



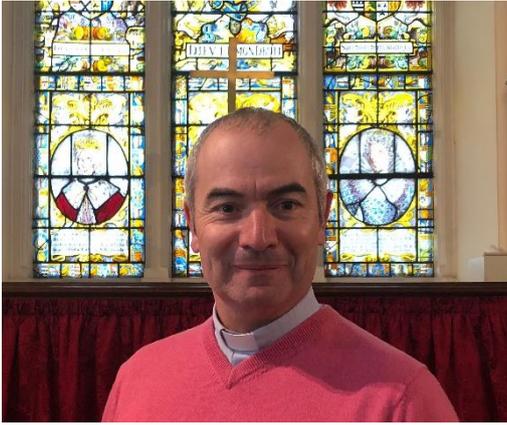
*Water into wine at the wedding in Cana:
Jesus attends a work meeting*

Parish Eucharist
The Second Sunday of Epiphany
Sunday 16th January 2022

Presiding Priest: Revd Aaron Kennedy
Preacher: Revd Joe Moore



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Welcome to St Mary's, especially if you are here for the first time. We welcome visitors, first-time and online worshippers, as well as those who worship regularly on site in our building. It's great that you can join with us in worship this morning. We offer a special welcome to the family and friends of James as he is brought to baptism.

Canon Simon Butler, Vicar

Covid Information

We are all concerned about Omicron. Please consider how you interact with others at this service, especially acknowledging that airborne transmission of this highly infectious virus is far more likely than contact transmission. Our approach below reflects this scientific perspective.

Face coverings are now required by law inside the church, unless exempt. We encourage you to leave them on to sing.

For those who prefer to sit apart the gallery is open, and there is a downstairs area in the church taped off to permit you to sit socially distanced from others.

The Peace will be shared this evening. Please be understanding and not insistent or offended if your offer of a handshake is not met by a similar response. A smile or a word of Peace is key.

Holy Communion will be administered at both altars. At the **main altar**, this will be done kneeling with the bread and wine administered separately and the communicant taking the chalice in their hands. We will continue with the practice we have adopted during the pandemic **at the side altar**: communion will be administered by intinction standing. Please go to the altar which you feel most content with: there's no need to follow the crowd!

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Online via this link or the QR code below: <https://bit.ly/SMBRegular2021>



Via the Contactless Giving Machine available at the back of the church.

Via the Yellow Gift Aid Envelope in the order of service or available at the back of the church. Please complete all the details on the front of the envelope.

Via the Cash Collection during the service.

You can also set up a **Standing Order**. Our bank details are: Battersea Parish Church PCC, Sort Code 502101, Account Number: 82127468

The Gathering

A voluntary is played as we gather for worship.

A member of St Mary's welcomes us to church. We prepare ourselves.

Hymn

1. Jesus, come! for we invite you,
Guest and Master, Friend and Lord;
now, as once at Cana's wedding,
speak, and let us hear your word:
lead us through our need or doubting,
hope be born and joy restored.

2. Jesus, come! transform our pleasures,
guide us into paths unknown;
bring your gifts, command your
let us trust in you alone: [servants
though your hand may work in secret,
all shall see what you have done.

3. Jesus, come in new creation,
heaven brought near in power divine;
give your unexpected glory
changing water into wine:
rouse the faith of your disciples—
come, our first and greatest sign!

4. Jesus, come! surprise our dullness,
make us willing to receive
more than we can yet imagine,
all the best you have to give:
let us find your hidden riches,
taste your love, believe, and live!

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The Greeting

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

The Lord of glory be with you.

The Lord bless you.

Aaron welcomes us and sets the scene for our worship.

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.**

Prayers of Confession

The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own.
Let us confess our sins

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw you to himself,
that you may behold the glory of his Son,
the Word made flesh,
and be cleansed from all your sins,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
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 after a
few words from one of
the clergy**

The Word of God in Scripture

First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

Read by Jenny Scott-Thompson

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 36:5-10

The Choir sings the Psalm to traditional chant

5. Thy mercy, O Lord, reacheth unto the heavens :
and thy faithfulness unto the clouds.
6. Thy righteousness standeth like the strong mountains :
thy judgements are like the great deep.
7. Thou, Lord, shalt save both man and beast; How excellent is thy mercy, O God:
and the children of men shall put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.
8. They shall be satisfied with the plenteousness of thy house :
and thou shalt give them drink of thy pleasures, as out of the river.
9. For with thee is the well of life : and in thy light shall we see light.
10. O continue forth thy loving-kindness unto them that know thee :
and thy righteousness unto them that are true of heart.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Read by Ruth Hollelly

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

Concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one

can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn

Common Praise 341
At Cana's wedding long ago

Gospel Reading: John 2:1-11

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you, O Lord.

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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

Revd Joe Moore

After the sermon we keep a moment of silence

Anthem

Jubilate Deo

Benjamin Britten

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God. It is he that hath made us and not we ourselves. We are his people and the sheep of his pasture. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving and into his courts with praise. Be thankful unto him and speak good of his name. For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting, and his truth endureth from generation to generation. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever more shall be, world without end, Amen.

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 stand to share a greeting of peace.

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace.
Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Offertory Hymn

*Common Praise 90i
Songs of thankfulness and praise*

The Eucharistic Prayer

*The words of the Eucharistic Prayer are said mainly by the priest, although they are prayed by the whole congregation. You may find it helpful to your prayer to look and listen as the presiding priest leads us in this part of the service.
We pray with our eyes as well as our ears.*

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.

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, ever-living God, through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord: for at this time we celebrate your glory made present in our midst. In the coming of the Magi the King of all the world was revealed to the nations. In the waters of baptism Jesus was revealed as the Christ, the Saviour sent to redeem us. In the water made wine the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast. Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy.

Therefore with all the angels of heaven we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

**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, who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood; 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.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith.
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:
Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours 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

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 president shows the consecrated bread and wine to the people:

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.
Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Please come forward to receive Holy Communion row by row.

Communion Motet

O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit *Thomas Tallis*

O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit into our hearts, and lighten our understanding, that we may dwell in the fear of thy Name, all the days of our life, that we may know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent.

Communion Hymn

Common Praise 281
Author of life divine

Prayer after Communion

God of glory,
you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life:
fill us with your Holy Spirit
that through us the light of your glory
may shine in all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We are Sent forth in Mission

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

Blessing

Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory
and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Final Hymn

Common Praise 418
Father, Lord of all creation

Dismissal

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

Organ Voluntary

Procession by Francis Jackson

Jackson is one of the great figures of English Church Music in the last four decades, most of which he spent at York Minster. He died this week aged 104.

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For Your Prayers

The Sick and those in Need: Richard, Karen, Chloe & James, Denise Fox, Jean Wood, Jack Court, Lucien Nunes, Gareth Ablett, Krishna Sinclair, Gillian Graham and Kellie Arbour.

The Recently Departed and their Families: Michael Cox, Cecilia Sackey, B.A. Sackey, Claudia, Betty Todman, Graham Gibbs, Ugochukwu Uzuegbunam, Auntie Cece, David Smyly, Jean Ellis, Fiona.

Today at 3pm : Winter Recital

The Calathea Quartet perform works by Imogen Holst, Gareth Farr & Ina Boyle
Free with retiring collection

The Week Ahead at St Mary's

The Parish Office and Church are open Monday-Friday, 9.30am to 12.30pm

Monday 17 th January	Morning Prayer at 9am Bellringers at 7.30pm
Tuesday 18 th January	Holy Communion at 9am Vicar & Wardens Meeting at 6.45pm
Wednesday 19 th January	<i>Lectio Divina</i> at 9am (Zoom: Office has details) St Mary's Choir Rehearsal at 7.30pm
Thursday 20 th January	Holy Communion at 12.30pm

Next Sunday – The Third Sunday after Epiphany

8.30am	Holy Communion (Traditional Language) <i>Preacher: Canon Simon Butler</i>
11.00am	Parish Eucharist with Godly Play for Children <i>During this service Arabella Blakemore will be baptized</i> Preacher: Sarah Lyall, Citizens UK
3.00pm	Winter Recital: St Mary's Scholars <i>Our organ and choral scholars in concert</i>
6.00pm	Choral Evensong for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Led by Reverend Joe Moore

This Week's Notices

Reverend Joe Moore's Licensing as Curate had to be delayed because of Covid. Joe will now be licensed at St Mary's at Morning Prayer on Monday 24th January at 9am by the Bishop of Kingston, and you are very welcome to join us.

Alpha/Confirmation Course 2022: Joe and Aaron will be running an Alpha Course on Tuesday evenings beginning on 25th January. If you would be interested in joining the course as a member or could help provide refreshments or hospitality to the participants, please speak to Aaron (aaron@stmarysbattersea.org.uk) or Joe (joe@stmarysbattersea.org.uk). This will also be an opportunity to be prepared for confirmation, a service which will take place on Sunday 1st May.

Guest Preacher: On Sunday 23rd January, our guest preacher will be Ms Sarah Lyall from Citizens UK, who will be speaking about the work of community organizing and how it is growing in our Borough.

Choral Evensong for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: Join us in church with friends from Sacred Heart Catholic Church on Sunday 23rd January at 6pm. There will also be a special **Choral Evensong on Sunday 6th February, Accession Day**, at 6pm to mark the 70th Anniversary of the Accession of Her Majesty the Queen.

This Week's Notices

Can You Help Serve our Church?

From time to time, we experience the need to recruit people to help replenish the teams who deliver basic ministries of service at St Mary's. People want to take a break, or move away, or find they have other responsibilities that call upon their time. We are at one of those moments now – chiefly because of the knock-on effects of the pandemic – and are looking for people to come forward to help in the following ways:

Welcomers: Could you join the rota of people offering simple welcome and hospitality at the back of church on a Sunday at 8.30am? Speak to: Anne (annehull@talktalk.net)

Foodbank Coordinator: We need to identify someone to coordinate the collection and delivery of food for Wandsworth Foodbank. This is ideally someone with access to a car, who can deliver to the Foodbank Hub in Fulham. Speak to Aaron (aaron@stmarysbattersea.org.uk)

Fabric Group Members; The Church Council has a Fabric Working Group responsible for overseeing the more everyday elements of the care and maintenance of the building and churchyard. This group has been particularly diminished in numbers in recent months and needs people willing to help out, although most of the work itself is done by contractors. Speak to Stuart (stuartmc Alpine@incegd.com)

Community Action Learning Group. This work is bearing fruit. The first stage in our becoming a BeWell Church is in training up some mental health champions. Mental Health Champions pilot training (provided by our NHS Trust) is now on offer on the **19th and 25th January 2022**. Please email: mhpt@slam.nhs.uk with the subject line 'Mental Health Awareness Training for Be Well Hubs (insert either date) – (insert your name, St Mary's Church Battersea)', to register your interest and cc in Aaron and Rory Morgan (Rory.Morgan@citizensuk.org).

Battersea Communities is looking for volunteers to help run the pop-up coffee stall on Surrey Lane Estate, each Wednesday afternoon, from 2.45 – 4.15. Help ups build a community alliance on the Estate. More information: speak to Aaron.

Wandsworth Citizens. A group of local clergy, including Aaron, has been working with Sarah Lyall to set up a new chapter of London Citizens here in Wandsworth. We are inviting interested organisations to come and meet us (online) at our Welcome Event – an introduction to the work of Citizens on Weds 26th January, 7.30pm – 9.00pm. You are most welcome to attend. Please register for free here: <https://actionnetwork.org/events/wandsworth-citizens-welcome-evening>.

This Week's Notices

Film Night: The first film night of 2022 is on Sunday 31st January at 6pm – in place of Evening Prayer – when we will watch the film *Hell or High Water* (102 minutes, Cert 15), an action thriller with a moral heart. A glass of wine and nibbles available from 5.45pm. Invite your friends – it's a great way to introduce them to St Mary's.

Welcome to New Members & Worshippers: If you've joined St Mary's since the beginning of the pandemic we'd love to invite you to join us for a drink after the 11am service on Sunday 13th February.

St Mary's & Fair Trade: Tim Walker has offered to lead in encouraging St Mary's to re-engage with fairly-traded goods and to pursue fair trade church status, including beginning to hold a regular fair trade stall. If you are interested in finding out more about this, please stay behind after the 11am service to speak to Aaron Kennedy and Tim. Alternatively, please contact them via aaron@stmarysbattersea.org.uk.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations: The first event this year will be on **Sunday 6th February, Accession Day** – marking the 70th Anniversary of the day Her Majesty became Queen. Unusually, Choral Evensong will be held on the 1st Sunday of the month at 6pm to mark this with a special service at which the preacher will be Canon Thomas Woodhouse, Chaplain to the Queen's Chapel at the Savoy, and an occasional worshipper at Evensong. Do put this day in your diary and invite your friends. We also hope to be able to announce some exciting plans for the Platinum Jubilee weekend in early June before too long.

St Mary's Discipleship Conversations: Some years ago Simon introduced a scheme offering every member of St Mary's who would value the opportunity to have a structured one-to-one conversation with a member of the Ministry Team about life, faith, doubt and struggle. Called Discipleship Conversations, these proved extremely popular and gave everyone in our wider church family the opportunity to talk about matters of the heart in an open, confidential and encouraging context. With three clergy on the team again, we think we are now in a position to start another round of these conversations and we are proposing to begin making the offer to you from early February. We hope these will also give you a chance to reflect as a person of faith – or even if you don't think you are – on the experience of the past two years, which has challenged us all. Look out for more details in the coming days.



WINTER RECITAL SERIES 2022

All recitals are at 3pm on Sundays
and are free to attend

Sunday 16th January

Calathea Quartet

Music for string quartet from England, Ireland and New Zealand.

Sunday 23rd January

The Scholars of St Mary's

Come and support the St Mary's choral and organ scholars as they perform solo and ensemble music.



Sunday 30th January

Duo Benedict

Piano duets including music by Beethoven, Bizet and Moszkowski.

Sunday 6th February

Trio Cavatina

A Celebration of Poets and Song, including texts by Shakespeare and Goethe and settings by Quilter and Schubert.

Sunday 13th February

Michael Overbury

An organ recital featuring music by Buxtehude, Purcell, Bach and Soler.

Sunday 20th February

Leilani Barratt

Our soprano choral scholar and Royal College of Music graduate Leilani performs songs by Strauss and Schoenberg.

For more information visit www.stmarysbattersea.org.uk