

### NEWSLETTER

of St. Mary Bromley 28 August 2025

"But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind..."

Luke 14:13

As we turn the page on summer and begin a new season, Jesus invites us to open our hearts wider to welcome those who are often forgotten, overlooked or struggling. When we extend kindness to others, especially the vulnerable, we reflect the generous love of Christ, who always has room at His table for each of us. May God open our eyes to those in need and our hearts to welcome everyone with love. Amen 🙏

#### Sunday Club returns this week!

Sunday Club is back!

Weather permitting, we will have Garden Church on Sunday 31st August. All children and parents are welcome. We start in church at 10.30 a.m.





#### Evening Study Group – Tuesday 04 September at 7:30pm

Evening Study Group meets next face to face on Tuesday 04 September at 7.30pm.

For further details please contact Peter Boyden.

#### Grace Café

Grace Café also returns this week ... ... Wednesday 03 September @10:30

And ... The Pastoral Team will meet again for

prayer and support this week - on Tuesday 02 September.

Vicar Rev Eucharia: vicarstmarysbromley@gmail.com

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#### St Mary's Church Wednesday morning 10 am - 12 noon (not in August) Coffee & Cake **Play Area** Parents & Carers are responsible for supervising their children, including in St Mary's Church, College Road the play area Charity No. 631034 All are Welcome

#### **Sunday morning refreshments**

The Sunday morning hospitality team will continue to serve refreshments after the service. Volunteers needed. Please let Anne Yolland (anne.yolland@outlook.com) know if you feel called to help out in this ministry



#### Creation Season: 01 September - 04 October

This year's theme is **Peace with Creation**. It's a time to consider more ways of becoming an Eco Church, improving our carbon footprint.

One of our activities will involve planting and tidying in the Churchyard. During August please start collecting spring bulbs, such as ... crocus, snowdrops, English bluebells, daffodils and tulips

And plants, such as ... Lavender Hidcote, perennial salvia, nepeta, rosemary, sage, chives, sedum and cistus, ready for planting at our Churchyard morning on 06 September from 10-12 noon where we will be making a peace garden, enjoying some refreshments and craft activities together.

Our second event is on 01 October after school about 3pm until 5pm with craft activities and refreshments for children and refreshments for adults too!

We need help with both days. Please let Alison Tyler know if you can help, especially if you have experience of working and making with children. Alison can be contacted on 07973 457226 or via Rev Eucharia.

**Deanery Confirmation Service, Sunday 7th September at 4.00 pm** Christ Church, Chislehurst, 40 Lubbock Road, Chislehurst, BR7 5JJ

Please pray for Sonny and Molly, and all the confirmation candidates as they prepare for their confirmation on Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at Christ Church, Chislehurst at 4.00 pm. All are welcome to come and support them.



#### Quiet day at St Mary's, Bromley

# QUIET DAY St Mary's Church Bromley

"Taking Time Out to reflect on our need of God for Healing, Wholeness and Holiness"

Saturday 13th September 2025 9.30 am to 3.00 pm

Led by Paul Stevens

The Quiet Day will take place in church and include times for creative activity, quiet and solitary reflection

"To have needs is to be human, to need God is to be holy"

To book your place please contact **Rev Eucharia at** vicarstmarysbromley@gmail.com or 07917 169972

Light refreshments included

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## Ride and Stride and London Open House Saturday 13 September.

Once again, St Mary's will be taking part in Ride & Stride an event organised by the Friends of Kent Churches, raising funds for essential maintenance projects.

This is their special 40th anniversary year and your support is welcome ...



Saturday, September 13, 2025

Firstly, you can sponsor 2 church members who plan to be visiting churches down in Kent this year. Secondly, are you able to do some church visiting and get sponsorship? The churches can be local in Bromley or Bexley or further afield in Kent. It's an interesting experience. St Mary's keeps half of all monies raised and in 2022 they awarded us a generous grant.

More details available from Chris Soper <a href="mailto:cmm">cmsoper10@gmail.com</a> or speak to her in church. Full details are on <a href="mailto:www.kentrideandstride.co.uk">www.kentrideandstride.co.uk</a>.

St Mary's is listed be open on Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> Sept. 10.00 am to 4.00 pm and Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> September 2025: 10 00am to 12.00 noon. We need volunteers to be on duty on to welcome our visitors. A volunteers' sign-up sheet is at the back of the church. If you are able to help, please sign up as many or little hours as you feel able to do. Please contact John Beale, *johns.beale@yahoo.co.uk*, for more details.

#### Save the Date(s)! Cream Tea

Save the date! We're planning our next Cream Tea afternoon for Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September in church, 2.30 pm – 5 pm.

More details to follow.



St Francis' Day



In commemoration of **St Francis' Day, on 04 October, the SE London Third Order Franciscans** are meeting at **St. Mary's Church from 10:30 – 15:30** to celebrate his life and work. **All are invited** to join the celebrations, ending with a Eucharist. If you would like to come ... just arrive with a packed lunch! Tea, coffee, and soft drinks, will be provided throughout the day.

If you would like something to be included in the St Mary's Newsletter, please send your requests to <a href="Mewsletter.StMarys@outlook.com">Newsletter.StMarys@outlook.com</a>. I look forward to hearing from you!

And ... if you would like to receive the Newsletter each week, please complete the request form found on the table, at the back of the church.

#### Worship, Prayer and Fellowship Prayer

God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen



#### **Requests for Prayer**

Weekly	Monthly Week 4
John C, Olive, Richard (Barbara's	Merle
cousin), Andrew, Patricia, Stuart	Julian and Kerrie
(Sylvia's family member), Pam, Pat,	
Chris S, The Harney family, Luci, Alison	
F (Sarah B's friend), The family and	
friends of John H (Monica's brother),	
Kay (Merle's sister) Family and friends	
of Stephen D.	

### At our 10.30am – Family Communion, Sunday 31 August 2025 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Readings	Hymns
Jeremiah 2.4-13	292a Lead kindly light: Roger
<b>Hebrews</b> 13.1-8,15,16	<b>191</b> Hail the days that see him rise. <b>Babara</b>
Luke 14.1,7-14	<b>490.</b> The Lord's my shepherd. (tune) Brother
	Jame Air. Paddy
	246 In heav'nly love abiding Margaret

Our services on Sundays are Live Streamed. See <a href="https://www.facebook.com/stmarysbromley">https://www.facebook.com/stmarysbromley</a>