year, as a departure from recent practice, our choir will be leading us in an **Advent Carol Service at 6pm on the first Sunday in Advent (29 November)**. This is in addition to the normal Christmas Carol Service on 20 December.

'Advent' means 'coming' and is traditionally a period of both penitence and joyful celebration. The comings to which we look forward in Advent are both Jesus' coming as the 'light of the world' at the first Christmas and his future coming: Jesus talks of his second coming 'on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory' (Matthew 24: 30). These words are picked up in the ancient Advent Responsory (set to plainsong music by Palestrina):

*I look from afar:  
and lo, I see the power of God coming,  
and a cloud covering the whole earth.*

*Go ye out to meet him and say:*

*Tell us art thou he that should  
come to reign over thy people Israel?*



Our Advent Carol Service will begin with a candlelight procession, inviting us to reflect on, and to celebrate the light that came into the world, bringing a glimmer of divine hope into what we know is all too often a very dark world. As the light of a single candle extends

to other candles throughout the church, we are invited to sing: *Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.* 'Emmanuel' means 'God with us' and we pray that God will inhabit his world wide church today and rejoice that since Jesus first came, this prophecy has been and still is a modern reality.

We have the opportunity to ponder the significance of Jesus coming into the world 2000 years ago, saying that: 'The time has come. The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!' (Mark 1:15). But we can also ponder the impact of the light of the good news being in our world today; and the impact of him coming again at the end of time. We can wonder at God's love that he should enter our human condition, with all its darkness: 'For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.' (Romans 8:38,39)

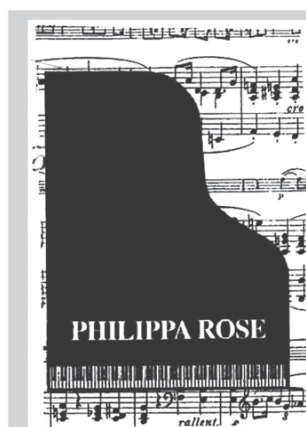
So there will be some big themes to consider at our Advent Carol Service, but there will also be that wonder of a candlelight procession and the joy of singing, and listening as the choir sings, some beautiful Advent Carols: *O come, O come Emmanuel; Zion hears the Watchmen's voices; Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming; Lo, he comes with clouds descending.*

I hope that this opportunity to celebrate the King who brings light into the world will begin the Advent season for us all in a rather special way. Do come and join us.

**Philippa Rose**  
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We are keen to expand the number of junior choristers (aged 8 and above) and are holding an **Open Day 10-11.30am on Saturday 17 October at St Mary's Church.**

The Open Day is designed to give a taster of what happens at choir practice, begin to see how it works to read music and turn it into singing, and the chance to sing in teams or even individually. (There is no need to prepare anything.) You will meet some of the existing members and hear about what is involved in being a chorister. Parents are welcome to stay and enjoy coffee and a bun while their children sing.

Our regular singing each Sunday morning is mostly 'classical' choral music, hymns, psalms and service settings. Additional major items each year include a traditional, candlelit carol service, a Passion for Holy Week and occasional full Choral Evensongs. Choir practices are currently 7.45 to 9pm each Friday at the church but if we have enough junior choristers, they will meet 7-8.30pm. We should also be pleased to welcome dads to sing with their children to expand the number of Tenors and Basses. See separate course 'Choir singing for men' on page 20.

The structured coaching leads to the recognised Royal School of Church Music accredited medals. St Mary's takes the safety of children and young people very seriously. The choir follows the church's safeguarding policy, and all leaders are DBS-checked. Junior choristers will be paid £1-£2 for each service and separate rehearsal (ie up to about £26-£52 per quarter), depending on progress with the RSCM training and levels of attendance.

Please confirm your attendance on 17 October in advance, by contacting: David Pimm, BSc FCA, CertRCO david.pimm@hampton-church.org.uk or 020 8399 2404, stating name/age of child/children & name of accompanying adult.



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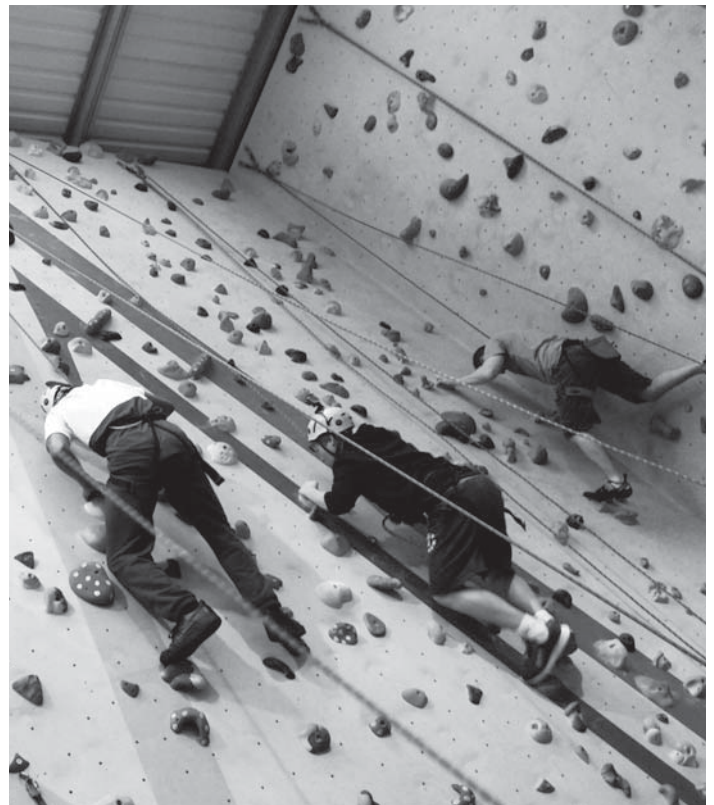
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# School's out for Summer – Kids, welcome to the world of work! Written by Nick Neilan

Launched at the start of the summer term, eleven of our teenagers have been put through their paces as part of our six month *Preparation for Work Programme*. Funded by a £5,000 grant from the Garfield Weston Foundation, the young people attended weekly sessions which taught them what employers are looking for as well as fundamental work skills that will give them a head start in their future employment. Topics included first impressions, communication, problem solving, customer service, teamwork and time management as well as a leadership session at White Spider climbing centre. We were also extremely pleased to partner with local organisations who ran additional sessions on relationships, first aid and money management, the latter of which was led by Lorraine Davey on behalf of Lloyds Bank, Hampton (Lorraine actually donated her wage to MTV Youth as part of the privilege of running the session!).

All our teens made a big effort in these sessions and showed significant improvement in their expertise as the weeks went by. We were also pleased that three of the young people were able to take part in interviewing the candidates for the YMCA's Director of Children, Youth and Families Work. We have been told that they were a credit to the youth club, receiving high praise from the interviewing panel of YMCA management who were impressed with their involvement, questioning and discernment as well as their fantastic teamwork.

During the summer holidays the work programme has continued. As well as receiving one to one mentoring, the young people have been undertaking work experience placements which have been arranged with a local business or organisation. We have been absolutely thrilled with the feedback we have received about the young people from their placements and we are now looking forward to celebrating their achievements and reinforcing what they have learned



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A special thank you to Kevin McCabe who has done an admirable job in running the programme as well as Garfield Weston for enabling us to run the scheme in the first place. Finally a huge thank you and congratulations to all eleven of our young people who have made the most of this opportunity given to them. It has been a privilege to see them step out, take on greater responsibility and really grow. *We are expecting great things!*

MTV Youth's Friday night club returns for the new term on: 18 September at the usual venue, St Mary's Primary School, Oldfield Road, Hampton TW12 2HP.

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### NEWS FROM OUR SCHOOL

The end of the school year in July was as busy as ever for the children of St Mary's Primary School. The children hosted a 'regular volunteer' tea – our wonderful volunteers were treated to scones, jam and clotted cream and many other goodies. The children sang to the assembled group as we gratefully thanked them for their time and dedication to the school.

The children enjoyed a fun time at the 'end of year' school disco – an incredible display of dancing skills was revealed despite them being so weary as the school year was drawing to a close.

In the final week learning journeys were shared with parents and the children proudly presented their work and achievements from the last term.

The after-school clubs finished; basketball and football had been thoroughly enjoyed even in the incredible heatwave of June and July. Those children at the drama club wound up the term with a show for their parents – bravo! The last day of the school year was finished with a lovely celebration in church, and gave us all the opportunity to celebrate successes – a 'good' Ofsted result amongst them!

This September we welcome another new reception class and our first class of children from 2013 move onto year 2; time has flown and all the children have developed and achieved so much. With new teachers, new children & a new outdoor activity area – we are excited to start the new academic year.



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# Samuel's Ministerial Training

I have been the Children and Families Work Leader at St Mary's since May 2014. Alongside working here I have been exploring a vocation to be a priest in the Church of England. At the end of April I was finally recommended for ordination training by a Bishops' Advisory Panel. In September I officially started my training with St Mellitus College. This is a new theological college based in London.

It specialises in mixed-mode training. This means I will carry on with my 'church job' here in Hampton but also attend midweek teaching (on Mondays), one residual study week every year and a residential weekend every month. I will be working towards a BA in Theology, Ministry and Mission; God willing I will complete the degree course in three years.

## HOPE

My hope is that, at the end of the course, I will be equipped to carry out all that the good Lord has called and purposed me to do. The College calls this 'Formation.' I hope

I will be 'formed' for my ministry at present and in the future.

## FEARS

It has been a while since I was a student. I fear it is going to be a little difficult at the start with reading and essays and assessments and all that comes with being a mature student. Time is going to be a major issue – balancing my study, family and work. My family and I will greatly appreciate all the support and encouragement we will get along this journey. ¶

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They were taken from an AS355 twin engine helicopter at 750 feet, the lowest height permitted by the Civil Aviation Authority. Helicopter flying is horrifyingly expensive and the aerial visits to Hampton were only made financially possible by diverting

the aircraft during shoots over Central London. The photographer used a Canon EOS 5D camera with gyro stabiliser mounts to eliminate vibration and ensure perfect clarity and sharpness.

Paul's work can be viewed on [www.paulcampbellphotographer.com](http://www.paulcampbellphotographer.com)

He was also a trustee director of Hampton Pool and a colleague of the late Marshall Lees. All proceeds from the sale of these photographs will go to the *Marshall Lees Hampton Pool Lift Fund*.

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# St Mary's Book Club

## Written by Ray Wait

Among the many and varied activities offered to the community of St Mary's is the Book Club. I became a member several months ago with, I might add, some trepidation since I had never before experienced belonging to such a group. My fears were groundless. I received the warmest of welcomes and now very much look forward to our monthly meetings which are held in The Jolly Coopers – such an atmospheric olde worlde pub!

There is no fixed agenda for the evening. Each person will add to the discussion of the book selected for the month as and when they feel they have a contribution

to make. An engaging atmosphere prevails throughout, despite differing points of view when discussing certain aspects or characters of the chosen book.

What do we hope for when reading a book? Personally I look for a well-written story which will captivate my imagination; a properly researched writing which adds to my knowledge and that indefinable something which causes me to appreciate the skill of the author in conveying his or her intentions and also makes compulsive reading.

Recently we have read *Glittering Images*, *The Bonfire Of The Vanities*, *The Help* and *A Town Like Alice*. We are looking forward to reading *Far From The Madding Crowd* and *Precious Lives*. Meetings are often enlivened by anecdotes and stories relating to the characters, places and situations

to be found in the book under review, this is in itself an education. It is true to say that our evenings are both enjoyable and instructive.

Perhaps you, the reader, would like to become a member of the Book Club? Please be assured a warm welcome awaits you – all you will need is a love of the written word and an enquiring mind...

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Written by Janice Merritt

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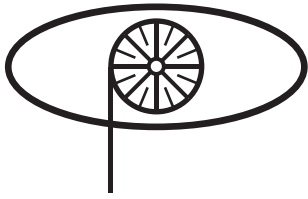
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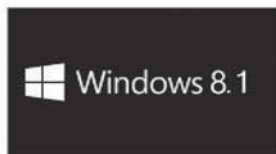
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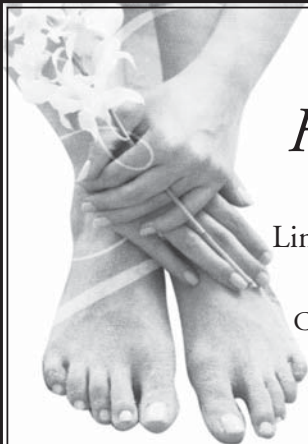
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## Service Times

### Sunday

8am

#### Holy Communion

A quiet, traditional service

9.30am

#### Holy Communion

A choral service, with liturgical structure and traditional hymns

11am

#### 'Sunday Praise'

An informal service using a mixture of old and new music  
(Children's groups and crèche)

6.30pm

#### Prayer Book Evensong

A gentle, traditional service  
Or

#### Refresh Informal Service

(4th Sunday)

### Monday to Thursday

9am

#### Morning Prayer

(Wednesday, Holy Communion)

#### First Steps

(Fortnightly Wednesday mornings at 10am)

A service for carers and young children with craft, games and refreshments

### Home Groups

Meeting every fortnight in people's homes for Bible study and prayer.

Further details: Derek Winterburn 020 8979 3071

### Pub Lunches

Bi-monthly get-togethers.

Further details: Parish Office 020 8941 7221

### Friendship Lunch

Held monthly. Further details: Pat Felstead 020 8979 9990

### Teatime Fellowship

Meets first Thursday in the month in St Mary's Community Hall, 2.30-4pm.

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### Men's and Women's Breakfasts

A full English feast! 8.30am Saturdays periodically in the Hall

### Bookclub

Meets in the Jolly Coopers on the first Monday of the month  
(2nd when there is a Bank Holiday)

### Choir

For keen and able singers of any age. Practice Friday evenings 7.45pm, for 9.30am Sunday Services. Trainee choristers (adults and children) welcome

Contact: David Pimm on 020 8399 2404

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Plays at 11am Sunday services

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Perform several plays each year. Actors and backstage help always welcomed

Contact: Jean Wood 020 8979 5735

### Children and Young People at St Mary's

We have activities for children and young people of all ages at St Mary's, see pages 12 and 13 for further details.

