

NOTICES

CHRISTMAS DONATIONS: Many, many thanks for your kind donations over Christmas to our three chosen charities. Iraqi Christians in Need, Barnet Mencap and the Noah's Ark Hospice for Children each received from us the sum of £934.60.

CHILDREN AND COMMUNION: please contact the Rector if your child (Yr 3 or above) is interested in doing the children and communion course.

ENQUIRERS: a group for adults interested in exploring the Christian faith. It can be used as preparation for confirmation but it is good to do it in itself.

PIANO FOR SALE: Ex Small hall upright piano for sale. Can be viewed in the main hall entrance. Please speak to Alison Fisher or the Rector for more information.

MANY THANKS to all who supported the St Mary's Good Gifts Scheme over Christmas. The total raised was a fabulous £1,831.25 which will be passed on to HAB

FLOWER ROTA: The new rota is available in the outer aisle and is always on display in church.

NEW BISHOP OF LONDON: congratulations to the Rt Revd Sarah Mullally, currently Bishop of Crediton, who is to be the next Bishop of London. Our prayers and best wishes are with her.

ST MARY'S NURSERY: places available. High quality learning provision in an outstanding school. Spacious and specialised learning areas within a building separate from the main school. 30-hour and 15-hour funded places available. Extended provision (from 7.30am to 6pm) in addition to the normal school day. See notice on the noticeboard for more details.

DIARY

BUTERE: Today at the 10 am Service we welcome Bishop Tim from Butere. After the service, he will be talking to us about Butere. Lots has been happening there and there are great plans for this year. COME ALONG!

MESSY SCIENCE MONDAY IS FULL. Thank you for your support.

WEDNESDAY 14TH FEB: Ash Wednesday sung Eucharist at 8pm

SUNDAY 18TH FEB at 7.15pm: Russian Choir of London in concert here at St Mary's performing their Winter Concert of Russian music. Suggested donation £5.

"COME ON IN..." FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT - FEB 26 to MAR 11: Come on in....to the hall during coffee time on February 26 and enjoy a free taste of delicious Fairtrade products. Shop at our stall for an unusual gifts for Mothering Sunday or stock up on cards and eggs for Easter. Buy at wholesale prices, thanks to our agent, Heather Henshaw. Any special requests, please tell Lynn Radnedge in advance (020 31015 2302/07977 222708). St. Mary-at-Finchley is a designated Fairtrade Church and we are committed to promoting fairly traded goods to support the world's poorest farmers and families.

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Sunday next before Lent
11th February 2018
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 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

Monday-Thursday	9-00am	Morning Prayer
Monday-Thursday	5-00pm	Evening Prayer (Thursday BCP)

Wednesday 14th	11-00am	Holy Communion BCP
Thursday 15th	8-00pm	Eucharist with Ashing
	7-30am	Eucharist

Sunday 18th Feb 1st Sunday of Lent	8-00am 10-00am 6-00pm	Holy Communion Order 2 Parish Eucharist Evening Prayer
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USEFUL INFORMATION

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE are invited to Junior Church, which runs with fun activities during term-time Sunday 10am Services. Nursery and Reception age children are in the Blue Beetle (and are also welcome to use the Children's Corner in the main Church); Primary (Years 1-6) meet in the Church Hall. For 11+ the Discussion Group is in the Church Hall.

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.

8-00am Holy Communion Order 2 page 229

Celebrant The Revd Philip Davison

10-00am Parish Eucharist

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Eucharist setting Ayres: Finchley Setting
Organist Drew Sellis
Director of Music Alison Fisher

Processional Hymn 33

Reading 2 Kings 2.1-12 Gladys Vendy

Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ²Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel. ³The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?' And he said, 'Yes, I know; keep silent.'

⁴ Elijah said to him, 'Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho.' But he said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they came to Jericho. ⁵The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?' And he answered, 'Yes, I know; be silent.'

⁶ Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. ⁷Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan.

⁸Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

⁹ When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' ¹⁰He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' ¹¹As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. ¹²Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

Psalm 50 vv1-6 Cantor Peter Boustred

Response: The heavens declare his righteousness for God himself is Judge.

Response Philip Moore

v. 6 The heav-ens de-clare his right-eous-ness for God him-self is Judge.

The mighty one, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth. **R**
Our God comes and does not keep silence, before him is a devouring fire, and a mighty tempest all around him. He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his people: **R**
'Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!' The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge. **R**

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Reading 2 Corinthians 4.3-6 Gladys Vendy

³And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. ⁶For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn 70

Gospel Mark 9.2-9

² Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' ⁶He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!'

⁸Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Preacher Claire Disbrey

Creed Service Book page 5

Intercessions Kevin Airey

Offertory Hymn 172

Service Book page 7

Anthem Bevan: *There's a wideness in God's mercy*

Post Communion Hymn 363

6pm Evening Prayer

Prayer Requests

Douglas Hodson, Ivy Brownhill, Graham & Haryati Poston, Michael Stevens, Marilyn, Margaret Whitlock, Tony Lewis, Leslie, Patrick, Popi, Lyn Niland, Kate Anderson, Joan Airey, Helena Quintal, Sheila Eagle, Saul Venit, Julia Watt, Geoff Moir, Keven Hall, Les Zamit, Sarah McMillain, George Palmer, Anne Peet, Roy Aylward, Frank Furness, Richard Weston, Amelia Gardner, George and Gillian Lunn, Farah Kazmi, Hannah, Peter Bell, Celeste Mascarenhas, Simone, Chris Mohan

RIP David Thompson, Jeanne Lane, Eric Mellor

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

International:

Pray for the Anglican Church of Canada (L'Eglise anglicane du Canada): Frederick Hiltz (Primate)

Hamar (Norway): Solveig Fiske (Bishop)

Capital Vision 2020 Ambassadors:

we pray for all working in financial services

Diocesan:

Pray for the work of Pam Nicholls, PA to the Archdeacon for the Two Cities and Area Administrator