

✦WARWICK TEAM MINISTRY✦



Weekly Newsletter

WELCOME TO OUR WEEKLY NEWSLETTER. The Westminster government's Plan B remains in place until Thursday 27th January, so wearing face-coverings is mandatory for all church worship until then. In addition, we continue to follow the Bishop of Coventry's advice that masks be worn for congregational singing for the time being. Our regular services are all listed in this newsletter and online and we provide a live-stream of our 10.30am Sunday service on Facebook and YouTube.



We are following the guidance of the Church of England and other organisations, including when it comes to giving and receiving communion. Full instructions are in our service leaflets. We have a zone on the south side of church which are kept for those who also wish to maintain social distancing.

The current order of service, newsletter, prayer diary and parish magazine can still be viewed and downloaded from our website.

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

St Mary's Campaign 2023 <https://www.stmaryscampaign2023.org.uk/>

Twitter @StMarysWarwick and @ChoirsofWarwick

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

Please note that for legal and copyright reasons the taking of videos, photographs and recordings is not permitted during services.

SERVICES

January 23rd Epiphany 3

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP Said)

Celebrant & Preacher: Vaughan Roberts

The service begins in the Book of Common Prayer page 112

10.30am Choral Eucharist (Common Worship)
Boys' and Men's Voices
also on Facebook & YouTube

Preacher: Vaughan Roberts

Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 12-31a - Gail Guest

Intercessor: John Luxton

Organ Voluntary *Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern* Pachelbel

6.00pm CTW United Service Northgate Methodist

NO EVENSONG AT ST MARY'S

Director of Music: Oliver Hancock

Assistant Director of Music: Mark Swinton

Organ Scholar: Matthew Howell

NOTICES

THIS SUNDAY: We are coming to the conclusion of the *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity* and this evening the *Churches Together in Warwick* Unity Service is at 6pm in Northgate Methodist Church, so there's no Choral Evensong at St Mary's. CTW requests those attending in person do a Lateral Flow Test before coming along. The service is also available via Zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/97859135482?pwd=dFVRV1kwdWJJVHlqbXFmTnRZamhYZz09>

Meeting ID: 978 5913 5482, Passcode: 908734.



PAST & FUTURE

Thank you to everyone who contributed to last Sunday's well-received Epiphany Carol Service. Next Sunday we welcome the Bishop of Warwick, Rt Revd John Stroyan, who will be taking a confirmation and first communion for those candidates prepared by Alycia Timmis when she was curate at St Mary's and delayed because of the pandemic.



COVID CONTINGENCIES

Following the implementation of the Westminster government's 'Plan B' the wearing of masks has once again been made mandatory in churches for all our services. As a precautionary measure we are also suspending the use of the chalice for the time being. We are also recommending that we follow the advice of our Bishop that masks are worn during congregation singing.

OM OFF: A personal message from Mary Adams

"It is with regret that I announce that I have handed in my resignation as Operations Manager. I have done my absolute best to perform the role since my appointment in March 2020, but sadly am no longer able to cope with the relentless demands it has placed on me and the knock-on detrimental effect it has had on my family. My last day at work will be Wednesday 2 February, but I will still be appearing in St Mary's in my various other guises."

THE VICAR WRITES:

"I would like to add my personal words of thanks to Mary for all that she has done in her time as our Operations Manager. I'm acutely aware that this has been a challenging time to have taken on this role and I'm very grateful for all the energy, skill and expertise she's brought to the post. We shall miss her as our OM but are pleased that she she'll be around 'in other guises'."



Thank You

SERVING ST MARY'S:

We have had some responses to our appeal for more volunteers to join St Mary's serving team. If you feel that God might be calling you to this ministry it's not too late to contact Grahame Edmonds gaedmonds@btinternet.com, Vicky Bartholomew vickybartholomew@btinternet.com or the Vicar.

TEWKESBURY ABBEY

The boys and men are singing Evensong at Tewkesbury Abbey at 5.00pm on Sunday 23rd January, including music by Francis Jackson and Herbert Howells. All are very welcome to attend!

CARETAKING CONCERNS

Sadly our new caretaker, Simon, found just after Christmas that he was unable to continue in the post. We are enormously grateful to Anthony Charles for agreeing to step in and help out in the short term. Anthony has been recommended to us by St Michael's Budbrooke and will be working irregular hours to fit in with the other demands on his time.

OPPORTUNITY TO USE YOUR PASTORAL GIFTS

St Mary's offers regular supportive phone calls (and visits when safe) to local people who ask for some listening and kindness. Are you able to join the volunteer members of our congregation who provide this, for one or two hours a week? Support and training is offered, as well as knowing you will be doing important work during these difficult times. Please contact Nick Edwards nicholas.edwards@ymail.com if you may be able to help.

LIVE-STREAMING GDPR NOTICE

Some of St Mary's services (most Sunday mornings and some special services) are live-streamed or recorded for those who cannot attend church in person. Under GDPR, the church must gain the consent of anyone whose image may be captured, as this constitutes collection of "personal data". This includes clergy, readers/intercessors, servers, musicians and congregation. Whilst every attempt is made not to capture the faces of members of the congregation, this may occasionally happen if people turn around or move around the church during the



service. The exception is communion, when the congregation is not filmed. The side aisles and the back third of the centre of the church are film-free areas not covered by our cameras. Anyone whose personal data is collected must give their

consent.

The full policy can be read on the noticeboards or from the "Featured" section of the front page of our website.

Would everyone please indicate their consent either by signing the form at the back of church or using the link to the online form on our website.

EIGHT SEASONS HELP NEEDED

We are looking for help in promoting and setting up for the Jean Liggins memorial fundraising concert on 26th February (see back page). If you are willing over the next week or two to distribute posters and flyers particularly around Warwick but also nearby towns/villages, and/or to help light candles around the church before the concert itself, please contact Mary on om@stmaryswarwick.org.uk.

THE RE-LAUNCH OF MEMORY CAFÉ PLUS at All Saints' Emscote's Church Centre on Monday 7th March 2022, from 1pm to 3pm. Free buffet lunch included. The re-launched project is being run through a new partnership between members of the Warwick Team of Churches and Warwick's GAP Community Centre. The Café's regular sessions will run on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month, from 2pm to 4pm, beginning on Monday 21st March. RSVP by Monday 7th February to: revdt.allsaints@gmail.com and cherylynneharrison@gmail.com

CALLING ALL SINGERS

There are various opportunities for singing at St Mary's:

- Alto (male or female) to join the Robed Choir. Attendance at both Sunday services plus a Friday evening rehearsal, 7.00-8.20pm, with Friday Evensong if possible. This is an auditioned place. Please contact Oliver Hancock (dofm@stmaryswarwick.org.uk) for more details.
- If you'd like to do some liturgical singing but can't commit every week, consider St Mary's Scholars. A number of Sundays across the year plus services in Holy Week (the week before Easter), with Tuesday evening rehearsals in the weeks leading to a service. All voice parts welcome, especially tenors! Please email Mark Swinton for more details and to arrange an audition: adofm@stmaryswarwick.org.uk.
- If you're looking for a more relaxed or non-liturgical singing environment, join Collegium: non-auditioned concert choir, with three concerts each year and Monday evening rehearsals. This year's programme includes: Rossini Stabat Mater and Pergolesi Magnificat, and Schubert Mass in G and Bach Canata 147. Contact Oliver for more details, or come along to a Monday rehearsal: 7.30pm at St Mary's. All voice parts welcome, especially tenors.

NOSFERATU

St Mary's Church, 7.30pm, Saturday 5 March.
A live improvised organ soundtrack for a screening of F. W Murnau's 1922 film. Join us for a celebration of the 100th anniversary of Nosferatu's original release, with soundtrack improvised live by Mark Swinton at the organ. Tickets £15 (plus booking fee), available from <https://stmarysnosferatu.eventbrite.co.uk>. In aid of Campaign 2023 and the Friends of St Mary's Choir.



ORGAN RECITAL On Friday 4th February, our guest recitalist will be Da-Hee Kim, an award-winning pianist whose career as a soloist and chamber musician has taken her all over the world. She will be presenting a virtuosic programme of music by Bach-Busoni, Chopin and Rachmaninoff. Admission is free with a retiring collection and the performance starts at 1.15pm. Don't miss it!

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

The new year has started and it's time again to count The Children's Society boxes, so could we please ask everyone to bring their Children's Society box into church. We did very well last year and raised £575.07 so hopefully this year we can match this amount or indeed raise more. We will count the money and return the boxes to the back of the church within 2 weeks. Unfortunately, church is only open for services during the week, as follows: Wednesday morning 10am, Wednesday evening 5.30pm, Friday evening 5.30pm and of course Sunday 8am, 10.30am and 5.30pm. If you are able to bring the boxes at any of these times the people on duty will take the box from you and place it safely in the vestry. With thanks for your help in raising money for the continuing work of The Children's Society.

Gill and David Benson

BISHOP'S CERTIFICATE IN DISCIPLESHIP & MINISTRY

The Diocese has 4 BCDM courses happening in person or via Zoom during the second half of the Spring term and The details are as follows:

Paul's Life, Mission and Letters: Gain an understanding of what motivated Paul, what his opponents said, and find ways of reading his letters so that they make sense. At St Nicolas in Nuneaton Monday evenings from 19.00 - 21.30 from 07 March to 04 April with Jon Taylor.

The Book of Revelation: Get to grips with how to understand this incredible, visionary book on Zoom on a Tuesday afternoon from 14.00 - 16.00 from 01 Mar to 29 Mar This will be delivered by Katherine Walakira.

Needs Based Evangelism: Explore the Mission of God, being relevant to our context, four dimensional listening and implicit and explicit evangelism at St John's, Westwood in Coventry on Thu evenings from 19.00 - 21.30 from 03-31 Mar with Gareth Fitzpatrick.

Discovering and Using Our Spiritual Gifts: Explore the gifts that God has given you and how he might be calling you to use them (both within and outside of the church). At St Marks in Bilton. This will take place on a Wednesday evening from 19.00 - 21.30 from 09 March to 06 April with Jen Stewart.

The link to enrol is - <https://www.equiphub.org.uk/category/bcdm/>



WRITING FOR WELLBEING GROUP

A monthly class for those interested in writing for their own wellbeing and personal development. Led by Meg Harper, assisted by Sheila Robinson
First class: 7-8.30pm, Thu 27th Jan and ongoing: 7-8.30pm on the fourth Thursday of the month. At The Sydni Centre, Cottage Square, Sydenham, Leamington Spa, CV31 1PT £5 per class. All welcome (It will be important to attend as regularly as possible because writers need feedback and encouragement from other writers!) Meg & Sheila's goal is to support you in finding ways to enhance your wellbeing and personal development through writing activities in the class and between sessions.

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CHURCHES TOGETHER IN WARWICK

Saturday 5th February Prayer Breakfast at St Paul's from 8am.

Wednesday 9th February first Forum Meeting of 2022 from 8pm at Collegiate Church of St Mary.

IN MEMORIAM

A memorial service for the late Jim Reeve is to be at St Mary's on Friday 4th February at 3pm. Jim's funeral before Christmas was a small family gathering so this will be an opportunity for the wider community to give thanks to God for his life and celebrate his gifts. We have also been sad to learn about the recent death of David Selby. His funeral was on Friday at Oakley Wood. Please keep his family and friends in your prayers at this time.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Ellie Booth, Christopher Browne, Clifford Browne, Elizabeth Duffy, Sheila Freeman, Elizabeth Holroyde, Frances Humphreys, Mandeep Madar, Paul Shilton.

PRAYERS FOR THE DEPARTED: David Selby

SERVICES THIS WEEK: Beginning 23rd January

Wednesday 26 th January	10.00am 5.30pm	Holy Communion Choral Evensong
Friday 28 th January	5.30pm 7.00pm	<u>NO</u> Choral Evensong Service for the Feast of Thomas Oken

FORTHCOMING SUNDAY SERVICES

Sunday 30th January - Presentation of Christ (Candlemas)

8.00am Holy Communion	10.30am Baptism, Confirmation & Communion with the Bishop of Warwick	5.30pm Candlemas Vigil
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Sunday 6th February - 4th before Lent

8.00am Holy Communion	10.30am Choral Eucharist	5.30pm Choral Evensong
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Sunday 13th February - 3rd before Lent

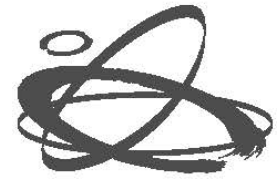
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Sunday 20th February - 2nd before Lent

8.00am Holy Communion	10.30am Choral Eucharist	5.30pm Choral Evensong
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St. Mary's
Campaign 2023



ORCHESTRA OF
The Swan

Collegiate Church of St Mary, Warwick

Saturday 26 February 2022, 7.30pm

Vivaldi and Piazzolla

The Eight Seasons

Vivaldi The Four Seasons
Piazzolla The Four Seasons
of Buenos Aires

violin **David Le Page**
Orchestra of the Swan

In aid of
Warwickshire Music Education Trust
and St Mary's Campaign 2023



Tickets: £15 (£5 students/children)
Available from The Bridge House Theatre
Box Office: 01926 776438
www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk

