

ST MARY'S CHURCH, THAMES STREET, HAMPTON

The Parish Link

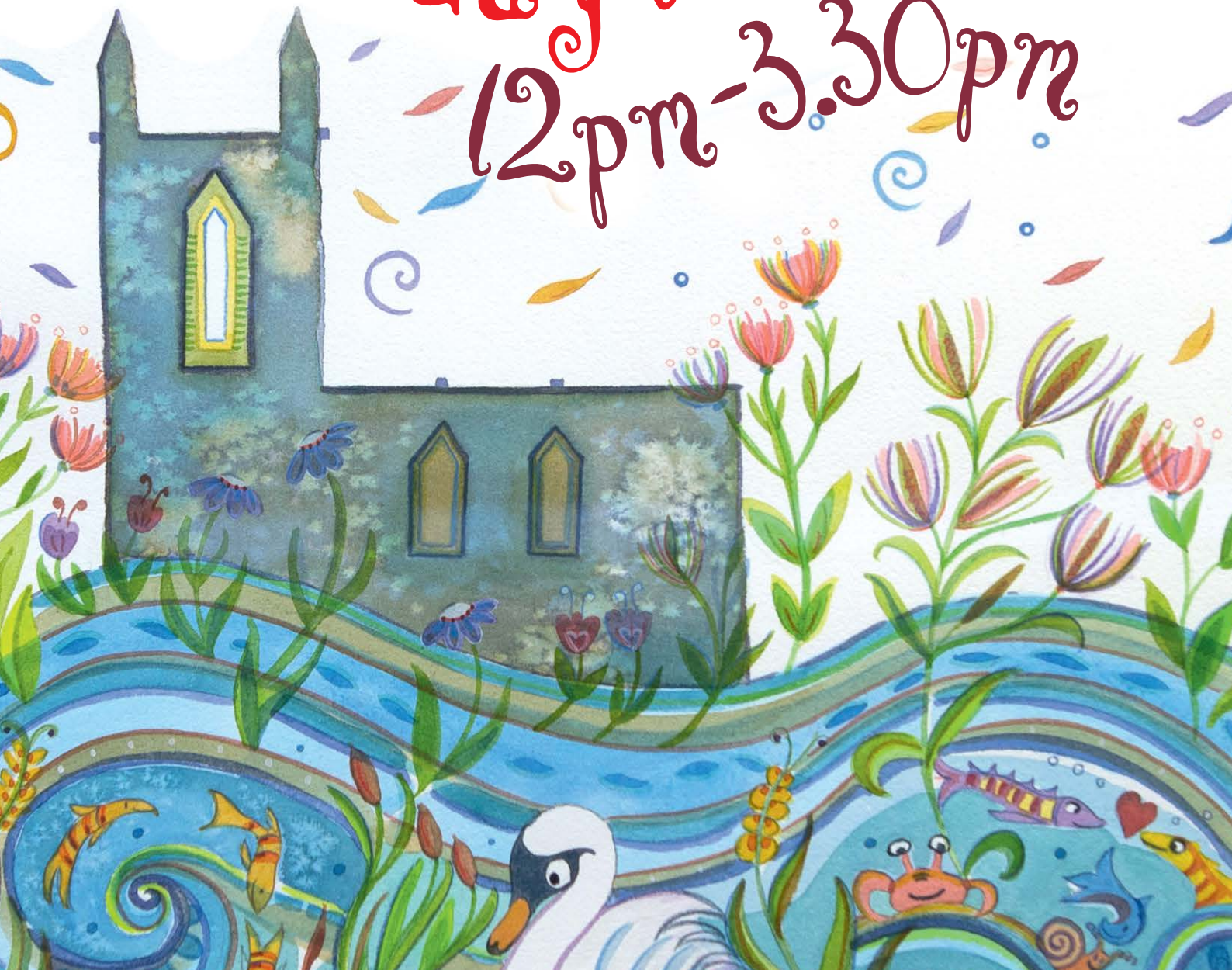
JUNE 2018



Summer Fête

Saturday 16 June

12pm - 3.30pm





www.hampton-church.org.uk

If you have just come to live in Hampton, your Parish Church welcomes you. Please make yourself known to one of the Parish Staff or Churchwardens. Please visit our website, Facebook or Twitter feeds for all St Mary's Church and our parish information.

Connect with St Mary's...

Please visit our website for all the latest news, events and activities for all age groups.

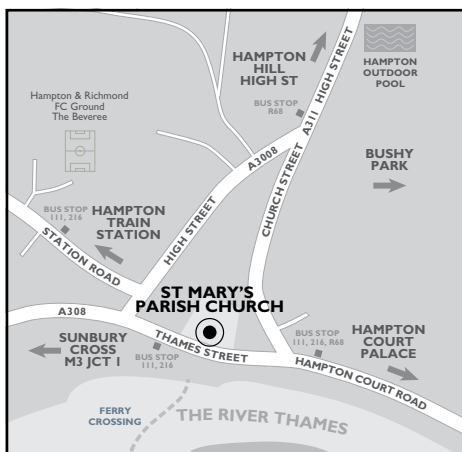
www.hampton-church.org.uk

You can also find us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter or Instagram...



St Mary's Parish Office
Church Street
Hampton TW12 2EB
Tel: 020 8941 7221
parish.manager@hampton-church.org.uk

How to find us...



- Vicar: The Reverend Ben Lovell**.....07734 775102
The Vicarage, 7 Church St, Hampton TW12 2EB..... vicar@hampton-church.org.uk
- Asst Priest: The Reverend Geoffrey Clarkson**.....020 8977 1434
109 Cambridge Road, Teddington TW11 8DF
- Asst Priest: The Reverend Alan Jackson**.....020 8898 3093
7 Uxbridge Road, Hanworth TW13 5EG
- Licensed Lay Ministers (Readers)**
- Pat Felstead, 69a Ormond Drive, Hampton TW12 2TP.....020 8979 9990
Rosemary Cumberland, 27 Chichester Close, Hampton TW12 3QJ.....020 8941 2546
- Parish Office**.....020 8941 7221
Parish Manager: Jane Holmes..... parish.manager@hampton-church.org.uk
Parish Administrator: Elizabeth Wait..... email:admin@hampton-church.org.uk
- Churchwardens**
- Nally Fernando, 35 Longford Close, Hampton TW12 1AD.....07968 805243
Hilary Hart, Banchory, Old Farm Rd, Hampton TW12 3QT.....020 8979 5665
- Deputy Churchwardens**
- Mike Bowen, 33 Falcon Road, Hampton TW12 2RA.....020 8979 5973
Mike Fraser, 12 Springfield Avenue, Hampton TW12 3DT.....020 8979 0948
Kel Razza, 26 Coleshill Road, Teddington TW11 0LJ.....07771 538033
- Hon Treasurer**
- Nigel Francis, 18 Rushbury Court, Station Road TW12 2DD.....020 8941 1467
- Recorder for Christian Stewardship**
- Martin Hart, Banchory, Old Farm Road TW12 3QT.....020 8979 5665
- Hall Bookings**.....020 8979 2615
Patricia Lewis, 7 Manor Gardens TW12 2TX..... hall-booking@hampton-church.org.uk
- Church Flowers**
- Michael Harris, 74 Wensleydale Road, Hampton TW12 2LX.....020 3560 5796
- Youth Pastor**
- Nick Neilan..... nick.neilan@hampton-church.org.uk / 07469 147137
- Facilities Manager**
- Kel Razza..... kel.razza@hampton-church.org.uk
- Safeguarding Officer**
- Nally Fernando..... safeguarding@hampton-church.org.uk
- Choir Director and Organist**
- David Pimm, CertRCO.....020 8399 2404
- Worship Band**
- John Winterburn..... john@hampton-church.org.uk / 07816 855941
- Bell Ringers**
- Alison Ward.....020 8979 9848

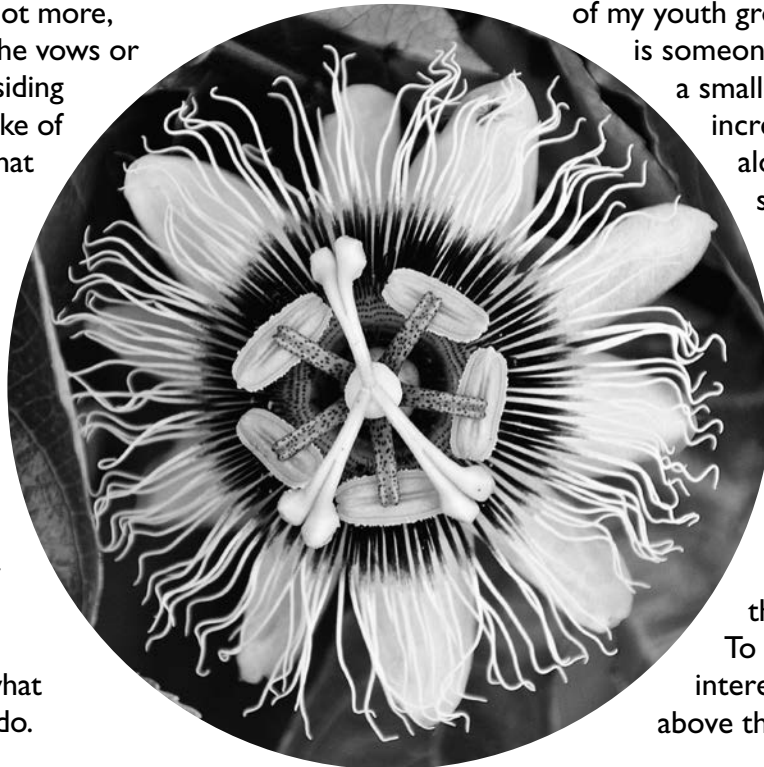
LIVING WITH PASSION

Written by Ben Lovell

I missed the royal wedding. Although, due to my daughters' interest in it and the miracle of on-demand TV, I have now seen certain bits of it several hundred times (or so it seems). It's a wonderful occasion, wonderful celebration and, in the midst of it, a wonderful sermon.

Although I didn't watch the wedding live it was apparent from the news coverage that the sermon was receiving as much, if not more, attention than the dress, the vows or the party afterwards. Presiding Bishop Michael Curry spoke of love with such a passion that it, quite literally in some cases, made the world sit up and take notice.

As someone who wrestles weekly with what to say and how to explain a text I listened with fascination to what was a rhetorical masterclass. Energy slowly built up during the talk, drawing us all into Bishop Michael's exploration of what love is and what love can do.



PASSION IS A CHOICE

I don't think there is anyone who would not disagree that they are for more love in the world. We all want to be loved, to love others, and to see people love each other and this world. However it does not take long to see that this is not lived out around us. How can it be that we have a world where everyone wants to love but love seems so distant to so many of us.

Passion brings about in us a decisive choice that we continue to embark on. Passion means we return to a value, activity or task again and again. Passion means our zeal for something which could fade. We choose to be passionate. It means turning again and again back to that which our heart desires and not giving up.

To be passionate about 'loving God, loving others and, while we are at it, loving ourselves' is not something which continues unabated and unchecked. Passion to see love in the world, and to be more

loving is something we need to choose and return to constantly.

PASSION TURNS US OUTWARDS

I missed The Wedding because I was at another wedding. Although to the happy couple, and to me, the wedding I was at was The Wedding of the year. I was preaching at the wedding of a young couple who I have known for years. The bride was a member of my youth group from years ago. She is someone I have seen grow from a small 12 year old girl to an incredible woman who will, along with her new husband, shape the world.

In the Bible reading during their service they were encouraged to clothe themselves with compassion. In my sermon I reminded the couple that this meant they should be more passionate about the other than themselves. To champion the other's interests, vocation and needs above their own.

One of the delights of the royal wedding was seeing a couple passionate about each other. That there was obvious delight in seeing the other flourish.

PASSION IS INFECTIOUS

John Wesley, the great 18th century evangelist, is reputed as saying 'Light yourself on fire with passion and people will come from miles to watch you burn.'

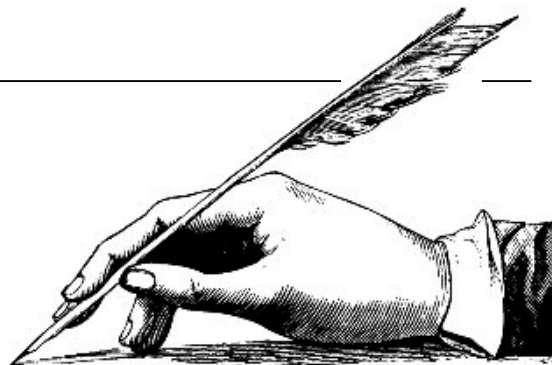
Passion tells the world what we are for, what we value and what we think is important. Choosing to allow passion to burn within us for an injustice to be put right, for a cause to be championed or, as Bishop Michael extolled, for love to be the foundation of our lives will mean others join us. They will see our excitement and desire and that is infectious.

We, at St Mary's, are passionate about 'seeing this old world made new' by the love of Jesus and the power of His Holy Spirit. Perhaps you might want to join us.

From the Registers

Baptisms

18 March Abigail Praise Waako
15 April Darcie Sydney Hook
20 May Eli Charles Benjen Pain
20 May Reginald George Newstead



Thanksgiving for the Gift of a Child

20 May Jacob William Maningas Western
20 May Grace Olivia Maningas Western

Funerals

9 April Alan Geoffrey McArthur

Interment of Ashes at Hampton Cemetery

25 April Joan Maud Jamieson

Shout with joy to God, all the earth!

SUMMER FULL CHORAL EVENSONG

followed by Light refreshments in the Church Gardens

6.30pm Sunday 15 July • St Mary's Church Hampton

Purcell – *Rejoice in the Lord (extract)*, Stanford in C – *Magnificat and Nunc dimittis*
Stanford – *Glorious and powerful God*

Rejoicing in song led by the expanded choir of St Mary's, Hampton, Evensong will follow the Book of Common Prayer. This can provide a wonderful moment of reflection and peace, surrounded by beautiful English choral music and ending with our triumphant organ.

Weather permitting, light refreshments to follow will be in the church gardens, serenaded by the full church bells, *rung by the Middlesex bell ringers.*

NO TICKETS REQUIRED. RETIRING COLLECTION

Come and see what God has done.

PSALM 66

Introducing our new Churchwarden

Written by Ivan Powell



Nally Fernando has recently been appointed Churchwarden but to many of us he is better known as one of the members of the church choir (a tenor). In addition he is St Mary's Safeguarding Officer and he has also

undertaken to oversee the Evensong service on Sunday evenings. He is clearly going to be kept very busy.

Nally was born in Enfield but now lives in Hampton Hill, married to Anne Marie and has two daughters, Isabel and Lucy. He has always enjoyed music and singing and was encouraged by a family member to join St Mary's choir and since then he has welcomed the opportunity to become part of the family at our church and it is an important part of his life as demonstrated by his commitment. He is a keen

sportsman but his real love is cricket. He plays for Hampton Hill CC and is an all-rounder, coaches at the club and has also been the Chairman of the club. I also share his love for the game so as you can imagine we got a bit diverted from the task in hand!

During his varied career he has never lost sight of the need to do charitable work particularly where such work can bring joy and pleasure to disadvantaged children. He has been a volunteer worker for Hosanna House & Children's Pilgrimage Trust (HCPT), a charity which travels with disabled and disadvantaged children on pilgrimage to Lourdes. One of Nally's goals is to visit every cathedral in England and Wales and although there are 42 he is well on the way having already visited 15.

When the time came for Nally to leave I enquired whether he was on his way home. 'No, no' he said. 'I am off to St Mary's for worship band practice as I am part of the backing group.' Now that's what I call commitment and thank you Nally.

SERVICE TIMES AT ST MARY'S

SUNDAYS

9.30am Holy Communion

A choral service with traditional hymns

11am Sunday Praise

A family friendly contemporary service with youth and children's groups and crèche

6.30pm Prayer Book Evensong

A gentle, traditional service

or

6.30pm Refresh Informal Service (4th Sunday)

WEEKDAYS

9am Morning Prayer (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday)

9am Holy Communion (Wednesday)

10am First Steps Toddler Praise (Wednesday)

A service for pre-school children with craft, games and refreshments.



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND



Sam's Reflections

Our Children and Families Work Leader, Sam Waako, reflects on his time at St Mary's before he leaves us to begin life as a Curate in Old Woking

'In their hearts humans plan their course, but the Lord establishes their steps.'

PROVERBS 16.9

I must confess, that coming to St Mary's after I had left my previous job was never my plan, it was indeed

God's plan. In fact, I thought I had a 'good' job (still in ministry) waiting for me in London, where I had done extended interviews with one of the Churches where it all looked set for me to commence work with them sooner rather than later. While waiting, my prayerful wife suggested 'looking around' while we waited – she was on to something but she didn't want to tell me directly, other than, "We can't put all our eggs in one basket." The short story is, what I thought was my job in waiting fell through, and at almost the same time, I was offered the role of part time Children and Families Work Leader at St Mary's Church Hampton. This was in April 2014. Although I took on the job reluctantly (as with most jobs since pursuing any form of ministry calling), it's been the most rewarding opportunity to serve.

The highlight for me has been seeing growth happen, not just in children's ministry but also in the whole of the life of St Mary's. Growth in numbers and growth in discipleship. I believe this has happened and continues to happen due to a number of things. Among them;

- The clergy, starting off with Derek and now with Ben, who are seeking to grow the Church in all aspects of its life and ministry.

- An excellent team of volunteers who freely give up their time and passionately seek to impart faith in the lives of especially the children of St Mary's.
- PCC and ministry team members that continually look out for the interests of the Church and the parish in general.
- The families that keep on bringing their children and young people to Church on Sunday, Mid-week and one off events – If they didn't, we (kids ministry) would not have a job to do.

Aside from work and Church, God has blessed our time at St Mary's as a family. Some of the things that have happened since we have been here include;

- The birth of our baby daughter (Abigail-Praise)
- The recommendation for training and subsequent three years of theological training

Lastly, my word of encouragement would be, let's seek to pray and listen to God. When we do, the Bible promises that He listens and he answers us, and when He does, we shall know that

'His plans are to prosper us and not to harm us, plans to give us a hope and a future.' (JER 29.11)

At least that's one lesson I have learnt in my time at St Mary's Church Hampton.

Be blessed, Samuel



On the evening of Saturday 19 May FAB took a group of young people to the *Thy Kingdom Come* celebration at St Alban's Cathedral. The gathering, which was a collaboration between Soul Survivor Watford, local and national youth organisations, the Diocese of St Albans and the Cathedral, was just one of many events which took place around the country as part of the *Thy Kingdom Come* prayer initiative. Now in its third year the annual global prayer movement invites Christians of all denominations to come together to pray between Ascension and Pentecost for people to come to know Jesus. It was great to see our young people get involved and hear how it has impacted them:

'Soul Survivor at St Albans was really fun and a great way to learn loads from some inspirational people. The preacher from the royal wedding was there, as was the Archbishop of Canterbury which was amazing. The Archbishop talked on identity and love, and paired with the worship it was a brilliant evening.' Philomena Murray (13).

We look forward to getting involved again next year.

Nick Neilan

FAB, for young people of secondary school age, meets in church on most Sunday mornings at 10.45am for discussion, games, acting, eating and other activities, plus occasional socials and trips to Soul Survivor.

For further details contact Nick Neilan 07469 147137
nick.neilan@hampton-church.org.uk

First Steps Toddler Praise Easter Celebration

Written by Charley Robinson, Preschool Room Leader at Buttons Day Nursery

For the last two terms, Buttons Day Nursery have attended a Christmas and an Easter celebration morning at St Mary's Church aimed at babies, toddlers and preschool children.

At the Christmas celebration the children sang Christmas songs, watched a video about the birth of Jesus and created a mosaic of Mary,



Joseph and baby Jesus in the stable. On the day of our visit Buttons had OFSTED visiting. The OFSTED inspector came along to the celebration and in her report wrote that, 'The manager and staff are creating strong links in their local community to develop the children's understanding



of the world. For example, children attended a story and singing session at their local church to help them learn about different cultural events.' We had so much fun at St Mary's church that we asked if we could come back for another visit.

The team at St Mary's church very kindly invited us to their morning Easter celebration. We were all very excited! For the Easter celebration the children sang some action songs and watched a video

about the celebration of Easter. The children also looked at items related to Easter, including lambs, Easter bonnets, and eggs. During our visit we also created colourful Easter egg stencils and ate hot cross buns which were extremely yummy!

The children and staff at Buttons Day Nursery love our visits to St Mary's Church and we will continue to do so in the future.



FIRST STEPS BABY & TODDLER PRAISE

An opportunity for babies, toddlers and their grown-ups to get together for singing, stories, crafts and Jesus.

Every Wednesday during term time at 10am.

St Mary's Church, Thames Street, Hampton TW12 2EB

Contact Cara Lovell for further details:
Telephone: 07879 404 201
cara.lovell@hampton-church.org.uk

**BIBLE STORIES SINGING
CRAFT & JESUS**



FOR BABIES, TODDLERS & THEIR GROWN-UPS

A safe space for your little ones to play while you relax, have a cup of tea and make friends.

Our weekly activities include craft, singing and story-telling. If your baby is still too young to join in with some of these activities then we have baby mats so your baby can still enjoy watching the older toddlers play.

We are here every Monday during term time, 1.30-3pm

St Mary's Community Hall,
Church St, Hampton TW12 2EB

Contact Mary Collins for details:
Tel: 07415 814 195 maryjcollins86@gmail.com

**TOYS CRAFT STORY SONGS
COFFEE CHAT FRIENDSHIP**



As MTV Youth approaches its 7th birthday it seems a good time to consider why the youth club was formed and why we continue to do what we do.

The club was set up in 2011 in response to concerns raised in the local community over a lack of support for young people and rising anti-social behaviour.

Keen to do something to help we started free football coaching with a few kids from the Oldfield Road Estate. Within 6 months of that first football session we launched the Friday night youth club on the same site (now St Mary's Hampton CE primary school).

None of us had ever set up a youth club before but we could see an obvious need and had a deep desire to make a positive difference to the lives of the young people in Hampton.

Seven years on, having worked with several hundred young people, that desire to see lives transformed and potential fulfilled is stronger than ever and is the reason we have continued to push for a permanent base for the club.

Since October 2016 we have had to run the youth club off two sites (an indoor club at Hampton Baptist church hall and an outdoor club at St Mary's Hampton CE primary school) whilst continuing to negotiate with the council to secure suitable premises. Finally we are beginning to make real progress. Although there is much work to be done we are very hopeful that we will see MTV Youth back on one site at some point during the forthcoming Autumn term, thus enabling the club to sustain and enhance the support we offer to young people in the community.

MTV Youth, Hampton is a local youth project run by the community for the community. If you would like to support the club financially or join us as a volunteer please contact info@mtvhampton.org.uk.

Nick Neilan

REV'ING UP

Written by Cara Lovell

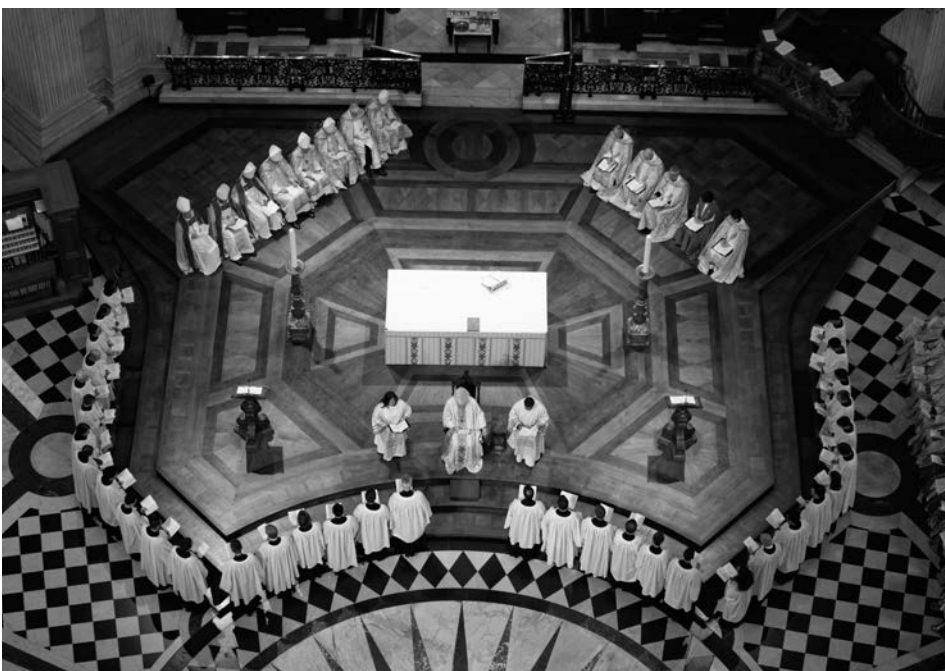
On Saturday 30 June at 3pm I will walk down the aisle of St Paul's Cathedral. But I won't be at the cathedral to admire the soaring height of the famous dome as a tourist. I will be walking down the aisle with about forty other men and women to be ordained as the newest 'reverends' in the London Diocese of the Church of England. I will be ordained by the new Bishop of London, Bishop Sarah Mullally – the first women to occupy this role.

This will be the culmination of a long journey of many years. There is a story in my family that, when I was a teenager who had fairly recently become a Christian and started attending church, my granny said to my mother, 'I think Cara would make an excellent vicar's wife,' to which my mother replied, 'I think she'd make an excellent vicar!' Turns out both of them were right!

I started to seriously explore whether God was calling me to ordained ministry in 2012. At that point I was an occupational therapist working in the NHS, Ben had recently begun training for ordination, and we had a two-year-old daughter. The selection process in the Church of England is lengthy and it was protracted further by the arrival of our second child in 2014. I finally commenced my training in September 2015 at St Mellitus College in central London. Over the past three years I have enjoyed training alongside a wonderful group of people from all walks of life and am in the process of completing an MA in Theology.

After my ordination at St Paul's Cathedral at the end of June, I will be serving as Curate at St Mary's Hampton. This will be a part-time role as I am also going to be working towards a doctorate in theology through Durham University. I am delighted that I will be able to serve my curacy at St Mary's and among the people of Hampton.

The photograph below is of Ben's ordination in 2014 and give a flavour of what's in store for me.



The Rt Revd and Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally DBE, Bishop of London

Written by Hilary Hart



On Saturday, 12 May, I was lucky enough to be present in St Paul's Cathedral, at the Installation of Dame Sarah Mullally as the 133rd Bishop of London. This was a historic occasion as she is the first woman to hold such a senior position in the Church of England. Legislation to allow female bishops was formally adopted by the Church of England in 2014.

As we queued up outside the Cathedral, before the doors opened, Bishop Sarah mingled amongst us.

Bishop Sarah is a former Chief Nursing Officer and was made a Dame Commander of the British Empire in 2005 in recognition of her outstanding contribution to nursing and midwifery. So it was rather apt that 12 May was Florence Nightingale's birthday. She takes over from Dr Richard Chartres who retired in February 2017.

Bishop Sarah now holds the third most senior position in the Church of England, having previously been the Bishop of Crediton in the Diocese of Exeter and the Canon Treasurer at Salisbury Cathedral.

The service at St Paul's was attended by many dignitaries from the City of London, including the Lord Mayor, clergy from across the Diocese and representatives of world faiths, as well as representatives from the laity within the diocese.

After the welcome and bidding, Bishop Sarah performed the tradition of striking three times on the Cathedral's Great West door with her pastoral staff.

In her sermon, Bishop Sarah preached on the theme of 'being subversive for Christ' – noting that 105 years ago this week, suffragettes placed a bomb underneath the same seat upon which she had been enthroned as Bishop of London. The bomb was defused before it did any damage. She called for a culture that 'challenges deference and the abuse of power' and for victims of abuse to be listened to.

She added: 'We need to speak up for the whole of London, to work to challenge the violence and the crime that have led mothers to clean their own children's blood from our pavements. Could there be a starker image or a more urgent wake-up call for all who love this city, who believe it can have an even better future?'

After all the pomp and ceremony, as we left the Cathedral, the St Michael and All Angels Steel Band, Brent was playing on the portico outside, which continued to lift our spirits after an awesome service.

As Bishop Sarah leads the church in London, we pray for the Holy Spirit to guide her in all she does and help her to nurture her own spiritual life in Christ and to inspire others.



CLASSICS ON THE GREEN

Sunday 1 July 2018 □ 11am to 4pm

*It's your day to shine,
polish, buff and sparkle*

HAMPTON VILLAGE GREEN, STATION ROAD, HAMPTON TW12



If you would like to enter your car or be a sponsor or stall holder, call Nick or Jane Witham at the Jolly Coopers on 020 8979 3384. Entrants should be resident in Hampton or have a strong connection with our village.



HAMPTON VILLAGE TRADERS ASSOCIATION

It's a Chaplain's Life

By Paul Barker

I am privileged to serve as a chaplain at Heathrow Airport, as well as our local football team, Hampton & Richmond Borough FC. Both are very different, yet similar. The ethos of both Sports Chaplaincy UK and the Multi Faith Chaplaincy, at Heathrow, is virtually the same. This is to offer pastoral and spiritual support to those of all faiths and those of none. There ends the similarity!

Heathrow Airport has a working population of nearly 80,000 and around 79 million passengers passing through its 4 terminals. H&RBFC, on the other hand had an average attendance of just 590, for the season that has just finished.

I am lead chaplain in terminal 2 and interact with staff as well as passengers. The staff range from senior terminal management to those who keep the building looking clean and tidy and as far as I am concerned all have a vital role to play. Passengers vary greatly as well. I see the regular business traveller, who is always in a rush, and the elderly couple who are travelling for the first time to see their grand-children on the other side of the world.

In 'The Great Commission' at the end of Matthew's gospel the disciples were commanded to 'Go into all the world'. I have no need to 'go' as the world comes to me! Travellers come from all parts of the globe and the workers are also from many nations and represent many faith communities.

As I set out on my daily rounds I never know who I might meet or what situation I may find myself in. It is vital that I ask God's Spirit to guide me. Many conversations are just general chit chat, but others want to talk about a family crisis or bereavement.

The chaplaincy team is 'on call' 24/7, 365 days a year. We act as an additional emergency service, as and when the need arrives. The most common

call out is for a death on board. We are on hand to offer comfort to the travelling companions of the deceased and to the airline crew, who find such an event traumatic.

Thankfully I have not had to deal with anything quite as dramatic as that at the football club, although there were a lot of very disappointed folks as 'The Beavers' lost their recent play-off final in a penalty shoot-out. I offer pastoral support and a listening ear to the largest 'congregation' in Hampton. The 'congregation' includes everyone at the club, players, supporters and volunteers.

I have been extremely fortunate that the now departed manager, Alan Dowson, allowed me access to the changing rooms to speak to the players before matches. Following that visit I conducted pre-match prayers for any players that wanted to join in. I am delighted that 5 or 6 out of the squad of 16 joined in regularly. I am praying that the new manager will allow me similar privileges.

I write an article for the match day programme, called 'Chaplain's Corner'. This column also appears on the club's website and usually links a football or sporting theme to a Christian message. I have received many positive comments, from all sorts of people, in the club, which is very encouraging.

Many folks ask me why do I do chaplaincy work? The answer is quite simple really. When Jesus was going about His ministry He went and met people where they were, rather than expecting them to meet Him in the Synagogue. So, if it was good enough for Jesus, then it's good enough for me!! With church attendances falling and a world still needing to know God's love, the 'church' needs to learn to play away, rather than on its own patch. This is THE challenge before Christian Church in the 21st century.



FLING WIDE THE GATES



The Crucifixion

by John Stainer, libretto by William John Sparrow-Simpson

St Mary's Extended Parish Choir, St Mary's Church, Hampton, 25 March 2018

Review by Mark Aspen

In 2018, the supreme sacrifice may seem a concept almost infinitely remote for most of us. But, the ultimate sacrificing of one's own life for another is part of the implicit covenant made by all recruits into the military, and what parents would not risk their own lives for those of their children? Taking the place of another who is facing death is perhaps a step further, but not remote.

Just a day before Palm Sunday 2018, when the extended choir of St Mary's performed Stainer's oratorio, at a supermarket near Carcassonne, the French gendarme Arnaud Beltrame did just that. He offered himself instead of the young woman being held hostage by a terrorist gunman, and was brutally killed as a consequence. (A few days later, President Macron was to place France's highest award for bravery on Beltrame's coffin as he was posthumously made a commander of the Legion of Honour.)

In a reflection in the brief mediation that preceded the oratorio, Ben Lovell, the Vicar of St Mary's paid homage to Beltrame, whose actions mirrored the even greater sacrifice of Christ, which would be marked that coming Friday. On Good Friday Christ offered himself for all of mankind, as God's gift at Easter.

The reading in the mediation was from Isaiah 53, a passage well-known not only to the faithful, but also to all aficionados of the oratorio through the most

sublime passages in Handel's Messiah, 'a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief ... despised'.

Under the inspired leadership of St Mary's Choir Director and Organist, David Pimm, an occasional series of sacred choral music, requiems and oratorios, has gained a wide following amongst music lovers and those who are moved by these remarkable works.

Musically, the Palm Sunday concert was magnificent. Even before entering the church, the evening's music was embellished by ringing of the changes by an extended team from the Middlesex Bellringers on the church's Major of eight bells, cast by Thomas Mears in 1831.

This was a significant year. The organ, restored in the summer of 2017, was a gift from King William IV, and the present church was consecrated on 1 September 1831, exactly one week before William's coronation. Moreover, as Duke of Clarence, he had been instrumental in the church's rebuilding.

Not only is the organ an outstanding instrument, but for Stainer's Crucifixion it was played by Nat Keiller, an award-winning Royal College of Organists graduate. As introductory music before the service, Keiller played Charles John Stanley, Organ Voluntary No 3 from his Opus 5 Ten Voluntaries for Organ (1748).

Stainer's Crucifixion is a wide-ranging piece for the organ, with a number of virtuoso passages. The St Mary's organ was extended shortly after the oratorio was first performed at St Marylebone in 1887, when Stainer was Professor of Music at Oxford. Whilst in the format of the various Passion oratorios by Bach and others of a century and a half previously, Stainer's Crucifixion is typical of the expressive church music of the late 19th century, with its unshakably ardent belief in the Gospel. It is this that makes the piece so remarkable in its range from aching tenderness, through painful despondency, to majestic triumph.

The oratorio is very much an ensemble piece, choir and organ working in a finely entwined discourse, which is most evident in the powerful chorus piece, Processional to Calvary, which opens with a solo organ overture, expansive and stately, rising to a forte trumpeting, before the chorus demands, "Fling wide the gates". This is almost immediately juxtaposed with a beautifully expressive solo, originally written for tenor voice but here transposed for the choir's outstanding lyrical soprano Fiona Rowett.

Much of the work however, takes the form of dialogues between male soloists and narration involving the chorus. The majority of this interchange was undertaken by Jonathan Williams, an assured accomplished tenor soloist and William Ormerod, who is remarkable in being able to extend the baritone register both high into the tenor range and down towards the bass. The Agony, written as tenor and bass solos and chorus, and based on text from St Mark's gospel, which opens the piece, is a case in point. Ormerod develops the weightiness of the mood as it descends in questioning desolation though Christ's words interspersed with the chorus' reflections, and narrated by Williams' recitative, with the cynical taunting of the Pharisees provided by Graham Beresford's rich bass. The increasing abjection of Christ is underlined by the descent of the organ down its own voice register.

The tenor solo The Majesty of the Divine Humiliation was finely delivered by Williams, pointing up the oxymoron in the contrast of majesty and humiliation, sustaining 'sublime' in 'Thou art sublime, far more awful in Thy weakness', and rising to a strong crescendo as 'crownless' is surmounted by 'in glory interceding, Thou art King!' This then develops into the centre-piece of the oratorio, God

So Loved the World from St John's gospel, a lyrical a cappella chorus figure, opening pianissimo, rising to a forte crescendo with the words "everlasting life", before a diminuendo into silence.

The dialogues depicting the first hours of the crucifixion, 'Father, forgive them', a tenor and male chorus recitative, and the bass and male chorus, 'One of the malefactors' gave further demonstration of the strengths of St Mary's choir, with the secure bass of John Sutton and the distinctively decorated tenor of Nally Fernando.

The final hours on the cross are largely depicted by the organ, notwithstanding fine passionate chorus and solo singing, such as the 'When Jesus therefore saw His mother' tenor solo with male chorus and the 'Is it nothing' baritone solo. When the organ lowered its voice in 'There was darkness over all the land', the atmospheric rumbling shaking the building was awe-inspiring.

The 'Is it nothing' motif is picked up in the chorus' The Appeal of the Crucified, in a pianissimo 'Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by?', which builds brutally into the cry of the crowd 'Crucify!' Then the music and words fade away with 'for why will ye die'... 'Come unto Me'.

This working of volumes, of amplitude and silence, is one of the many strengths of the work, and indeed after the final recitative 'After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished', Stainer's score implies silence. Silence from choir, from organ, from congregation... and by implication, from the world.

Reprinted from Mark Aspen reviews:
www.markaspen.wordpress.com/2018/03/30/crux

ST MARY'S CHURCH CHOIR

For keen and able singers of any age.
Practice Friday evenings 7.45pm,
for 9.30am Sunday services.

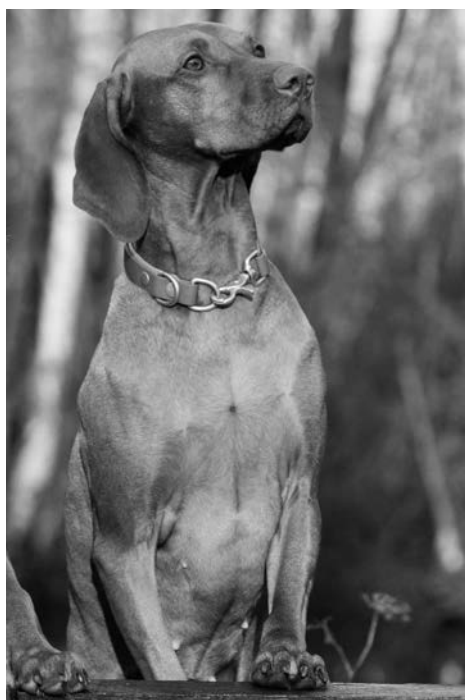
Trainee choristers
(adults and children) welcome.

Contact: David Pimm
020 8399 2404

HOUSEKEEPER/DOG WALKER WANTED

- Reliable, friendly person needed to help in local family home.
- 9.30am til midday, Monday to Friday, £9.50 per hour.
- 6 weeks paid holiday per year, including Bank Holidays, taken when the family is away.
- Good spoken and written English needed. Must have the right to work in the UK.

Please email natgvp@gmail.com



XPRESS

AUTO LOCKSMITH SERVICES



**LOST OR SPARE KEYS
FAST MOBILE SERVICE &
KEY CUTTING / CLONING
TRANSPONDER PROGRAMMING
REMOTE SALES & REPAIRS
SAVINGS ON DEALER PRICES
NON DESTRUCTIVE CAR OPENING**

CALL BRENDAN: 07916 176542

info@carkeyonline.co.uk www.carkeyonline.co.uk



The Oven Man®

**Your local independent oven cleaning,
spares and repair service**

All makes of ovens, hobs, extractors, microwaves and BBQs lovingly restored to their former glory by reliable, friendly and fully trained experts.

www.ovenman.co.uk

Call 020 8185 7069

LOOKING FOR A NEW FLOOR?

For a no obligation free estimate

CALL US DIRECT ON: 020 8941 9900



We supply and install all major brands of:

- ◆ Carpet
- ◆ Coir
- ◆ Seagrass etc
- ◆ Wood
- ◆ Laminates
- ◆ Karndean
- ◆ Rubber



Visit our showroom at:

The Hampton Flooring Co
78 Milton Road, Hampton,
Middlesex TW12 2LJ

www.hamptonflooring.co.uk

We are OFT Approved.

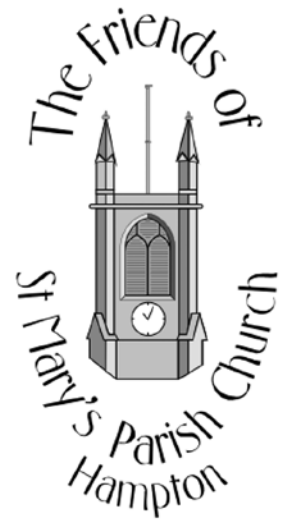
That's what Friends are for

Written by Didie Bucknall

A beautiful new pennant flies bravely from the flagpole above St Mary's church. Over the course of the next months it will become torn, tattered and weathered by wind and air pollution. The pennant was a donation by the Friends of St Mary's. Some might wonder who are the Friends of St Mary's? They are just people who love and value the old building and want to see it looking at its best. The Friends are by no means all churchgoers, though of course many of them are. Membership is by donation which can be as little or as much as desired.

All churches need Friends, they are the ones who give new notice boards, comfy pew cushions, carpeting, refurbish old kneelers, renovate precious altar frontals and replace tatty pennants – all the things which left to their natural order become dreary and bedraggled.

The Friends of St Mary's run the Toiletries stall both at the Christmas Fayre and the Fete, where more information about them and their future plans can be found. The Friends open the Church on the afternoons of the third Sunday of the month from 2.30pm to 4.30pm and, on 16 September there will be a talk and exhibition of 'Treasures from the Vestry' by Nigel Francis, the Chairman of the Friends, and all are very welcome.



The Friends of St Mary's help care for the up keep of the building by fund-raising and social events.

Discretionary annual subscription fee.

All welcome.

Contact: Nigel Francis
020 8941 1467

Roofing, Plumbing and General Repairs

D.R. ALLISTON

Builder & Decorator
62 Broad Lane, Hampton
TW12 3BG

020 8979 9466

or mobile:

07802 877137

Kitchen and Bathroom
Conversions

TJ PARKER

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR

- ✓ Domestic & Commercial
- ✓ Rewiring
- ✓ Extra lights and sockets
- ✓ Fuse box upgrade
- ✓ PAT testing
- ✓ Part P approved
& BS 7671 compliant

TJ Parker Electrician Ltd,
Wensleydale Road, Hampton



Tel: 07944 739795

Web: www.tjparkerelectrician.co.uk

ST MARY'S BOOK CLUB

Meets in the Jolly Coopers on the first Monday of the month (second Monday if there is a Bank Holiday).

Contact:
Pat Felstead
020 8979 9990



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

Contact: Andrea Harris
020 3560 5796

BELL RINGING AT ST MARY'S



For anyone who would like to combine pleasant physical and mental exercise. Tuesday 8pm practice.

Contact: Alison Ward
020 8979 9848

THE BELL INN
HAMPTON

LUNCH CLUB

Only £9.95

Choose any of the following drinks with selected dishes from our menu for £9.95!
(Available: Mon-Thurs 12-3pm, all dishes marked with ⇄)



Terms and Conditions can be found on the original flyer found at The Bell Inn. Alternative ring 020 8941 9799 for more information.

FUNERAL DIRECTORS & MEMORIAL STONEMASONS

Nothing has changed except the name

Since 1972, Lodge Brothers, the 7th generation family-owned funeral directors, have been the proud owners of G.S Keates & Co, helping and advising the local community in their time of need. We are now proud to announce a new branch name:

Lodge Brothers & Keates

Nothing has changed except the name. You can still find us at

49 High Street, Hampton Hill, Middlesex TW12 INH. Tel: 020 8941 4022



G.S. Keates
& CO. 1869

is now

Lodge
BROTHERS 1780
& Keates



Quality care in your own home
from hourly visits to Live In Care



Our services include:

Companionship
Personal Care
Dementia Care
Hospital to Home
Live In Care

And much more...

0203 376 3535

rightathomeuk.com/twickenham



THE 30-MINUTE FULL BODY WORKOUT DESIGNED FOR WOMEN

GET FIT GAIN STRENGTH LOSE WEIGHT



TRY CURVES NOW
50% OFF
THE SERVICE FEE*

Curves Hampton/Teddington
0203 068 0077

77-81 Station Road Hampton, TW12 2BJ
30mins@curveshamptonteddington.co.uk
curveshamptonteddington.co.uk
f /CurvesHamptonTeddington
i /CurvesHampTedd

Curves

The Parish Link

Volunteers deliver the Parish Link free to every home in the parish.

Contact the editor:

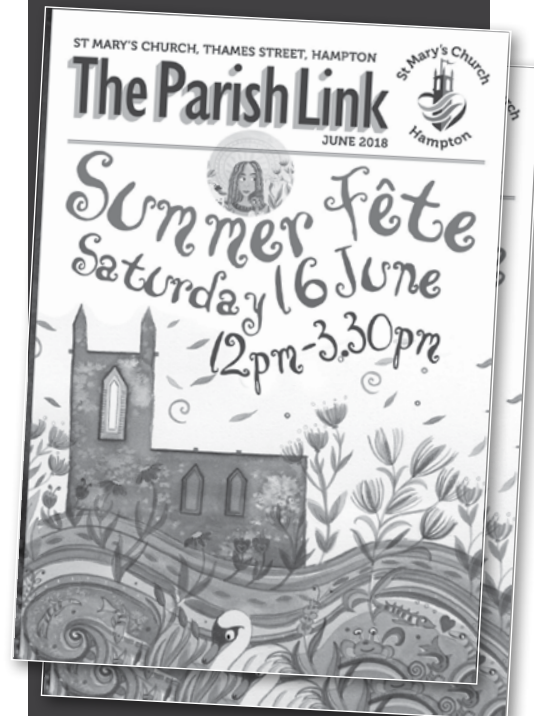
link@hampton-church.org.uk

Advertising:

SUSAN SPRAGGS

Telephone: 020 8941 0204

linkads@hampton-church.org.uk



VETS IN HAMPTON

- A Dedicated & Caring Animal Practice
- Modern Medical & Surgical Facilities
- Health Checks; Neutering; Vaccinations & Dental Care
- Pet Health Schemes
- Pet Passport & Exports
- Nurse Clinics



OPENING HOURS

Mon-Fri 8.30am-7pm
Sat 11.30am-12.30pm

WILLETT HOUSE
VETERINARY SURGEONS

T/F: 0208 9418791

Email: hampton@willetthouse.co.uk
www.willetthouse.co.uk

41 Priory Road
Hampton
Middlesex
TW12 2NS

Hampton Hounds



Professional Grooming Salon

Dog Grooming
Cat Grooming
Dog Day Crèche

020 8941 4868

97 Station Road, Hampton, TW12 2BD

info@hamptonhounds.co.uk

www.hamptonhounds.co.uk

TEATIME FELLOWSHIP



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

Contact: Pat Felstead
020 8979 9990



**ST MARY'S
COMMUNITY HALL
CHURCH STREET
HAMPTON**



Available for bookings
at weekends for
children's parties, etc



To check availability,
please call
Mrs Pat Lewis on
020 8979 2615

hall-booking@hampton-church.org.uk

RICHMOND BRIDGE BOATHOUSES



MARK EDWARDS . TOM BALM . TYRONE MARLOW



Continue a 300 year old
tradition of building,
restoring and letting
Fine Thames Craft

**FOR FREE ADVICE OR
ESTIMATES PHONE US
ON
020 8948 8270**

✿
Camping Skiffs and
other boats for hire

**1-3 BRIDGE BOATHOUSE
RICHMOND SURREY
TW8 1TH**



IMPRESSED

123 Station Road, Hampton TW12 2AL
020 8255 3702

**DRY CLEANING
IRONING
LAUNDRY**

Opening times
Monday to Friday
08.00 – 18.00
Saturday
09.00 – 15.30

- * Hand Finished Dry Cleaning
- * Curtains and Upholstery
- * Repairs and Alterations
- * Suede and Leather
- * Duvels

Free Collection and Delivery



Dreams
Weddings & Events
Turning Your Dreams Into Reality...

Offering various Wedding Planning and Event Management services in and around London and across the UK. My prices are very competitive and if you can find a better deal from other event management companies I will try and beat it!

I can cater for weddings, special occasions, parties or events. Whether your budget is large or small, I can create that perfect, memorable, day for you.

Whatever your dreams are, I can turn them into reality!

If you want to have a bespoke, memorable, wedding or event then give me a call or send me an email to discuss all your needs and requirements so I can take all your stress away and you can just relax and enjoy every moment!

Station Road, Hampton, TW12 2AL
07729 368808 sarah@dreamsweddingsandevents.co.uk
www.dreamsweddingsandevents.co.uk
Facebook: /dreamsweddingsandevents Twitter: @DWELondon

Professional Handyman

All home maintenance, improvement and repairs

Ken Howard

01483 480565

Established in the Hampton Area since 1983



buttons

day nurseries



Quote 'Hampton' now to receive a total discount of 15% over your first 3 months!

020 8840 3355

51, High Street, Hampton TW12 2SX

Thameside Harmony Chorus

Come and sing with our friendly ladies a capella chorus Thameside Harmony on Wednesday nights 7.45-10pm in Hampton



For further information call 020 8287 2684

www.thamesideharmony.co.uk



Twickenham Preparatory School

Prospective families are welcome to visit the school for a personal tour with the Headmaster
Please call 020 8979 6216



Brilliant futures come from good foundations

Co-educational, Independent Day School in Hampton

Prune and TIDY

I can help you:

- Prune plants
- Divide and move perennials
- Plant summer bedding
- Design and plant hanging baskets and containers
- Mow and edge the lawn
- Weed and mulch
- Plan planting schemes

Run by experienced Level 2 RHS Horticulture trained gardener. Reasonable rates; discounts for the retired and regular maintenance work.

m: **07939 443379**

e: info@pruneandtidy.com

www.pruneandtidy.com



Nature's Medicine

£5 OFF
any treatment with this advert

Hampton Osteopathic & Complementary Health Clinic

A relaxing peaceful retreat where highly qualified practitioners treat you with care and consideration

Osteopathy • Cranial Osteopathy • Massages • Aromatherapy • Reflexology • Acupuncture
REN Facial Treatments • La Stone Treatment • Bowen Technique • Indian Head Massage
Nutrition • Herbal Medicine • Hopi Ear Candles • Reiki • Life Coaching • Thai Massage
Homeopathy • Crystal Healing • Counselling • Psychotherapy • Meditation • Stress Management
Asyra Pro Bio-Energetic Screenings • Cupping • Angel Massage and Angel Oracle Card Readings

8 Station Approach, Hampton, Middlesex TW12 2HY Telephone: 020 8979 2323

Email: hampton@natures-medicine.co.uk www.natures-medicine.co.uk

Dr Pingping
Chinese Acupuncture & Herbal Medicine Centre
 Open Monday – Saturday 9am – 6pm
 (After 6pm only booked appointment patients)

Acupuncture £50 per session
 Gua She (eliminate Toxin) £60 per session
 Acupuncture & Gua Sha £80 per session
 Cupping £50 per session
 Tui Na (only for children) £50 per session
 Moxibustion (instead of needles) £90
 Chinese herbs £50 per week (7 package)

FREE CONSULTATION

39 Priory Road, Hampton TW12 2NS
 Tel: 020 8941 0966 or 07876 123 115
 Email: drpingpinglondon@yahoo.co.uk
 www.drpingpinglondon.com

Squiffy's RESTAURANT @THE JOLLY COOPERS




*Come to Squiffy's for Lunch with the Naughty Chef.
 Homemade food, locally sourced ingredients and a wide choice of contemporary and traditional menus. Squiffy's – keeping it local for you.*

THE JOLLY COOPERS OPEN
 11am – 11pm Mon-Saturday • 12pm – 10.30pm Sunday

SQUIFFY'S RESTAURANT OPEN
 Monday to Friday Lunch 11am – 2pm
 Monday to Friday Evening 5pm – 10pm
 Saturday 12pm – 10pm • Sunday 12pm – 5pm

The Jolly Coopers 16 High Street Hampton TW12 2SJ
 T: 020 8979 3384 www.squiffysrestaurant.co.uk



JUDITH STRONG design

CURTAINS AND BLINDS
 Made to measure including tracks, fittings and soft furnishings.
 Wide variety of fabrics available.
 Fast and reliable service at reasonable prices.

For more information please contact Judith on 0208 979 2655 or 07841 054559 or visit our web site at www.judithstrongdesign.co.uk



F.W.B. RESTORATIONS

- ✦ Antique Marble and Stone Chimneypieces cleaned and restored
- ✦ Marble and Stone Chimneypieces installed
- ✦ Hearths supplied and restored
- ✦ Garden statuary cleaned and restored
- ✦ Marble and stone floors polished
- ✦ Stone steps repaired and restored

For a quote or advice contact Fraser Body
 020 8941 0476 07932 832 396
fraserbody@btinternet.com
www.fwbrestorations.co.uk

MARINI'S
QUALITY FISH & CHIPS
 020 8287 1119
 Marini family business since 1987

Lunch Time:
 Tues – Sat 11.30am - 2pm

Evening:
 Tues – Thurs 5pm - 9.30pm
 Friday 5pm - 10pm
 Saturday 5pm - 9pm

115 STATION ROAD
 HAMPTON, MIDDX TW12 2AL
www.marinis-hampton.co.uk

Hampton Beds
 26 years experience of selling quality beds and furniture



82 Milton Road
 Hampton
 Middlesex
 TW12 2LJ

Open Mon - Sat
 020 8487 3443
info@hamptonbeds.co.uk
www.hamptonbeds.co.uk



365 days of outdoor swimming in heated tropical blue water

- Heated water all year round
- 36 metre pool ● Learner pool
- Parent & toddler sessions ● Sauna
- Swimming lessons ● Aqua aerobics
- Water polo ● Sun Deck Café
- Newly equipped and refurbished gym
- Fitness classes ● Thames Turbo Triathlon

hampton pool

High Street, Hampton, Middlesex, TW12 2ST ☎ 020 8255 1116

www.hamptonpool.co.uk

Hampton Pool is managed by Kingston & Wimbledon YMCA on behalf of Hampton Pool Trust. Hampton Pool Trust and Kingston & Wimbledon YMCA are both registered charities.



Alan Greenwood & Sons

Independent Family Funeral Directors
www.alangreenwoodfunerals.com

Providing a Personal and Caring
 Dignified and Professional
 24hr Service

Latest Jaguar and Mercedes Vehicles
 Memorials and Masonry
 Home visit arrangements
 Pre-paid Funeral Plans
 Very competitive charges

31 High Street
 Hampton Hill
 TW12 1NB
 020 8941 3583

hamptonhill@alangreenwoodfunerals.com

Julia's Montessori Nursery School

St Mary's Church Hall,
 Hampton

for 2½ 5 year olds
 Dedicated and qualified staff

High standard of care
 and early education using
 the Montessori Method

020 8335 0666



Local manufacturer of the
 finest traditional timber
 windows & doors

- Refurbishment & Draught Proofing
 - New Double Glazed Sashes
 - Replacement Windows & Doors
 - Slimline Double Glazing For Conservation & Listed Properties

Call us to arrange
 a free no-obligation survey



Timbawood Ltd., Unit 9 Mount Road Ind. Estate, Hanworth, Middx, TW13 6AR
 Tel: 0800 043 2499 Email: info@timbawood.co.uk

www.timbawood.co.uk



Words and Figures Limited

*Accountancy
 Taxation & Payroll
 Services*

2a Tudor Road
 Hampton

020 8783 1352
 020 8783 1351

BA PROPERTY SERVICES

- ☑ Painting & Decorating
- ☑ Tiling and Plastering
- ☑ Flooring, Fencing renewals & repairs
- ☑ Gutter renewals and clearances



All aspects of property maintenance including roof tile and slate replacements and re-pointing chimney stacks

Local/established 23 years
Free estimates and advice
Friendly and competent service



Tel: 0771 0279596
email barryevans2000@yahoo.co.uk

Alison Claire Edwards
Tante Marie Cordon Bleu
Diploma



A Bit of a Do

Catering specialise in the provision of superior quality catering at an affordable price with that all important personal touch.

1 St James's Road, Hampton Hill, TW12 1DH
Please call us at any time on 020 8941 7640
alison@abitofadocatering.com
www.abitofadocatering.com



Hampton Centre Dance Academy

Ballet * Modern * Jazz

Including:

Baby Ballet from 3 Years
Adult Ballet



We also do:
Examinations, Biannual Shows
and Festivals

Classes held at:
Linden Hall, Hampton, TW12 2JG

Register for your
FREE trial class: hamptoncentredanceacademy@gmail.com

Care in your own home ...
a realistic alternative to residential care



020 8744 9948

15 Lion Road, Twickenham TW1 4JH
Email: richmond@bluebirdcare.co.uk
www.bluebirdcare.co.uk

Plumbers

No Job Too Big or Too Small
Repairs, Replacements
New Installations



Hampton, Teddington
& Twickenham

07952 668959

girls-on-tap.co.uk



Sian Baker Grad Dip Phys MCSP SRP
Chartered Physiotherapist

Physiotherapy and Sports Injuries Clinic

37 Ashley Road, Hampton TW12 2JA
Tel: 020 8941 7470



FINE BANGLADESHI & INDIAN CUISINE

An Exclusive Dining Experience

Banquet Night Every Tuesday Just £10.95
Winner National Curry Chef Competition
(Borough of Spelthorne)

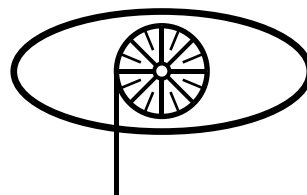
Open Daily 12pm-2.30pm & 5.30pm-11pm
Dine in or Take Away

87-89 Station Road, Hampton TW12 2B

Tel: 020 8941 0555
www.ruchirestaurant.co.uk



Priory Opticians



Your friendly local
opticians for all your
optical needs

37 Priory Road, Hampton TW12 2NS
020 8979 0203
www.prioryopticians.com



ST. CATHERINE'S SCHOOL
TWICKENHAM



Year 5 Activities Morning

Saturday 16th June 2018 • 8:30am - 12:00 noon

We are also hosting our **Whole School Open Afternoon**
at 1:00pm on the same day.

A Catholic school warmly welcoming girls of all faiths, age 3-18.

Please call Ms Chantal Goldburn to reserve your place on
020 3261 0142 or email cgoldburn@stcatherineschool.co.uk

www.stcatherineschool.co.uk
Cross Deep, Twickenham, TW1 4QJ

List of Advertisers

Whilst we encourage support of local firms, we regret that we cannot be held responsible for services offered by our advertisers.

A Bit of a Do – Catering22
 Alan Greenwood – Undertakers.21
 Approach Practice – Physiotherapist.22
 A – Z Builders23
 BA Property Services22
 Bell Inn, The16
 Bluebird Home Care22
 Buttons Day Nursery.19
 Curves – Fitness Studio.17
 D R Alliston – Builder & Decorator15
 Dreams – Wedding Planner.18
 Dr Ping Ping Chinese Acupuncture
 and Herbal Medicine20
 FW B Restorations20
 Girls on Tap – Plumbers.22
 Hampton Beds20
 Hampton Centre Dance Academy22
 Hampton Flooring Company.14
 Hampton Hounds – Pet Grooming17
 Hampton Pool21
 Impressed – Dry Cleaning18
 Judith Strong Design20
 Julia's Montessori Nursery School.21
 Ken Howard – Professional Handyman.19
 Lodge Brothers & Keates – Funeral Directors. .16
 Marini's – Fish & Chip Shop.20
 Nature's Medicine19
 Oven Man – Oven Cleaning14
 Priory Opticians.22
 Prune and Tidy – Gardner19
 Richmond Bridge Boathouses18
 Right at Home16
 Ruchi – Bangladeshi Cuisine22
 Squiffy's Restaurant @ Jolly Coopers20
 St Catherine's School.23
 Thameside Harmony Chorus19
 Timbawood Ltd21
 T J Parker – Electrical Contractor.15
 Twickenham Preparatory School.19
 Willett House – Veterinary Surgeons17
 Words & Figures – Accountants21
 Xpress Locksmith14

A-Z Builders

Refurbishments, extensions, alterations,
roofing – all trades
Painting and decorating specialists

Your friendly local builder and decorator

020 8979 4238
Mobile: 07979 856524

10 Thirlestane House, 195 Uxbridge Road
HAMPTON HILL TW12 1AX

Fully insured. Established 1989

Summer Fête

FREE ENTRY

Raffle - Tombola - BBQ & Teas
Flower Festival - Face Painting
Lots of Traditional Stalls

