

FRIENDS OF THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST MARY, WARWICK

Registered Charity No. 503629

February 2017

Dear Friends,

Dates for your diary 2017

I do hope you will be able to join us for our exciting programme of activities which our outgoing hon. secretary Kevin McHale and the committee have organised for 2017.

DATE	EVENT	VENUE	TIME
Wednesday 15 March	Behind the Scenes at St Mary's A presentation about the work of the Vergers Team.	St Mary's	7.00 p.m.
Wednesday 26 April	"Oken's to Osaka" A talk by Jo Hobbs about her trip to run Oken's tearoom in Japan.	Oken's Tearooms	6.30 p.m. Tickets £8 (includes a high tea)*
Sunday 14 May	AGM**	St Mary's	12:00 after Sung Eucharist
Friday 16 June	Coach-trip	Renishaw Hall & Gardens	Coach leaves Warwick at : 8.30 a.m. Coach departs Renishaw at 4:00 p.m.; arrives Warwick 6:00 p.m.
August	Croquet evening	Bridge End	Date and time to follow.
Autumn	Lecture and social evening	TBA	Date and time to follow.
Thursday 30 November	Mulled wine and mince pie stall, Warwick Victorian evening	St Mary's	6.00 p.m. – 8.30 p.m.

*This is a Friends only event and tickets must be obtained in advance from Kevin McHale (mobile 07780 698 589 or email snowlizard@hotmail.co.uk)

**The AGM Agenda, accounts, Chairman's report and last year's AGM minutes will be available on the Church website from late April. A limited number of printed copies will be available at the meeting.

Friends' contribution to the restoration of St Mary's

In 2015 the Friends donated £40,000 to two separate restoration projects at St Mary's.

In 2016 the Friends covered the cost of replacing the organ humidifier in the sum of £3,296.

In 2017 the Friends have committed a sum, which will not exceed £38,000, to the restoration of the Dean's Chapel.

Subscriptions and contact details

Subscriptions to the Friends fall due in January (minimum suggested subscriptions £10 per person; £20 per couple).

Could I encourage those who have not yet done so to set up an annual standing order in favour of the Friends and also to let us have your e-mail address.

Our bank account details are:

Bank:	Lloyds
Account name:	Friends of St Mary's Warwick
Account number:	00389646
Sort Code:	30-99-15

Cheques should be mailed to the Hon. Treasurer, Ian Bayliss, 5 Lammas Walk, Warwick CV34 4UX.

Finally I would like to record my thanks to Kevin McHale who has done an outstanding job over the last years as Hon. Secretary of the Friends and to welcome Heather Partis as our new Hon. Secretary. We wish you all well in 2017, thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to meeting you at our events.

Sincerely yours,

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