



St Mary's
BATTERSEA
Growing together with God

St Mary's is:

a community of *Christ's disciples*, faithful and enquiring;
a community of *love*, hospitable and nurturing;
and a community of *difference*, inclusive and transforming.

Sunday 16th January 2022
The Second Sunday after Epiphany

6.00pm Evening Prayer

The service is led by Canon Simon Butler

Opening Hymn: 30 **Lift up your heads, you mighty gates**

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Psalm: 145:1-13

- 1 I WILL magnify thee, O God, my King :
and I will praise thy Name for ever and ever.
- 2 Every day will I give thanks unto thee :
and praise thy Name for ever and ever.
- 3 Great is the Lord, and marvellous worthy to be praised :
there is no end of his greatness.
- 4 One generation shall praise thy works unto another :
and declare thy power.
- 5 As for me, I will be talking of thy worship :
thy glory, thy praise, and wondrous works;
- 6 So that men shall speak of the might of thy marvellous acts :
and I will also tell of thy greatness.
- 7 The memorial of thine abundant kindness shall be shewed :
and men shall sing of thy righteousness.
- 8 The Lord is gracious and merciful : long-suffering and of great goodness.
- 9 The Lord is loving unto every man : and his mercy is over all his works.
- 10 All thy works praise thee, O Lord : and thy saints give thanks unto thee.
- 11 They shew the glory of thy kingdom : and talk of thy power;
- 12 That thy power, thy glory, and mightiness of thy kingdom :
might be known unto men.
- 13 Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom :
and thy dominion endureth throughout all ages.

First Reading: **Isaiah 49:1-7**

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Prayers

Hymn: **443 God is our strength and refuge**

The Blessing or the Grace

Giving to St Mary's

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 Please complete all the details on 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

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.

Next Sunday at 3pm : Winter Recital
St Mary's Organ and Choral Scholars in Concert
 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: The 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.

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.

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 (stuartmcalpine@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.

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