



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 7th August 2022
Eighth Sunday after Trinity
6.00pm Evening Prayer

The service is led by Ms Sue Whitley

Opening Hymn: 182 **Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost**, t. Charity

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Psalms: 115

- 1 NOT unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy Name give the praise :
for thy loving mercy and for thy truth's sake.
- 2 Wherefore shall the heathen say : Where is now their God?
- 3 As for our God, he is in heaven : he hath done whatsoever pleased him.
- 4 Their idols are silver and gold : even the work of men's hands.
- 5 They have mouths, and speak not : eyes have they, and see not.
- 6 They have ears, and hear not : noses have they, and smell not.
- 7 They have hands, and handle not; feet have they, and walk not :
neither speak they through their throat.
- 8 They that make them are like unto them :
and so are all such as put their trust in them.
- 9 But thou, house of Israel, trust thou in the Lord :
he is their succour and defence.
- 10 Ye house of Aaron, put your trust in the Lord :
he is their helper and defender.
- 11 Ye that fear the Lord, put your trust in the Lord:
he is their helper and defender.
- 12 The Lord hath been mindful of us, and he shall bless us :
even he shall bless the house of Israel,
he shall bless the house of Aaron.
- 13 He shall bless them that fear the Lord : both small and great.
- 14 The Lord shall increase you more and more : you and your children.

- 15 Ye are the blessed of the Lord : who made heaven and earth.
16 All the whole heavens are the Lord's :
the earth hath he given to the children of men.
17 The dead praise not thee, O Lord :
neither all they that go down into silence.
18 But we will praise the Lord :
from this time forth for evermore. Praise the Lord.

First Reading: **Song of Songs 8:5-7**

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Second Reading: **2 Peter 3:8-15**

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Address: **Ms Sue Whitley**

Prayers:

Hymn: **516 Love divine, all loves excelling**

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: Bruce Lee, Tony Lester, Brian and Marion Mortimer, Brigid Colleton, Eileen Thompson, Irene Swasbrook, Nikki Yates, George Turner, Julian Clark, Paul, Corbin Swecker, Kelly Arbour, John Wickham, Julie Walker.

The Recently Departed and their Families: Derek Williams, Derrick Taylor, Chuck, Lawrence Wiley.

This Week at St Mary's

The Parish Office & Church are open 9.30am to 12.30pm each weekday.

Monday 8th August Morning Prayer at 9am
Tuesday 9th August Holy Communion at 9am
Wednesday 10th August *Lectio Divina* at 9am (Zoom, Office has details)
Thursday 11th August Holy Communion at 12.30pm

Next Sunday: The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion (Traditional Language)
11.00am Summer Style Parish Eucharist with Holy Baptism
During this service Hally Page, Theodore and Sienna Simpson will be baptised
Morning Sermon: Should we Forgive *and* Forget?
2.00pm The Marriage of Mohsen Ben Yahya & Jennifer Aluffo
4.00pm Summer Recital: Maria Kustas (Piano)
Beethoven & Brahms
6.00pm Evening Prayer led by Leslie Spatt

This Week's Notices

With Aaron's departure, we want to take forward some of the work he began. If you can help with the short first Sunday Family@Church service, please contact Joe Moore or Debbie Apostolides (dgha@sky.com). If you might be interested in helping 'green' St Mary's by joining the Eco-Church Group, please contact Simon or Stuart McAlpine (stuartmcalpine@incegd.com). The Church Council will be exploring the staffing issues which arise from the end of the Associate Vicar post – at least in this form – at a special September meeting. Please do share any thoughts with Simon or the Church Wardens.

Summer Recital Series: Every Sunday at 3pm (except next Sunday when it will be at 4pm). Free with refreshments afterwards.

Hymn Books: We seem to be a bit reduced in the number of hymn books at the back of church. If you've borrowed one or accidentally taken one home, please could you drop it back when you're next in church? Thank you!

This Week's Notices

Reading the Bible: How to Start or Get Better at it: Simon's is planning to continue his Bible Reading sessions on Monday evenings for a couple more sessions, on Monday 22nd August and Monday 12th September. Both 7.30pm to 8.45pm in Church. Open to beginners and the more experienced. Come and join a growing group!

London Open House and an Autumn Fayre

This year's London Open House takes place over a longer period and St Mary's will be open to visitors on the 2 weekends, 10-11th & 17th-18th September. Please sign up at the back of church if you can help.

In addition to this from Friday 16th September afternoon through to Sunday 18th September evening we will be holding an **Autumn Fayre**. This is primarily the Christmas Fayre postponed from 2020 when we had to cancel for Covid restrictions. Please note this is NOT the traditional St Mary's fair. We will be having commercial stalls, information about church activities and groups, a walk to Battersea Park, some music and more. Further details will follow over the coming weeks. Any queries please contact Libby at libby.bradshaw@ursa.me.uk

Looking forward to the Autumn: Simon is on sabbatical from 19th September to 3rd January 2023. This would be a great time for people to step forward and fill some of the gaps. We need, among other things:

- Some new Welcomers to assist the team in offering hospitality;
- A few more people to help lead the intercessions at 11am on Sundays;
- Some volunteers the Wardens, Harry & Joe can call upon to help with other practical matters;

This would be great time for people new to St Mary's to offer to help in what will be a particularly pressured time for our core team.

Weekday Worship in the Autumn: We will be trialling a different pattern of weekday worship from September to January, which will offer new chances to worship, pray and study, while adapting our current programme for the period of Simon's sabbatical. The programme will be as follows:

Monday: Morning Prayer on Facebook Live/Zoom at 9am

Tuesday: *Lectio Divina* (Prayerful Bible Reading) on Zoom at 9am

Wednesday: Holy Communion, Bible Study and Coffee at 10.30am

This is a new clergy-led service which will offer a chance to meet for worship, bible-focussed learning and discussion and for fellowship during the week.

Thursday: Prayer during the Day at 1.00pm. (20 minutes)

A simple service of the word prior to the regular Thursday afternoon study group meeting at 1.30pm

This pattern will begin on Monday 5th September.