

News from St Mary's

East Barnet Parish Church

November 2025

Sunday 2 November	10am All Age Messy Eucharist for All Saints Day 6pm Evensong for All Saints Day
Sunday 9 November	10:45am Interfaith Act of Remembrance <i>at East Barnet War Memorial</i> 4pm Eucharist on Remembrance Sunday (BCP)
Sunday 16 November	10am Eucharist for Safeguarding Sunday <i>with prayers for healing and peace</i> 4pm Contemplative Eucharist
Sunday 23 November	10am Festal Eucharist for Christ the King
Sunday 30 November	10am Eucharist for Advent I 6pm Advent Carol Service

On Saturday 8 November at 3pm we have a Messy Church at St Mary's. Messy Church is specially designed for children and families, but all ages are welcome. Come along for crafts, snacks, games, stories and fun, as we explore the story of David and Goliath together.

On Friday 28 November from 4-7pm St Mary's is hosting our Christmas Fayre at St Mary's. Entry is free, so come along to find gifts and bargains, activities and refreshments. There's the chance to meet Father Christmas too!

On 11 November at 10:55 there will be an Act of Remembrance for Armistice Day at East Barnet War Memorial.	Enjoy coffee and cake in the community halls on the first Thursday of the month from 10:30 - 12 noon.	On Friday 5 December from 5-7pm St Mary's is hosting our Children's Christmas Party. Look out for the chance to buy tickets soon!	Young Voices rehearses on Wednesdays at 4pm. To join, please contact the Director of Music.
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The Prayer Group meets at 3pm on Fridays.

For more information please contact the Director of Music or Debbie Windeler (debbw@talktalk.net).

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

For information, please contact the Rector.

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

Brookside Methodist Church has a Eucharist every Thursday at 11am. Come for worship and stay for coffee afterwards!

2 November

All Age Messy Eucharist:

Luke 6.20–31

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

‘Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

‘Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

‘Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

‘Blessed are you when people hate you, and
when they exclude you, revile you, and
defame you on account of the Son of
Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for
surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is
what their ancestors did to the prophets.

‘But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

‘Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

‘Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

‘Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is
what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

‘But I say to you that listen, Love your
enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless
those who curse you, pray for those who abuse
you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the
other also; and from anyone who takes away
your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to
everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes
away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do
to others as you would have them do to you.

Evensong:

Isaiah 65.17–end

For I am about to create new heavens
and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered
or come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice for ever
in what I am creating;

for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy,
and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem,
and delight in my people;
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in
it,

or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it
an infant that lives but a few days,
or an old person who does not live out a life-
time;

for one who dies at a hundred years will be con-
sidered a youth,

and one who falls short of a hundred will be
considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit;
they shall not plant and another eat;
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my
people be,

and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of
their hands.

They shall not labour in vain,
or bear children for calamity;
for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—
and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer,
while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,
the lion shall eat straw like the ox;
but the serpent—its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain,

says the Lord.

Hebrews 11.32 – 12.2

What more should I say? For time would fail me
to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of
David and Samuel and the prophets— who
through faith conquered kingdoms, administered
justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of
lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of
the sword, won strength out of weakness, be-
came mighty in war, put foreign armies to
flight. Women received their dead by resurrec-
tion. Others were tortured, refusing to accept re-
lease, in order to obtain a better resurrec-
tion. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and
even chains and imprisonment. They were
stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they
were killed by the sword; they went about in
skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted,
tormented— of whom the world was not worthy.
They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in
caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for
their faith, did not receive what was prom-
ised, since God had provided something better so
that they would not, without us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a
cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every
weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let
us run with perseverance the race that is set be-
fore us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfect-
er of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that
was set before him endured the cross, disregard-
ing its shame, and has taken his seat at the right
hand of the throne of God.

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