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25 September 2026



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CHURCH SERVICES – DO JOIN US!

Please join us this coming **Sunday 27th** at St Mary's. **Eucharists** will be celebrated at **8am** and at **9.30am**. The gospel reading will be Matthew Chapter 21 verses 23-32.

After the Parish Eucharist we will be burying the ashes of Rafael Carmona in the Garden of Remembrance.

There will be a **community open day** taking place in **Oak Lane Cemetery between 2 and 4 pm** on this **Sunday 27th September**. This open afternoon will be an opportunity for you to come and breathe in the beauty that the cemetery has to offer, maybe take part in a historical guided tour of the site, take part in a scavenger hunt and more. The weather is forecast to be lovely so do come along.

This week:

Monday

1pm The Funeral of Wendy Pimenta will take place in church.

7.30pm A meeting of the PCC will take place in the Vestry (please use the vestry door and not the main church door to access)

Wednesday

10am The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated in church.

Sunday 4th October. St. Francis of Assisi's Day, when we will have a special Creation-tide presentation by members of the Ecology Group at the **9.30am Parish Eucharist**.

11.30am The Borough of Richmond upon Thames Civic Service will take place in church to celebrate the Mayoral Year.

HARVEST

Again, my thanks to all who decorated the church as a fitting place to experience and to celebrate the Lord of the Harvest last weekend, and to all who gave so generously to the Food Bank collection. All of which is greatly appreciated. Jeff

FOOD BANK THANKS FOR HARVEST THANKSGIVING

Many, many thanks for the incredible amount of food given at the harvest thanksgiving service. It will be well used and appreciated by many who are struggling. Thank you. Jenny Kelly

WALLWALKERS NEXT WEEK. MONDAY 21ST FOR 2 WEEKS

Please note that contractors will be working on the exterior of the church next week. They will be abseiling on ropes in order to inspect and repair. Please don't worry if you see them. They are not burglars!

THIRD SUNDAYS – CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE AT ST MARY'S

As one of our priorities is to nourish our children and young people with a positive sense of God's love for them and His purpose for their lives, we are asking for feedback on our current Third Sunday arrangements so that we can ensure that moving forward we are a church with children, young people and families embedded in all we do, and where all, at whatever stage in life, can flourish.

In order to do this you can fill out the online survey, either by clicking the link below if you are accessing this via the digital newsletter, or by copying the link into your web browser if you don't receive the newsletter digitally. Alternatively, you can ask to speak to Donna who will have paper copies of the 8 questions and will be happy to do the survey with you during coffee time over the next month. It should take no more than 10 minutes, and we are asking for people to complete it by the end of September.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/72S9V6J> Thank you so much for your help, and please continue to keep our children and young people in your prayers

NOTES ON A GREEN THEME AND OAK LANE CEMETERY OPEN DAY SUN 27 SEPT 2-4PM

In the spirit of re using and playing it forward would anyone be interested in a magazine share scheme?

Popular magazines seem to be Country Living and The Simple Things to name but two. Would anyone be interested in these being passed on? Do let me know either by email or having a chat after church.

The subject of recipe shares has also been muted. Would you like to see a regular recipe being printed in the newsletter?

A note for your diary....this Sunday, the 27th, there will be a community open day taking place in Oak Lane Cemetery between 2 and 4 pm. This open afternoon will be an opportunity for you to come and breathe in the beauty that the cemetery has to offer, maybe take part in a historical guided tour of the site, take part in a scavenger hunt and more. The weather is forecast to be lovely so do come along.
lizskiv@hotmail.com



OAK LANE CEMETERY
Community Open Day

Come and discover the stories, wildlife and green spaces of Oak Lane Cemetery.



**SUNDAY 27TH
SEPTEMBER
2-4PM**

HISTORY WALKS
Explore the cemetery's stories, people and places on a guided walk.

SCAVENGER HUNT FOR CHILDREN
Look closely at nature and heritage around the cemetery – with prizes for the first 40 children to complete the hunt!

ALL AGES ART COMPETITION
Bring your creativity and make art inspired by the cemetery, its history, trees and wildlife.



In partnership with St Mary's Church

FUN FOR ALL AGES!
• Explore • Create • Discover

ROSIE BENNET GUITAR RECITAL – SATURDAY 26 SEPTEMBER – 7 PM

Recently signed to the Sony label, Rosie has already performed in The Albert Hall, The Wigmore Hall and many festivals across the globe. Expect great virtuosity and interesting transcriptions, mixing new music with old favourites.



Book early to reserve your spot. Tickets £20.00 on the door or @ twickenhamguitarsociety.com Under 18s free. (access from 6:30 for a 7:00 start)

Part of the Guitar@St Mary's series. For information or to be added to the mailing list contact: Alex Brett 07982 160999 or twickenhamguitarsociety@gmail.com

KNITTING GROUP – FRIENDS OF FAITH RECEIVE THE DANGOOR AWARD



I would like to thank everyone in the knitting group, everyone that donated wool, all our helpers and supporters whom have helped us achieve this award.

I went to The Royal Society of Medicine "The Dangoor Awards" by The Faith & Belief Forum Guy Whittle Auditorium on Tuesday evening. We received the award for a 'Recognised Project'

It was a lovely evening, and the room was filled with people believing and helping London and the world.

Once again thank you to everyone for all your help.

Kind regards

Lynda

We meet in St Mary's Church Hall (The Windsor Room) Church Street, Twickenham. TW1 3NJ from 10.30-12.30 on the third Saturday of each month in St Mary's Church Hall Windsor Room - so the next meeting is on 19 September. For more information ring Lynda 07545 054 481, info@hounslowfriendsofffaith.org, www.hounslowfriendsofffaith.org.

IT SHORT TERM VOLUNTEER FOR ECO GROUP

The Eco Church Group are working towards assessment for the A Rocha Gold Award. They are seeking help from someone with IT skills to get all the paper evidence items into a digital format. If this is something you could help with and have the time and scanning equipment necessary, please contact Anne Hutchins, email annehutchins@live.co.uk to

discuss. The group's next meeting is Monday 2nd November at 6pm when we will be collating the paper items we've collected, so if the volunteer could attend that evening with us, it would be very helpful.

TEA @ 2.30

Would you like to meet for a cup of tea or coffee and have a chat with some old friends and meet some new ones? Do join us in the Vestry, once a fortnight, on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month between 2.30 and 4 pm so the next meetings are on 7 and 21 October. Please speak to Julie Hall for more information.

MAIASTRA PIANO QUARTETS – SAT 3 OCTOBER 7.30PM

The outstanding musicians of Maiastra return to St Mary's
Programme

Frank Bridge - Phantasy for Piano Quartet, H.94

Josef Suk - Piano Quartet in A minor, Op. 1

Schumann - Piano Quartet in E-flat major, Op. 47

SOMETHING OF THE NIGHT- ST MARY'S OWN SINGERS – 18 OCTOBER 6PM



St Mary's Very Own Singers
perform

SOMETHING OF THE NIGHT

Songs, Arias, Choruses & More

Anna Lush & Clarinda Chan - Soprano
Rachel Logan - Mezzo
James Aitken - Tenor
Chris Britton - Tenor & Piano
Chris Williams - Bass
Adrian Mumford - Organ
Henrietta Wayne - Violin

Sunday 18th October at 6pm

St Mary's Church Twickenham TW1 3NJ

Free Entry
Retiring Collection to Support Church Funds
Refreshments available
www.stmarytwick.org.uk

In their annual appearance in the 'Sunday @ Six' series, St Mary's Very Own Singers (and a few friends) perform

Songs, Arias, Choruses & More

on themes related - more or less - to aspects of the hours of darkness.

This year, featuring:

Anna Lush & Clarinda Chan - Soprano

SAVE THE DATE – OAK LANE QUIZ - 13 NOVEMBER

Hold the date: Friday 13th November at 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start – the Annual Oak Lane Cemetery Quiz

This is the only opportunity each year to raise the funds required to maintain the grass and vegetation in the cemetery, ensuring it looks well cared for all year round. Tickets will be on sale soon so you might like to think about making up a team of max 6 people. Alternatively, you can come on your own and get joined in with others to make up a team of 6. And if you hate quizzes but love OLC, you might like to make a donation!

ST MARY'S GROUPS FOR FAMILIES AND YOUNG PEOPLE

St Mary's Families brings together parents and children at St Mary's. Email bulletins include information on events and ways to get involved at church, and there's also a friendly WhatsApp group. To be part of St Mary's Families please email stmarysfamilies@gmail.com. You can find further details of the groups on our website: <https://www.stmarytwick.org.uk/children>

Sunday School - (groups for ages 3+) runs every Sunday at 9.30 am in term time except the 3rd Sundays of the month when we all worship together in the Church. Please contact Julie Hall for more information.

Little Fish - for newborns to 2 year olds and their carers runs during the 9.30 am service every Sunday in term-time, except the 3rd Sundays of the month when we all join the full service in the Church. Please contact Sarah Waller on minnows@stmarytwick.org.uk with any questions.

Minnows – A relaxed time for parents and carers of children aged 0-4 chatting over refreshments, with playtime and singing starts again on **21 September**. Drop-in Mondays in term-time 9.30-11.15 am. All are welcome! Contact Sarah Waller on minnows@stmarytwick.org.uk with any questions.

SAFEGUARDING CONTACTS, WHO TO SPEAK TO

If you have any concerns or queries relating to safeguarding, please don't hesitate to talk to us or to Jeff or the Churchwardens:

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Liz Sledge (liz.sledge18@gmail.com) 07903 183930

Children's Champions: Judy Britton (judy1britton@gmail.com), Julie Hall

(julie_clive@yahoo.co.uk)

Adults Champion: Sue Pawsey(suepawsey@hotmail.co.uk)

NB Local Authority Social Services - Children: 020 8547 5008 Adults: 020 8891 7971

BEST WAY TO GIVE REGULARLY TO ST MARY'S – PARISH GIVING SCHEME

The Parish Giving Scheme is the simplest way of giving your own regular donation to St Mary's. To set something up, or if you have any queries, please go to

<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk> or call them on [0333 002 1260](tel:03330021260) or email on info@parishgiving.org.uk

You will need our details, including our reference number, which are all set out below

Parish: Twickenham St Mary. Diocese: London Diocese. Parish Ref: 230623218.

A QUICK WAY TO GIVE TO ST MARY'S

You can also give to St Mary's online at [Give to St Mary's Twickenham](#). Or if you use this QR Code with the camera of your smartphone, it will take you to the St Mary's donation page. It is another way of giving money to St Mary's for the Offertory Collection or indeed making a one-off donation at any time. The main purpose is to give our visitors and parishioners another way to donate should they wish to do so.



To submit a Notice, please send your text and any related image by email to notices@stmarytwick.org.uk by close of business on Wednesday for inclusion, if approved, in the Friday notice sheet. You can read more about St Mary's, our news and events on:

- Our own website: www.stmarytwick.org.uk
- Our page on the CofE's national website: www.achurchnearyou.com/church/15505/
- Our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/StMarysTwickenham/



Among those recently commended to St Mary's for prayer, we pray for:

Irene Earle	Simon	Wendy Benn
John	Tim	Eleanor Sowden
Per Axelson	Sue	Barbara Carmona
Greg	Holly	Sabine
Cora and John	Lucy Harman Brown	Michelle
Theo	Jessie Gore	Jane
Rob Stopler	Saroj	

...and for those who continue to need our prayers:

Dell Gillespie Gilbert	Nicholas	Barbara Witzendorf
Antonio	Christine Glyn-Jones	Jean Love
Betty Grafstein	Catherine Mann	Claire Bryson

... together with those for whom candles have been lit and those whose names are on the prayer cross.

Among those who have died recently, we pray for the souls of:

Rev'd Sally	Wendy Pimenta	Sarah Moore
Richard Bradwell	Noah Woods	Norman Green
Prue Smeeton		

To add, remove or reinsert a name in these Intercessions, please contact Fr Jeff: email hopkinwilliams@btinternet.com