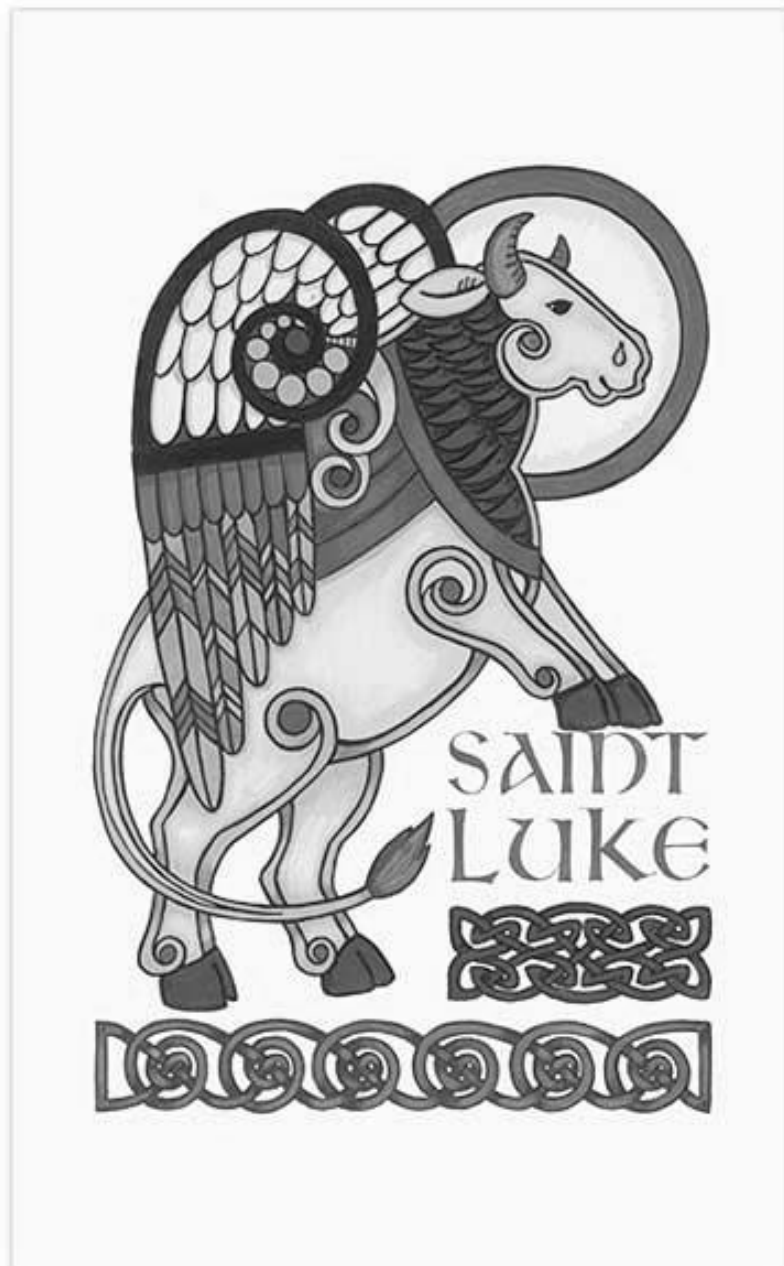
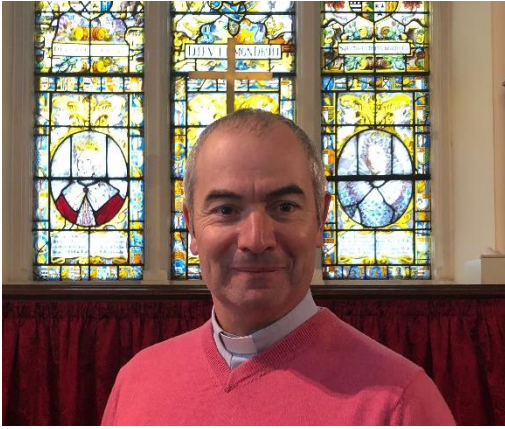




**Parish Eucharist
for the Feast of St
Luke the Evangelist
Sunday 18th October 2020**



In Christian iconography St Luke is often depicted as a winged ox bull, a reference to passages in Ezekiel & Revelation, pointing to sacrifice, strength and service.



Welcome to St Mary's. We are delighted to have an online congregation joining us on a Sunday morning at both our services and we are live-streaming today's service for those unable to join us, or who feel it not yet wise for them to meet others. Welcome to both our physical and digital congregations!

We are trying to put in place procedures to keep us as safe as possible in this time of pandemic. It's not a perfect science, so if you have any questions, comments or concerns, please put them in the comments box on the back shelf near the north door. We promise to keep all that we do under review in the light of the advice we are given.

COVID-19 UPDATE:

THE LEVEL OF COVID-19 IN THE COMMUNITY IS NOW HIGH AND LONDON IS IN TIER 2. THIS MEANS THAT, REGRETTABLY, FURTHER RESTRICTIONS ARE NECESSARY DURING PUBLIC WORSHIP:

→ WE MUST CEASE CONGREGATIONAL SINGING .

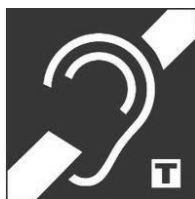
→ THE CHOIR WILL SING THE HYMNS ALONE.

→ SEPARATE HOUSEHOLDS OR SUPPORT BUBBLES SHOULD NOT MIX.

→ WE ASK YOU TO SANTISE YOUR HANDS AS YOU LEAVE AS WELL AS ON ARRIVAL.

→ PLEASE WAIT UNTIL A WELCOMER INVITES YOU TO LEAVE THE BUILDING, WHICH WILL BE DONE IN ROWS.

PLEASE BEAR WITH US IN A CHALLENGING TIME.



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If you wish to make a gift to St Mary's in the collection, UK taxpayers are asked to put the gift in the Gift Aid envelopes, **completing all the details on the front**. We cannot claim the tax back if you don't.

We encourage everyone to regular stewardship by setting up a standing order.

Our Bank Details are:

Battersea Parish Church PCC, Sort Code 502101, Account Number: 82127468

Receiving Holy Communion

If you normally receive Communion in any other Christian denomination you are welcome to receive Holy Communion here this morning. Owing to the pandemic, communion is currently being received in one kind only (e.g. the bread), standing from the chancel step.

If you require a gluten free wafer for Holy Communion, please let one of the Welcomers know when you arrive.

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Presiding Priest: Canon Simon Butler

Preacher: The Revd Aaron Kennedy

Director of Music: We welcome Will Mason, covering for Katy Silverman today

A quiet voluntary is played as we gather for worship.

We prepare ourselves.

The clergy enter and take their seats.

A member of the church welcomes us.

Hymn

1. Ye holy angels bright,
who wait at God's right hand,
or through the realms of light
fly at your Lord's command,
assist our song,
for else the theme
too high doth seem
for mortal tongue.

2. Ye blessed souls at rest,
who ran this earthly race,
and now from care released,
behold the Saviour's face,
his praises sound,
as in his sight
with sweet delight
ye do abound.

3. Ye saints, who toil below,
adore your heavenly King,
and onward as ye go
some joyful anthem sing;
take what he gives
and praise him still,
through good and ill,
who ever lives.

4. My soul, bear thou thy part,
triumph in God above,
and with a well-tuned heart
sing thou the songs of love;
let all thy days
till life shall end,
whate'er he send,
be filled with praise.

Richard Baxter (1615-1691)

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Welcome in the name of Christ.
God's grace, mercy and peace be with you
and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Confession

We run the race set before us, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.
Therefore let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which clings so closely,
bringing them to Jesus in penitence and faith.

Silence is kept as we confess our sins

You were sent to preach the good news of light in the darkness of the world:
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You were sent to plant in our hearts the seed of eternal life:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You were sent to reconcile us to yourself by the shedding of your blood:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May God our Father forgive you your sins
and bring you to the eternal joy of his kingdom,
where dust and ashes have no dominion. **Amen.**

Gloria (*Mass of St Cedd*)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

**Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer, receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Amen.**

Collect

Almighty God,
you called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel,
to be an evangelist and physician of the soul:
by the grace of the Spirit
and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel,
give your Church the same love and power to heal;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



Our Children Now Leave for Godly Play

The Word of God in Scripture

First Reading: 2 Timothy 4:5-17

Read by Hallam Murray

A reading from the second letter to Timothy

As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully. As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. Do your best to come to me soon, for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds. You also must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message. At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

1. St Luke, beloved physician,
With honour now recall,
Who served his Master's mission,
Who ministered to Paul;
Whose skill in distant ages
Bequeathed a gift unpriced,
A gospel in whose pages
We see the face of Christ.

2. He tells for us the stories
Of Jesus here on earth,
The unsung pain and glories
That marked the church's birth;
The Spirit's power in preaching,
The contrite sinner freed,
The grace and mercy reaching
Our deepest human need.

3. For all who work in healing
We lift our hearts in prayer,
The love of God revealing
In science, skill and care:
His gifts be still imparted
To those who make us whole,
Like Luke the tender-hearted,
Physician of the soul.

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We are now standing again to hear the Gospel proclaimed.

Gospel Reading: Luke 10:1-9

Read by Sarah Macnab

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you."' "

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

The Revd Aaron Kennedy

Anthem

O quam gloriosum *Tomás Luis de Victoria*

O quam gloriosum est regnum, in quo cum Christo gaudent omnes Sancti! Amicti stolis albis, sequuntur Agnum, quocumque ierit.

O how glorious is the kingdom in which all the saints rejoice with Christ, clad in robes of white they follow the Lamb wherever he goes.

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Intercessions

Matthew Guest leads us in prayers of intercession. At the end, we say:

Merciful Father,

Accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We Celebrate the Eucharist

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God,
through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace
to those who were far off and those who were near.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

We safely greet one another saying 'Peace be with you.'

Offertory Hymn

During this time, please bring forward your gift towards the work and mission of our Church, placing it in the offertory bowl provided.

Please come forward down the central aisle and return to your places via the side aisles. If you are seated in the side aisles please come to the front round the back of the church.

This is also the way in which we shall come forward to receive Communion.

Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days!
A world without saints forgets how to praise.
Their faith in acquiring the habit of prayer,
Their depth of adoring, Lord, help us to share.

Some march with events to turn them God's way;
Some need to withdraw, the better to pray;
Some carry the gospel through fire and through flood:
Our world is their parish: their purpose is God.

Rejoice in those saints, unpraised and unknown,
Who bear someone's cross, or shoulder their own:
They shame our complaining, our comforts, our cares:
What patience in caring, what courage, is theirs!

Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days!
A world without saints forgets how to praise.
In loving, in living, they prove it is true:
Their way of self-giving, Lord, leads us to you.

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Eucharistic Prayer (Prayer B)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. We rejoice in the glorious splendour of your majesty for you have given us a share with Luke in the inheritance of the saints in light.

In the darkness of this passing age they proclaim the glory of your kingdom. Chosen as lights in the world, they surround our steps as we journey on towards the city of eternal light where they sing the everlasting song of triumph. In communion with angels and archangels and all who have served you on earth and worship you now in heaven, we raise our voices to proclaim your glory, for ever praising you and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting

us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Luke and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*We pray silently for a moment,
uniting our prayers with those who are worshipping from home.*

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The presiding priest breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Giving of Communion

The presiding priest shows the consecrated bread and wine to the people:

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

***Please come forward to receive Holy Communion row by row.
Please return to your seats via the side aisles to enable social distancing.***

***If you would like to receive prayer for healing and wholeness during the
administration of Communion, please make your way to the side altar where
Simon will be available to pray for you in confidence.***

Communion Hymn

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands
that holy things have taken;
let ears that now have heard thy songs
to clamour never waken.

Lord, may the tongues which 'Holy' sang
keep free from all deceiving;
the eyes which saw thy love be bright,
thy blessed hope perceiving.

The feet that tread thy holy courts
from light do thou not banish;
the bodies by thy Body fed
with thy new life replenish.

Prayer after Communion

**Almighty God,
who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles
with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame,
filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel:
by the power of the same Spirit
strengthen us to witness to your truth
and to draw everyone to the fire of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

We are Sent Forth in Mission

Banns of Marriage are read and any news and notices shared.

Blessing & Dismissal

God give you grace to follow his saints in faith and hope and love;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn

1. Angel voices ever singing
round thy throne of light,
angel-harps for ever ringing,
rest not day nor night;
thousands only live to bless thee
and confess thee
Lord of might.

2. Thou who art beyond the farthest
mortal eye can see,
can it be that thou regardest
our poor hymnody?
Yes, we know that thou art near us,
and wilt hear us?
constantly.

3. Yea, we know that thou rejoicest
o'er each work of thine;
thou didst ears and hands and voices
for thy praise design;
craftsman's art and music's measure
for thy pleasure
all combine.

4. In thy house, great God, we offer
of thine own to thee;
and for thine acceptance proffer
all unworthily
hearts and minds and hands and voices
in our choicest
psalmody.

5. Honour, glory, might, and merit
thine shall ever be,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
blessed Trinity.
Of the best that thou hast given
earth and heaven
render thee.

Francis Pott (1832-1909)

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Voluntary

Prelude in C minor BWV 546 by Johann Sebastian Bach

After Church

Please remain seated during the voluntary if you can, to enable the ministers to leave along with those who might prefer to do so without getting too close to others, and while preparations are made at the back for your departure.

Regenerate, the Charity which works with disadvantaged young people, have returned to St Mary's Churchyard with their new orange coffee cart, serving hot drinks and light refreshments. Even if we cannot serve refreshments ourselves that the moment, you can buy a coffee outside after the service. *Please observe social distancing.*

Worship & Prayer

All Services are broadcast live on our Facebook Page and available to view throughout the day at a convenient time for you (facebook.com/stmarysbattersea).

- Monday 19th October Morning Prayer at 8.30am
 Staff Meeting at 9.15am
 Bell Ringers at 7.30pm
- Tuesday 20th October Holy Communion at 8.30am
 Funding and Finance Working Group meets at 7.00pm
- Wednesday 21st October Lectio Divina at 8.30am*
 Choir Practice at 7.30pm
- Thursday 22nd October Midday Prayer at Noon
 Battersea Deanery Synod meets at 7.30pm
 Action Learning Community Training 7.30pm to 9pm

**You can take part in the new Wednesday Morning Lectio Divina on Zoom*

Meeting ID: 815 2706 3986; Password: 259290

Lectio Divina is a traditional way of prayerfully listening to the words of Scripture

A small group continue to say Morning Prayer together on Zoom at 7.30am and welcome others to join them. Contact: jenny.scott.thompson@gmail.com

Next Sunday – The Last Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion (Traditional Language)

11.00am Parish Eucharist with Godly Play for Children

Readings: Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Matthew 22:34-end

Preacher at both Services: Mrs Grace Cowley Kennedy

6.00pm Choral Evensong sung by St Mary's Choir

Readings: Psalm 119:89-104; Ecclesiastes 11 & 12; 2 Timothy 2:1-7

Preacher: Reverend Aaron Kennedy

For Your Prayers

The sick and those in need: Monica Blethyn, Jean Henshall, Frances Henderson, Claudia Hamson, Dan Bussey, Martha Kennerley, Jodie & James, P.K, Ian Watson, Anne Harcombe, Catherine & her family, Jesse Fitch

The recently departed and their families: Phil Doyle, Robert Goodman, Sheila Smith, Dorothy Jones, Les Butler, Stephen Gaskin, Michelle Macfarlane and David Pinnell, Mary Anderson, Shirish Patel.

This Week's Notices

St Mary's Mission Action Plan: If you weren't here last week, please do take away the coloured flyer about the Mission Action Plan from the back of church, which details our exciting five year plan for our mission and ministry. If you would like to read the entire plan, it is available on the website.

Study Groups: We currently have two groups meeting regularly for study, fellowship and mutual support. One meets weekly on a Thursday afternoon in church (led by Leslie Spatt – les@lesliespatt.co.uk) and one meets fortnightly on a Tuesday evening, and which will soon begin gathering in church (contact: Sarah Walker sarahcooke1958@gmail.com). Both groups welcome new members.

The Power of the One-to-One Relationship - Action Learning Community:

The *remaining* dates for the sessions are as follows: 22nd October, 29th October, 5th, 19th, 26th November. The sessions will be held at St Mary's Church, from 7.30-9.00pm, and can be accessed live by the following Zoom link.

<https://bit.ly/2Gjoweu> Password: 823902. More details from Revd. Aaron Kennedy.

New PCC Secretary: we are looking for someone to serve in this administrative role, which comes with PCC membership. Speak to Simon to find out more.

Choral Scholars 2020-21: As of this week, we have a full team of Choral Scholars to supplement the core voluntary choir. We welcome back Martha Campbell (soprano) for a second year, and our three new scholars: Marissa White (alto), Glyn Webster (tenor) and Theo Bently Curtin (bass). We hope you have a happy year with us!

Glass Door Winter Night Shelter Update: We've been informed that Glass Door will not be hosting their Night Shelter at Chelsea Methodist Church at weekends over the winter. Following consultation, Simon and Felicity Prazak have decided that the suggested alternate venue (Pont Street Church of Scotland) is too inaccessible from Battersea to be a viable venue for our volunteers and we have informed Glass Door of this regrettable but necessary view. This means that, as things stand, we aren't going to be hosting an evening during the winter season this year. However, we have indicated that we are sure our volunteers would be willing to volunteer for more local venues, such as those in Wandsworth, and we await news from Glass Door about what, if anything, they would like us to do. You can still volunteer at <https://bit.ly/3cHsoC5>. We will keep you posted.

This Week's Notices

Welcome to New Arrivals: Simon and Aaron are warmly inviting anyone who has started attending St Mary's – in person or online – to join them on Zoom for a get-together on the evening of Monday 26th October at 7.30pm. This will be an informal time, with the focus on meeting one another and finding out a little more about the life and work of St Mary's. Please take on the invitation flyers at the back of the church with the Zoom link on it.

Diversity and Inclusion at St Mary's: The PCC has set up a small working group for diversity and inclusion. We'd like to make some improvements to welcome more people, considering such aspects as disability, age, gender, ethnicity, economic and family status. If you'd like to make suggestions or have ideas or input, please email jenny.scott.thompson@gmail.com, or speak to Jenny, Libby Bradshaw, Charlotte Kirwan or Lizzie Wilson-Gray at church.

Family@Church on Sunday 1 November: The first of these new services was a great success in October. The next one, which will have a Remembrance focus, will be on **1 November at 9.30am**. If you haven't heard about Family@Church, it is our new short, parent and child focused service at on the First Sunday of the Month. This service is aimed at those who might feel the pressure of time on getting to an 11am service, e.g. their children have sport commitments, or those who want a more informal service with space for children to feel free to roam!

Remembrance Sunday 8th November: The Borough Remembrance Service, attend by the Mayor, is usually the largest congregation of the year and, with social distancing requirements in place, numbers will be strictly limited and will need to allow for a significant number of people who come for special reasons that day as well as key community leaders. The service will therefore be ticketed and tickets will be available from Monday 19th October at <http://bit.ly/smbpoppy>.

Given these restrictions, in order to provide an alternative to the 10.45am Remembrance Service, there will on this occasion be a **9.00am Parish Eucharist which will replace our usual 8.30am service**. It will last under an hour, giving us time to clean the church in preparation for the arrival of the Remembrance Congregation.

Organ Refurbishment & Recital Service: The refurbishment of our organ is complete and we would have liked to have given Katy our Director of Music the opportunity to give a recital concert to mark this moment, and to give her a chance to perform for us in her new appointment. Sadly current restrictions do not permit concerts; however, Simon and Katy have noticed that it is possible to have music performed as part of an act of worship(!) and so, in place of Choral Evensong on Sunday 22nd November, Simon and Katy are planning a music-led service of organ pieces and readings at 6.00pm, which will give us a chance to hear the instrument and our Director of Music in longer pieces of music. Put the date in your diary.