

# News from St Mary's

## East Barnet Parish Church

September 2025

Sunday 7 September	10am All Age Messy Eucharist for Education Sunday 6pm Evensong
Sunday 14 September	10am Patronal Festival Eucharist
Sunday 21 September	11am shared service for the Care of Creation at St John's United Reformed Church, EN5 1RH 4pm Contemplative Eucharist
Sunday 28 September	10am Eucharist for Trinity 15

On 14 September 1pm St Mary's is hosting an Inter-Faith Gardening & Green Food Workshop in our community halls. Come along, taste some delicious treats, and learn about how to grow and prepare them yourselves!

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Rehearsals for Young Voices: the junior choir of St Mary's Church will begin at Brookside Methodist Church on Wednesday 10 September at 4pm.

If you're in year 2 or above and want to learn music- make friends- have fun- lead services and much much more then please come along with a parent, or ask a parent to contact Alan for more information!

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The Church Choir  
rehearses before special  
services, on the day.

To join, please  
contact the Director of  
Music.

Enjoy coffee and cake in  
the community halls on  
the first Thursday of the  
month from 10:30 - 12  
noon.

Every Thursday from  
12:30pm there are food  
parcel packing sessions  
in the community halls.

For information, please  
contact the Rector.

The Prayer Group meets  
at 3pm on Fridays.

For more information  
please contact the

Director of Music or  
Debbie Windeler  
(debbw@talktalk.net).

The Sewing Circle meets  
in the community halls  
on the second and  
fourth Thursdays of the  
month from 10am-1pm.

Young Voices rehearses  
on  
Wednesdays at 4pm.

To join, please  
contact the Director of  
Music.

Keep an eye out for  
Messy Church dates,  
coming soon!

St Mary's, Potters Bar, is  
holding an event for  
Play the Organ year at  
3pm on Saturday 27th  
September. Come  
along to learn about and  
play their 2250-pipe or-  
gan.

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Sunday 7 September

At the All Age Messy Eucharist

Luke 14.25-33

Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, 'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.'

At Evensong

Isaiah 43.14 - 44.5

Thus says the Lord,  
your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel:  
For your sake I will send to Babylon  
and break down all the bars,  
and the shouting of the Chaldeans will be turned to  
lamentation.  
I am the Lord, your Holy One,  
the Creator of Israel, your King.  
Thus says the Lord,  
who makes a way in the sea,  
a path in the mighty waters,  
who brings out chariot and horse,  
army and warrior;  
they lie down, they cannot rise,  
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:  
Do not remember the former things,  
or consider the things of old.  
I am about to do a new thing;  
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?  
I will make a way in the wilderness  
and rivers in the desert.  
The wild animals will honour me,  
the jackals and the ostriches;  
for I give water in the wilderness,  
rivers in the desert,  
to give drink to my chosen people,  
the people whom I formed for myself  
so that they might declare my praise.  
Yet you did not call upon me, O Jacob;  
but you have been weary of me, O Israel!  
You have not brought me your sheep for burnt-  
offerings,  
or honoured me with your sacrifices.  
I have not burdened you with offerings,  
or wearied you with frankincense.  
You have not bought me sweet cane with money,  
or satisfied me with the fat of your sacrifices.  
But you have burdened me with your sins;

you have wearied me with your iniquities.

I, I am He  
who blots out your transgressions for my own sake,  
and I will not remember your sins.  
Accuse me, let us go to trial;  
set forth your case, so that you may be proved right.  
Your first ancestor sinned,  
and your interpreters transgressed against me.  
Therefore I profaned the princes of the sanctuary,  
I delivered Jacob to utter destruction,  
and Israel to reviling.

But now hear, O Jacob my servant,  
Israel whom I have chosen!  
Thus says the Lord who made you,  
who formed you in the womb and will help you:  
Do not fear, O Jacob my servant,  
Jeshurun whom I have chosen.  
For I will pour water on the thirsty land,  
and streams on the dry ground;  
I will pour my spirit upon your descendants,  
and my blessing on your offspring.  
They shall spring up like a green tamarisk,  
like willows by flowing streams.  
This one will say, 'I am the Lord's',  
another will be called by the name of Jacob,  
yet another will write on the hand, 'The Lord's',  
and adopt the name of Israel.

John 5.30-47

Jesus said 'I can do nothing on my own. As I hear, I judge; and my judgement is just, because I seek to do not my own will but the will of him who sent me.

'If I testify about myself, my testimony is not true. There is another who testifies on my behalf, and I know that his testimony to me is true. You sent messengers to John, and he testified to the truth. Not that I accept such human testimony, but I say these things so that you may be saved. He was a burning and shining lamp, and you were willing to rejoice for a while in his light. But I have a testimony greater than John's. The works that the Father has given me to complete, the very works that I am doing, testify on my behalf that the Father has sent me. And the Father who sent me has himself testified on my behalf. You have never heard his voice or seen his form, and you do not have his word abiding in you, because you do not believe him whom he has sent.

'You search the scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that testify on my behalf. Yet you refuse to come to me to have life. I do not accept glory from human beings. But I know that you do not have the love of God in you. I have come in my Father's name, and you do not accept me; if another comes in his own name, you will accept him. How can you believe when you accept glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the one who alone is God? Do not think that I will accuse you before the Father; your accuser is Moses, on whom you have set your hope. If you believed Moses, you would believe me, for he wrote about me. But if you do not believe what he wrote, how will you believe what I say?'

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