



Parish Prayers Week Commencing 13th November 2023

		Evening Prayer	Eucharist
Mon	St Mary's 8.45am St Matthew's 9am	St Matthew's 5pm	
Tues	St Mary's 8.45am St Matthew's 9am	St Mary's 5pm St Matthew's 5pm	
Wed	St Mary's 8.45am	St Mary's 5pm St Matthew's 5pm	St Matthew's 10am St Mark's 1pm
Thurs	St Mary's 8.45am St Matthew's 9am	St Matthew's 5pm	St Mary's 10.30am
Fri	St Mary's 8.45am St Matthew's 9am	St Matthew's 5pm	
Sat	St Mary's 12 noon		

Parish News

Team Prayers: Thursday 16th November, St Mark's 2pm

St Matthew's Wimbledon 'Spotlight on Social Justice' Talk: An interfaith event focussing on questions of faith and sexuality, featuring guest speakers Rabbi Adrian Schell (Wimbledon Synagogue) and Rev Dr Charlie Bell (St John the Divine Kennington). Don't miss out on this opportunity to hear from two stellar speakers in this field, and to learn about how you can make a difference so that all people - regardless of sexuality or gender identity - can feel welcomed in communities of faith. Tuesday 21st November 7pm - 8pm, followed by wine and nibbles. Tickets available at: www.faithsexuality.eventbrite.co.uk

Christian Care Executive Manager: Christian CARE Association (CCA) are recruiting an Executive Manager to oversee the day to day running of CCA. This will be its first paid employee and in the first instance a one-year contract is on offer at the rate of £24 per hour for a 21-hour week spread over 3-5 days. Closing date 23rd November 2023. Full details at: www.christiancaremerton.org.uk

Team Confirmation Service: Sunday 26th November 6.30pm at St Mary's. Do come along and support the confirmation candidates from the Team in this special service. It is lovely that Bishop Rob Gillion will be confirming 7 adults and 6 young people from the Team this year. Please remember the candidates in your prayers.

Please email parish news items by 9am Wednesday each week to sam@parishofwimbledon.org.uk



St Mark's

The Church at the Heart of Wimbledon
Sunday 12th November 2023



Welcome! Whether you are a visitor or a regular member of the congregation, we pray that you might come closer to God during the service.

Children & young people: We currently have a single group for children pre-school age and above that meets in the hall after the first hymn. We ask that children under four are accompanied. Do join us!

Parents with babies & toddlers are welcome to use the chapel at the back of the church behind the glass windows. There are toys and books provided, & a loudspeaker so you can hear what is happening during the service.

Thinking of making a donation to the church? You can give contactlessly using the card reader at the back of church, or via your mobile phone using the QR code in the Entrance Area. If you give regularly, why not join the Planned Giving Scheme? This is an easy way to give, and helps the church plan its finances. Contact Sheila Dunman: s.dunman@btinternet.com, for more information, or pick up a Planned Giving form from the back of St Mark's.

Mobile telephones: Please ensure these are turned off / silent during the service.

After the service please collect a tea, coffee or squash in the narthex (entrance hall).

Can't be here every Sunday? We can help you stay in touch with St Mark's by emailing the notice and readings sheets to you each week. Please let Becky know (office@stmarkswimbledon.org.uk) if you would like this.

Our mission statement, purpose, and reason for being here:

- To be enriched by the love of God
- To extend the welcome of God
- To express the compassion of God

Vicar: The Revd Clive Gardner 020 8944 0184 clivegardner@outlook.com

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Reader: Charles Esdale cestrongdale@gmail.com

Church Office hours: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 9.30am – 1.30pm
020 8944 8436 office@stmarkswimbledon.org.uk

Items for inclusion should reach the Church Office by Wednesday of each week.

Prayer requests - please pray for:

John Clifford
Angel
Jane Pillay
Sarah Jane Wong

RIP

Anthony Withers

If you would like to add an individual to our prayer request list, please email the Church Office or use the intercession folder at the back of the Church.

Promoting St Mark's: Could you help pop a postcard into local doors in our immediate area around St Mark's? We're trying out a promotional postcard to encourage new people to attend our church services. Lovely, fresh design by our very own Chris McTernan. If you think you might be able to help, please contact Becky in the church office:

office@stmarkswimbledon.org.uk and indicate which parts of which streets you might be able to deliver to. The more of us help out, the fewer each of us will have to deliver! *Alex Youel.*

St Mark's Church Hall: Please do remember that St Mark's has a fabulous hall to hire, and our lovely garden can be hired alongside the hall too. Members of our congregation receive a reduced rate, so if you are considering having an event, please keep us in mind! All details can be found on our website including an availability calendar: www.stmarkswimbledon.org.uk. *Becky Bryant.*

Notices

Join the Choir for the Carol Service: St Mark's annual Carol Service is fast approaching and will be on Sunday 17th December at 6.30pm. For the Carol Service, we would like to welcome anyone who wants to join the choir and perform with us, no previous singing experience required. Just join us for rehearsals on Thursday 23rd November (5pm – 6.30pm) and/or Thursday 7th December (5.30pm – 7pm) plus on the day before the service. We are looking forward to singing with you! *Anian Wiedner.*

Diocesan Newspaper: The November edition of 'The Bridge' can be downloaded: www.southwark.anglican.org/thebridge and there are paper copies in the narthex. *Clive Gardner.*

Altar Flowers: To donate towards flowers for sponsorship, the flowers cost £25 per week, part donations welcome. Please sign the list at the back of church or email Sandy at: sblewitt@email.com. Thank you! *Sandy Blewitt.*

Church Office: Please note revised Church Office opening hours for Monday 20th November only of 1pm – 4pm. Normal opening hours apply at all other times. *Becky Bryant.*

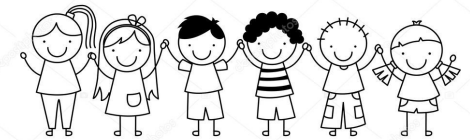
Wimbledon Foodbank Volunteers Needed: Warehouse (based at Studio 1/2, Canterbury Studios, 77a Canterbury Road, Morden, SM4 6QW), Client Team, Admin & Fundraising (based at Elim Pentecostal Church, Wimbledon, SW19 1LA), Social Media (work from home or at Elim Pentecostal Church). Further details on www.wimbledon.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/volunteer/ or email wimbledonfoodbank@gmail.com. *Becky Bryant.*

Children & Young People

Children of two and above are invited to join us in the hall after the first hymn for Sunday Club.

This term we continue to look at the Life of Jesus and in the coming weeks will also be preparing for our Christmas Nativity on Sunday 3rd December in the main service.

Beccy and Steph



Inclusive Church - Wiping Away Our Tears: A Service of Lament and Hope: Sunday 12th November, 6.30pm, St Martin-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square. On the eve of General Synod, there will be a service by and for LGBTQIA+ people, allies and all who believe in an inclusive church. This is organised by the General Synod Gender & Sexuality Group, which brings together organisations and people working to end discrimination against LGBTQIA+ people in the Church of England. After the service all are welcome for drinks in St Martin's Hall, Lower Crypt. Please register at: www.wiping-away-our-tears-tickets.eventbrite.co.uk/. *Clive Gardner.*