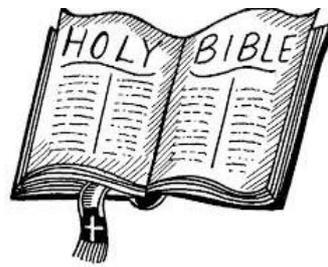


of St. Mary Bromley

Jesus said 'Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.'

Matthew 24.34,35



The wonderful words that open John's Gospel declare 'In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God...' Jesus is this Word of God and his words are truly divine. He speaks of them being eternal and will not pass away. Our faith is found in the words of the Bible and they nourish us each day. In our 10.30am service on Sunday we will think about the place of the Bible in our lives. What words of Jesus mean the most to you?

Sunday Clubs



We're on Half Term holiday this Sunday.

Please make use of the toys, books, story bags and activity sheets.

Poverty and Hope Appeal



In October we invite our congregation to contribute to the Diocesan Poverty and Hope Appeal. There are collecting envelopes available. There is a summary in the October Magazine and more full details on the Diocesan website.

<https://www.rochester.anglican.org/everyday-faith/ourfaithinaction/poverty-and-hope-appeal/>

Deanery Confirmation

There will be a service of Confirmation Confirmation at St John's Park Road Bromley on Sunday 29th October at 6.30pm. This will be conducted by Bishop Jonathan Gibbs. St. Mary's does not have any candidates to present but the congregation is welcome to attend and support local people who will be.

All Souls' Service



This will be held on Sunday 29th October at 3.30 p.m. It is a service where we remember those whom we have loved but are now sadly separated from by death. If you would like to make a specific act of remembrance please bring a card with the name of the person on and if you like a flower to present. There is also a sheet to add names to in the church. To know more please speak

with Alan Keeler or Anthia Page.

Free Books



There is a small book case in the church building with a wide variety of items of Christian interest. Please have a look and take what catches your fancy. If you would like some guidance Alan will be happy to make suggestions. The book case will be there until the end of October

Murals Fundraising Update – Good news continues.

Members of the congregation continue to donate generously. We hope to raise as much as possible before the end of December to benefit from a match funding offer.

Contact Alan Keeler or John Beale if you want to know more.

The Meaningful Advent Calendars



These will be available to order again this year. Please sign the form at the back of church or contact Anne Yolland on anne.yolland@outlook.com Each calendar comes with a free Christmas Story book. Cost: £4.50. These advent calendars are not available in supermarkets. Please place an order by the 19th November.

Refreshments Rota



Many thanks to all who willingly and regularly serve refreshments on a Sunday morning after the service. If you would like to volunteer to help, please have a word with Anne Yolland.

Grace Café



We meet in the church building on Wednesdays between 10am to 12noon for coffee, cake and fellowship. You will be most welcome to join the volunteers who host the Grace Cafe. There is a sign up sheet in the church if you would like to help.

Nature's Palette Flower show – Saturday 28th October, 1.30pm - 4.30pm



Bromley Flower Club are holding their annual show in the United Reformed Church, Widmore Road, Bromley. In addition to the beautiful exhibits, there will be various stalls, a raffle, bottle stall and more. The Tea room will be open from 2 pm. Admission £2.00. All welcome.

Table Top Sale – 2pm to 4pm Saturday 4th November



HELP needed please eg:

- 1) kind people to make a cake to be on sale in the refreshment area
- 2) offers of help to Anne Yolland with serving or washing up.
- 3) Also needed are some extra hands to set up tables and put them away at the end.
- 4) Someone to act as doorman and direct vendors to their allocated table.
- 5) There will be a wide variety of items on sale, please come and support our fundraising contact Carole of any offers 07950 102584

Jigsaw Sale – 10.00am to noon on Saturday 18th November, in the church porch



With refreshments in the back of church and paperback books outside of the porch All proceeds to the mural fund. Mary already has many jigsaws; more will be welcomed.

Thanks for your interest. Mary Fall (020 8464 1239) mary@fallfamily.co.uk

Memorial Book

There is a memorial book at St. Mary's in which may be inscribed names of people associated with this place. If you would like to know more details please contact Alan or Jean Read on 020 8402 0886.

Prayer

A Prayer for the week

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,
we may embrace and forever hold fast
the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

Requests for prayer Weekly

Daisy Batt
Friend of Alison Tyler
David Collins
Eileen White's brother
Geoff Lloyd

Monthly Week 3

Julian and Kerrie Henwood
Gary Hughes
Gemma Johnson
relative of Anthia Page

Worship, Prayer and Fellowship

Our service on Sundays are Live Streamed. See <https://www.facebook.com/stmarysbromley/>

At our 10.30am Family Communion on 22nd October:

Reading	Nehemiah 8.1-4a, 8-12, Colossians 3.12-17, Matthew 24.30-35
Hymns	337 Morning has broken
	334 May the mind of Christ my saviour
	227 I come with joy, a child of God
	317 Lord the light of your love is shining

The Order of Service: <https://www.stmarys-bromley.org.uk/lockdown/st-marys-worship>

Please can contributions for the Newsletter be given to Alan Keeler by noon on Wednesdays.