

St. Mary's Church, Bromley

*God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world,
but in order that the world might be saved through him*

4th Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday- Sunday 11th March 2018

Service this morning

10:30a.m. Family Service

See Separate service Sheet

Pianist: Nisha Matthews

Service this evening

6:30p.m. Holy Communion

Hymns

517 Through the night of doubt
and sorrow

549 When I survey the wondrous
cross

227 I come with joy a child of God

522 To God be the glory

Choir anthem: "Adoramus te
Christe" by Theodore Dubois
(1837– 1924, born in Rosnay,
France) (image)

Organist: Anne Clements

Next week's Services

Sunday 18th March

10.20a.m. Sunday Clubs in
Church House

10:30a.m. Family
Communion

Twinkles Time for pre-
school children during the
sermon and intercessions

6:30p.m. Evensong

People to pray for:

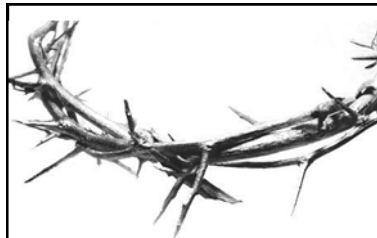
David Brown

Dennis Boyden

Beth Atkinson



Intercessors: A big thank you to the five people who have volunteered to lead us in our prayers on Sunday mornings (and a big thank you to those who continue to do it too!). Ruth will be organising 'training' for a couple of people, so it's not too late to join in if you would like to. If it's something God's nudging you towards, please have a word with Alan or Ruth.



Son of David –

Churches Together

Lent Course: Five Bible
studies on the life and
work of King Solomon.

Tuesdays 20 February to
20 March 8pm Bromley

Methodist Church College Road BR1 3NS This is
always excellent. Please do think about attending
even if you can only manage some of the evenings.

Those in need of prayer: The pew paper now includes the names of people in and around our church community, who are in particular need of prayer each week. If you would like someone's name (with their permission), or yours, to appear on the pew paper, please phone or email Ruth (020 8289 1892 or ruthmpeet@gmail.com) by 11am on Tuesday morning, each week. No details are necessary and first names only will be fine, if preferred. Names will stay on the pew paper for 4 weeks unless you ask for them to be kept on longer. Please ask Alan or Ruth if you need more information.

Knit and Natter for Charity: The next meeting of the ever-expanding Knitting circle is on Thursday 15th March at 10 a.m. in the Front Room. Come and join the fun over coffee and cake.

Bromley Homeless Starter Packs: Thank you to everyone who donated bed linen and towels for the collection. Luckily the snow had cleared enough and so all were delivered on 3rd March as planned. Ann Tree was very grateful as the scheme is now supporting over 100 families every year.

Easter Leaflets: Easter leaflets are ready for delivery around the parish and are at the back of church awaiting willing helpers. The first event on them is on Palm Sunday, so if they can be delivered this week that would be wonderful! Thank you.

Befriending for Careplus: You may know that I (Ruth) am a trustee for Careplus. Careplus is a local charity that matches volunteers with local people (mostly elderly) who need befriending, transport or small jobs done. Recently, Careplus has had difficulty finding enough volunteers; we currently have more than 10 people on the waiting list and so Careplus is asking local churches, including St. Mary's, for help. Might simply befriending someone for an hour or so a week be something you would consider? You may not be able to offer the same support as Careplus, but even a small amount of compassionate human contact can make such a difference when someone is almost totally isolated. Please let me know if you would be interested in this pastoral role. You would have support from our own pastoral team and, if you'd like it, training (in listening and other pastoral skills) is available from the diocese.

Singing Session: There will be a Singing Session on **Sunday 18th March from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.** (with tea) to introduce "Olivet to Calvary" by Maunder. A number of people have mentioned that they would like to sing with the Festival Choir but are a bit shy to come to a full rehearsal. This is your opportunity to try it out gently with no commitment. Music, refreshments and friendly faces are provided, so please come along and have a sing. The session will be led by Beverley Howard.

Come on in to Fairtrade: Fairtrade Fortnight runs from 26 February to 11 March. Why not support the farmers and workers who grow our food. There are many ways to show support for this great cause. Fairtrade opens doors to a fairer future. St. Mary's has pledged to be a Fairtrade church and will aim to use Fairtrade certified tea and coffee products wherever possible to support this cause. So next time you grab your favourite brand of tea or coffee - please spare a thought to whether it has been Fairtrade certified. Find out more ways to support at <https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/Get-Involved/Current-campaigns/Fairtrade-Fortnight>

Children's Society Box Money: It is now time for the spring box count so please give your boxes or donations to me asap. Mary Hardcastle.

Palm Sunday Evening: If you, enjoy listening to the church choir contribution, or even occasionally sing with them, please consider coming to the Pam Sunday evening Words and Music meditation. The service is similar to the Nine Lessons and Carols. The church choir has already begun practising the items – some of which are completely new – and so now is the time to get involved if you would like to sing; rehearsals are at 7.30 p.m. on Thursdays. Alternatively, please put 6.30 p.m. on Sunday 25th March in your diary. You won't want to miss it. More details to follow.

Concert at St Mary's: Following the successful launch of their debut CD, Nadia Wilson and Martin Butler are coming to St Mary's on **Saturday 24th March at 7.30 p.m.** The concert will include pieces for clarinet and piano from their CD of English music, and a number of other items, making up a very attractive programme. Admission on the door is £8 (£6), children free, and interval refreshments will be available.

Meaningful Easter Eggs available to order. Fairtrade chocolate and Easter story book included. The 2018 range includes milk chocolate egg £4, dairy free dark chocolate egg £5.60 and egg hunt box with 6 eggs £5. Please sign the order sheet at the back of church. Sample selection of this year's eggs on display at the back of church.
Please note the last date to order Easter eggs will be Sunday 18th March.

"Olivet to Calvary" Rehearsals: St Mary's Festival Choir is performing Maunder's "Olivet to Calvary" on Good Friday (30th March). This promises to be a landmark multimedia event with which you are invited to be involved, and, following the introductory session on Sunday 18th March at 2.30 p.m., full rehearsals start on Tuesday 20th March at 7.30 p.m.. Why not join in this year?"

Olivet to Calvary" St Mary's Festival Choir will perform the Easter cantata, "Olivet to Calvary" by John Henry Maunder, on **Good Friday, 30th March at 7.30 p.m.** Admission is free and there will be a retiring collection for the Church Mission Society.

Tuesday 13th March 9:30a.m. to 3:00p.m. at St Benedict's Centre West Malling All Age Worship with Rev Jane Hulme

Is it possible to create a meaningful and engaging All Age Worship Service that will enable all generations to come together to worship God? This will be explored during the All Age Worship Seminar.

Monday 19th March 9:30a.m. to 1:00p.m. at St George's Weald Space for God with Susanne Carlsson.

Prayer lies at the heart of the church and our lives and the Christian tradition offers a treasure of different ways of exploring prayer. "Pray as you can, not as you cannot"

This session will help you explore silence and how to use it for prayer.

Book either courses at www.rochester.anglican.org/content/pages/documents/1517501267.pdf or contact Val Butler at the Rochester Diocese

Celebrating Spring with **Bromley & District Floral Society**. Enjoy tea and cakes with a flower demonstration by Graham Harmer. Tuesday 20th March at St. Mary's Church, 2 pm - 4 pm. Raising funds for Chelsea Flower Show exhibit. Bring and Buy. Homemade or bought cakes. Gifts. Tickets £5 available from Anne Yolland.

Editor Details: Items for the Pew Sheet should either be telephoned 0208 466 6969 or e-mailed admin@stmarys-bromley.org.uk to the editor. Please make clear the dates of publication in the pew sheet and submit by TUESDAY 11.00a.m. Thank you.

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St. Mary's website has a link from the home page to the weekly Pew Sheet. If you are submitting an item for the Pew Sheet and would prefer that any contact details are not made available via the website, please make that clear when you submit the item.

Weekly Reminders:

The taking of photographs: We ask that you do not take photographs during our Services. Once the service has finished you may take as many photographs as you like. In keeping with our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy we ask that you keep these for personal use and do not share them on any social media sites. Thank you for helping to keep our children safe. St Mary's Safeguarding Team

After the morning service do please stay for refreshments which are served either at the back of church or in the Twinkle area (provision for families with little ones). If you are new do please introduce yourself to a sidesperson (people wearing blue badges) and they'll help you to get to know other people in the congregation.