

✦WARWICK TEAM MINISTRY✦



Weekly Newsletter

WELCOME TO OUR WEEKLY NEWSLETTER. The Westminster government has set out a roadmap to move England gradually out of its third lockdown and we have produced a programme for the phased reopening of St Mary's. We have resumed our 10.30am Sunday service, which is also live-streamed on Facebook and then uploaded to YouTube.



We are gradually applying our phased reopening plan, which will continue to be updated in the coming weeks as we constantly monitor further guidance from the Government, the local authority, the Church of England and other organizations. Keep up to date on our website and newsletter.

Throughout the pandemic we have continued to produce our news sheet, prayer diary and parish magazine, which can be viewed and downloaded from our website. The church office is working from home at present and can be contacted through the details at the end of the newsletter or online.



Further information about St Mary's, our life and ministry can be found on: our **website** www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk

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YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/c/CollegiateChurchofStMaryWarwick>

SERVICES

18th July 2021
Trinity 7

10.30am

Sunday Worship
also on Facebook & YouTube

Officiant & Preacher: Vaughan Roberts
Reading: 2 Samuel 7: 1-14a – Chris Hodgetts
Intercessor: Tony Fitzpatrick
Reading: Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56 – Kirsteen Robson
Organ Voluntary: *Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend (BWV 655)* J.S. Bach

Director of Music: Oliver Hancock
Assistant Director of Music: Mark Swinton

NOTICES

GOING FORWARD

Today is the last Sunday in Step 3 of the Westminster Government's road map and, as we go to press, tomorrow will see COVID restrictions easing. Naturally people are anxious about this, whilst others are keen to move forward. St Mary's has a duty of care to all members of our congregation and the vicar, wardens, team leaders and staff have begun to explore how to reopen safely. We are waiting for further advice from the Church of England, Coventry Diocese, the Royal School of Church Music and others before we can say definitively how things will develop. Our plan at present is to keep our present service pattern in place over the summer months but look to restore some sense of normality from the start of next term in September.



THIS SUNDAY ...

... would have seen the Folk Festival in Warwick and the regular Folk Festival and Civic Service at St Mary's. Sadly the Festival has been cancelled for the second year running and the Civic Service has been moved into 2022, so today's Sunday Worship will be a simple and reflective Service of the Word.



NEW BEGINNINGS

On a positive note we will be reopening St Mary's to the public during the summer months on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays for the afternoons. As we announced last week, we have been able to appoint our new Visitor Team of Anaïs Vanian-Cooper, Martin Carpenter and Fred Whibley. The church will be opening at 2pm on Thursday 22nd July, and then from 12pm to 5pm every Thursday to Sunday until September 26th. We will be busy returning the church to a more normal setup at the start of the week, but sadly we have concluded that it will not be possible to open the shop during this 10-week period.

REST IN PEACE



Last week the funerals were held in church of John Hosiene (one of our vergers) and Kate Lamb (a member of our coffee team). Naturally there was much sadness on these occasions but also a note of thanksgiving for all that both John and Kate achieved in their lives. Please continue to keep John's and Kate's family and friends in your prayers in the coming days and weeks.

CAMPAIGN 2023 (1)

We are holding Information Events about Campaign 2023 for members of the congregation on Wed 21st July at 3.30pm and Mon 26th July at 10.30am. Invitations for these events will be available in church on Sunday. If you would like to collect one and reply to Clare Sawdon either by telephone on 07980 300309 or email to campaign2023@stmaryswarwick.org.uk indicating which event you would like to attend that will help with catering. If you are unable to attend in person to collect a formal invitation just let Clare know and she will book you in for your chosen date. This will be an opportunity to find out how you can support the campaign to fund urgent restoration to the historic tower, as well as raise funds to secure the fabric, music and ministry at St Mary's for future generations. For further information please contact Clare.



St. Mary's
Campaign 2023

CAMPAIGN 2023 (2)

A Campaign 2023 Executive Committee (CEC) is being formed to oversee our fundraising campaign. We're looking for new committee members who can generously commit their time, and in particular, members to promote the campaign, support fundraising events, develop relationships with potential donors and ask for gifts, and run initiatives to engage our local community. If you're interested in joining the committee, please contact Alan Faulkner (apfaulkner@me.com).

CHOIR NEWS (1)

Last Sunday was the final Sunday of the year for our choirs and it was wonderful to have our boy and girl choristers singing for our worship. We wish them well over the forthcoming holidays and hope they return refreshed and re-energised in September. We're also bidding farewell to two members of the music staff team. First to our current Organ Scholar, and we were very sorry to wave Lucy Morrell off as she moves to a teaching post at Dulwich College from September. Lucy has been a fantastic colleague and a splendid part of the Music Department, and will be very much missed. Much of her time in post was lost, of course, but she held the fort at St Mary's when the rest of the Department was put on furlough, and for that - among much else - we are very grateful indeed. We wish her and Greg every happiness in the next stage of life, and to welcoming them back as and when we can. The end of term also marks the departure of our splendid Vocal Coach, Chloë Pardoe, who has taken up a post at St Thomas' Prep School, Battersea. She has helped to transform the sound of the choir and we are very sorry to see her go. News of a new vocal coach to follow in the fullness of time!



CHOIR NEWS (2)

We are very pleased to announce the appointment of Matthew Howell as Organ Scholar at St Mary's from September. He will also be Graduate Music Assistant at King's High School, continuing the joint role created two years ago. Matthew has just completed his studies at the University of Chichester Conservatoire, during which time he passed Grade 8 organ with distinction and gained the Certificate of the Royal College of Organists diploma. He is also a keen singer, having been a bass choral scholar at Arundel Cathedral for the last two years. Of his appointment Matthew writes, 'I am feeling a mixture of excitement and nervousness, but overall looking forward to what the future holds, the opportunity to learn lots of new repertoire, and the chance to meet new people during my time in Warwick'. We look forward to installing him at the beginning of September.

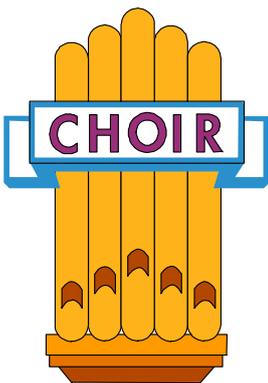
HELP NEEDED!

Do you have a sewing machine and a few spare hours? If so, the team organising a Gala Dinner on Nov 4th would be truly grateful for some help. We have received some beautiful, handmade bunting - all ready to use. However, we have also received a large quantity of pre-cut cotton (and knitted) pieces that are now ready to be attached to ribbon. We don't need it until mid-October, but we are keen to have it assembled in plenty of time. Please, please, if you can help do speak to Carol Warren or Helen Fitzpatrick, or ring 07889 420993. After November, this genuine "community bunting" is being donated to the Town Council, to be reused whenever possible. Many thanks."



COME ON AND CELEBRATE

We are delighted to invite you to celebrate the founding of the St Mary's Girls' Choir and 2021 Guild of Ex-Choristers' Reunion in September. All former choristers - girls, boys, adults - and anyone involved with the choir past or present (including supporters) are very welcome to attend any and/or all parts of the celebration. The main event takes place on Saturday 18th September with Choral Evensong and a sit-down meal at the historic Lord Leycester Hospital with special guest and Founder of the Girls' Choir, Simon Lole. For those making a weekend of it, there is also a chance to join the current choir at the Sunday morning service and, for those who can't attend in person, there is an earlier opportunity to catch up on Wednesday 15th September at our virtual Guild AGM. To see the full programme of events and to book your



place for some or all of the activities, please view the online booking form: <https://forms.office.com/r/uE6AbDyVcF> or email the Director of Music, Oliver Hancock: dofm@stmaryswarwick.org.uk

LET'S CONNECT

We're planning to run a pilot of an integrated email and contact database application (MailChimp) that is free to use. This will provide St Mary's with an effective way to communicate with specific church groups or individuals. Initially we'll send out a weekly eNewsletter, which will complement the existing Newsletter downloadable from our Facebook page or the church website. Once the new application is proven, we'll expand the variety of communications to help keep the St Mary's community connected, especially those who do not choose to use or have access to other social media platforms such as Facebook. Do subscribe, encourage your friends to subscribe, and let us know what you think about the eNewsletter. Visit <http://eepurl.com/hwOJhb> or look out for an introductory email or Facebook post for full details.

Digital Comms Team digitalcomms@stmaryswarwick.org.uk

CALLING ALL PLAYERS

To celebrate Coventry's City of Culture, local musician, Seb Farrall, is calling on all musicians to get involved in an exciting musical project. As part of Coventry Central Hall's City of Culture "Artists in Residence Programme" (AiR), Seb is starting a brand new orchestra. The AiR programme is funded by Coventry and Nuneaton Methodist circuit and supported by Methodist Church at Coventry Central Hall. Membership of the orchestra is open to all and rehearsals begin in Sept 2021, working towards a large-scale celebration concert in April 2022 at Central Hall. To find out more and register for the orchestra, please head to www.coventryorchestra.co.uk



GENTLEMEN OF ST JOHN'S CONCERT

Formed of the choral and organ scholars of the world-renowned Choir of St John's College, Cambridge, the Gentlemen of St John's will be giving a concert in St Mary's on Thursday 16th September at 7.30pm. With a repertoire spanning over 600 years, from early Renaissance polyphony to close-harmony arrangements of modern-day classic, there is sure to be music to delight everyone. The Gents are kindly donating all profits to St Mary's. Please do come along to hear one of the country's top choirs, and start the new term as we hope it will go on - with top-quality live music. Tickets are £15 (under 16s free) from <https://gentlemenofstjohns.eventbrite.co.uk>.



LOCAL LIBRARY

Warwick Library is open for browsing and borrowing. The current opening hours are 8am - 5.30pm Mon - Thu, 8am - 5pm on Fri, and 9am - 4pm on Sat. It is easy and free to join the library and to borrow books and access lots of other resources - you can sign up online before you visit, just go to warwickshire.gov.uk/libraries. The library has a wide range of books available for loan, including books by bestselling authors, fiction books, crime books, funny books, and Information books. It also has picture books, children's chapter books, a Beginner Reads collection for children just starting their reading journey and a dedicated collection for Young Adults. This year's Summer Reading Challenge, where children aged 4-11 can earn a medal for reading with lots of fun along the way, runs from 10th July - 4th September 2021. As well as borrowing books you can use BorrowBox which is our eBook and eAudio platform. It has a huge collection of audio books and eBooks for all ages to choose from and new titles are added every month. Visit warwickshire.gov.uk/libraries to find out more

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN WARWICK EVENTS IN JULY 2021

Sunday 18th July: Fr. Edward Stewart will lead his well-appreciated Thanksgiving and Remembrance 4pm in Warwick Cemetery with prayers and hymns for those buried in the cemetery. It takes place outside under the trees on the entrance road. Bring a chair and umbrella if you need it. No booking required.

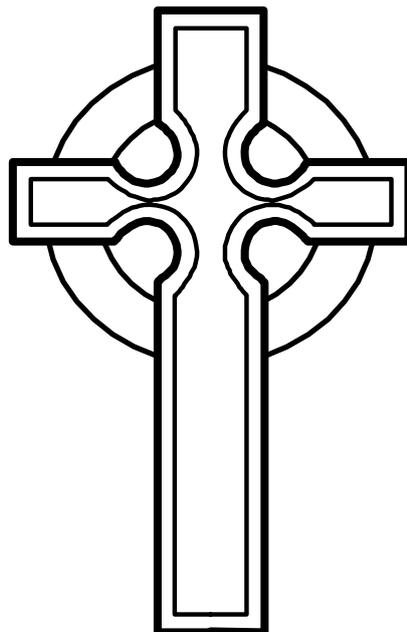
Saturday 24th: HOTS (Healing on the Street) are pleased to be back live in the Market Place from 10.00am to noon.

FIRE UNLOCKED

Thanks to Gill James and Carol Johns for organizing a prayer walk around Warwick last Wednesday using the Deanery's Prayer Walking App called Fire Unlocked. If you'd like to use it then it can still be downloaded here: <https://www.fireunlocked.org/>. People who can't prayer walk physically could use it virtually with Google Street View.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Ellie Booth, Christopher Browne, Clifford Browne, Dan Deutsch, Sheila Freeman, Frances Humphreys, Mandeep Madar, Gwen & Paul Shilton.

PRAYERS FOR THE DEPARTED: John Hosiene, Kate Lamb, Elizabeth Round, Kenneth Freeborn



FORTHCOMING SUNDAY SERVICES

We are live streaming our 10.30am Sunday Service on Facebook each week,
and then uploading the service to YouTube

Sunday 25th July - St James

	10.30am Sunday Worship in church & online	
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Sunday 1st August - Trinity 9

	10.30am Sunday Eucharist in church & online	
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Sunday 8th August - Trinity 10

	10.30am Sunday Eucharist in church & online	
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Sunday 15th August - Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary

	10.30am Sunday Worship in church & online	
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