

NOTICES

CHRISTIAN AID: The total collection for this year's Christian Aid now stands at **£934.36**. Esther and Abby would like to specially thank all members of St Mary's Church and others who contributed financially and through prayers to the success of this year's Christian Aid collection. It wouldn't have been possible without your usual participations.

CHRISTOPHER WHEELER would like to thank everyone for their kind words, good wishes, cards and very generous gifts on the occasion of his leaving service. The gift token will be used to plant some birch trees as a reminder of his time in Finchley.

FUNDRAISING THANKS:

Christian Aid we raised £934.36
Car Rally we raised £450 for the roof
Garden Choir Concert we raised £294.55
Well done! Thank you to those who organised and those who generously supported.

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY – Gladys Vendy and Lorna Lambert will be very pleased if all box holders would bring their boxes or donations to either the 8am or 10am service, or leave in the parish office, as soon as possible, please.

ST EDMUND'S CHRISTIAN STUDIES COURSE. Are you interested in a course that relates Christian Studies to modern life? This is a diocesan course that has proved to be very popular. If you would like more details please contact the Rector.

DIARY

FLOWER TEAMS: Short gathering please during coffee time (11.30) to discuss the wedding on July 29. We urgently need extra helpers to cover for three key arrangers who are currently ill. No experience necessary. - just a love of flowers

2017 INCLUSIVE CHURCH AGM AND LECTURE:
6-8.30 p.m. on **Thursday 20th July** at St Paul's Cathedral. The Dean of St Paul's, David Ison, is giving the lecture entitled "Including the Exclusive: how liberal can you be?"

HOLIDAY AT HOME 27-29 July: If you are interested in coming, or know anyone who might like to come please contact the Rector.

SEEKING GOD: The next meeting for discussion will take place on **1 August** at 8pm at Nigel Wildish's house: Fair City, 25B Ravensdale Avenue, North Finchley. We will discuss the 39 Articles. Following that meeting, we will meet on **19 September**.

PATRONAL FESTIVAL 10 September. Festival Eucharist at 10am followed by a parish lunch. Guest preacher The Revd Andrew Williams.

TRIP TO NORTHERN CYPRUS led by Revd Jane Kraft.
27 September to 4th October. A few places are available. See the poster for more details.

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5th Sunday of Trinity
16th July 2017
ST MARY-AT-FINCHLEY
HENDON LANE, N3 1TR



WELCOME - this is an Inclusive Church. If you are new to St Mary's and would like to know more, please fill in a welcome card from the table at the back of Church and hand it to one of the Clergy or Welcomers.

There is an Induction loop for the hard of hearing



A toilet with facilities for the disabled is available next to the Parish Office.



TODAY: 8am Holy Communion Order 2
10am All-Age Parish Eucharist
More details of readings, hymns, music etc
inside this leaflet
6pm Evening Prayer

FOLLOWING THE PARISH EUCHARIST

Fairtrade coffee and tea are served in the Hall. Please join us.
The Welcomers will be delighted to show you the way.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday-Friday	9-00am	Morning Prayer
Monday-Thursday	5-00pm	Evening Prayer (Thursday BCP)
Monday 17th	9-30-11-30am	Acorns St Mary's playgroup
Wednesday 19th	11-00am	Holy Communion BCP
Thursday 20th	7-30am	Eucharist
Sunday 23rd July Trinity 6	8-00am 10-00am 6-00pm	Holy Communion Order 2 Parish Eucharist Evening Prayer

USEFUL INFORMATION

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE. During the 10am Eucharist: Junior Church, 3-5's in the Blue Beetle, 5-7, 8-11, 11+ Discussion Group in Church Hall. N.B. Term time only. Children's corner for under 5's only. Only one parent/carer accompanying, please, as the corner gets very full.

COMMUNICANT MEMBERS of all churches are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you do not usually receive Communion you are most welcome to come to the altar for a blessing—please bring your service book with you.

GIVING. Visitors We do not pass round the collection plate during the service but a plate is available by the first pillar on the left as you enter church before and after the service. If you are a UK taxpayer please consider using the Blue Envelopes for your offering. You can also now give up to £10 at a time via text message. Type the code SMAF01 with the amount you would like to donate in a text message and send it to the number 70070. e.g. SMAF01 £10.

Regular worshippers please consider joining Planned Giving. Contact our Stewardship Treasurer Patricia Bagster for more details.

Reading Isaiah 55.10-13

¹⁰ For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, ¹¹ so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. ¹² For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. ¹³ Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Reading Romans 8.1-11

⁸ There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ²For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. ³For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot,⁸and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹ But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

10-00am Parish Eucharist

Celebrant The Revd Philip Davison
Eucharist setting Sanger: The Common Life
Organist Damon Ying
Director of Music Alison Fisher

Processional Hymn 137

Gospel Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23

Junior Church

¹³That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake.²Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow.⁴And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil.⁶But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹Let anyone with ears listen!'

¹⁸ 'Hear then the parable of the sower. ¹⁹When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. ²⁰As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; ²¹yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. ²²As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. ²³But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

Preacher Claire Disbrey

Hymn 559

Hymn 270

Intercessions Junior Church

Offertory Hymn 494

Hymn 211

Anthem Margaret Poston : *God of Glory*

Post Communion Hymn 31 *

6pm Evening Prayer

Prayer Requests

Douglas Hodson, Ivy Brownhill, Graham & Haryati Poston, Michael Stevens, Marilyn, Margaret Whitlock, Barry and Margaret Cullen, Simmone, Tony Lewis, Leslie, Patrick, Popi, Lyn Niland, Kate Anderson, Joan Airey, Helena Quintal, Sheila Eagle, Saul Venit, Julia Watt, Geoff Moir, Keven Hall, Andrew Butcher, Kim Stone, Les Zamit, Sarah McMillain, Pam Leahy, George Palmer, Anne Peet, Caroline Steckel, Andrew Spencer, Gordon Kirkwood, Roy Aylward, Hazel Cowlshaw, Evelyn Briers, Josie Saddington, Frank Furness, Richard Weston, Mary Weston, Tom O'Donohoe

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

International:

Ontario (Canada): George Bruce (Bishop)
Møre (Norway): Ingeborg Midtoemme (Bishop)

Capital Vision 2020:

today we pray that as Ambassadors who are messengers of the Gospel, the seeds we sow would fall on good soil

Diocesan:

Chelsea Deanery: Canon David Reindorp (Area Dean)
Deanery Synod: Ade Adebajo (Secretary)

* denotes a favourite hymn from the hymn survey