

NEWS LETTER

of St. Mary Bromley

30th May 2024

The Lord called Samuel a third time, and Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, Here I am; you called me. Then Eli realised that the Lord was calling the boy. So Eli told Samuel, Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.

Samuel 3: 8-9

To be called by the Lord, is a powerful moment, a challenge for each one of us. Therefore, if you feel called, just simply answer Speak Lord, I am listening, lead me I will follow.

Sunday Club



Weather permitting, we will have Garden Church on Sunday 2nd June. All children and parents are welcome. We start in church at 10.30 a.m.

Mothers' Union



Mothers' Union would like to thank all the helpers (about 30!) who made last Saturday's Plant Sale such a success, raising over £1000 for the project **AWAY FROM IT ALL**. And, of course, thank you to all who came to buy plants and enjoy the refreshment room. This money will be used immediately to provide much appreciated holidays for families who have hit hard times and desperately need a break.

Great North Swim



Emily Yolland is once again in training to take up the challenge of swimming a mile in Windermere on 8th June. This time Emily will be raising funds for Bromley Little Theatre, who are endeavouring to raise £85,000 by the end of this year for a major re-development project. If you would like to support Emily in her efforts to raise her target of £850 please go to her fundraising page at <https://www.justgiving.com/page/emily-yolland-greatnorthswim24> or use the QR code on the poster at the back of church or speak to Anne Yolland for further details.

'The big lunch'



Sunday 2nd June is 'The big lunch' a national initiative to bring communities together. College road neighbours are coming together for lunch together in the church yard, each bringing a picnic. Please do join us if you can after the morning service. Come along with something to eat and drink and a mat or chair to sit on. The more the merrier

Christ Church, Sidcup

Christ Church, Sidcup is holding an "Old Testament in a Nutshell", walk through the Bible day on Saturday 1st June, 10 – 4.30pm, cost £14 per person, free for 11 – 17s. Although the event is for 11+, there will be a provision for children under 11 of parents participating in the event. For more details and to book your place go to - Coming Up — Christ Church Sidcup

Churchyard Gardening



It's that time of year again and we need a couple of working groups so can you offer to help and suggest possible dates to Clem or Maria or Alison and then we can plan to have one or two working groups? Many thanks from us all.

Grace Café



You are most welcome to join us between 10am to 12noon on Wednesdays. Please join the volunteers who host the Grace Café on Wednesdays. There is a sign-up sheet in the church. In case you haven't done it before, you will be with someone who has, so please join them and try it out.

Refreshments Rota

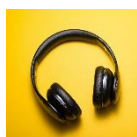


Many thanks to all who willingly and regularly serve refreshments on a Sunday morning after the service.

June Magazine

The latest edition of the parish magazine will be available in church and on the website this weekend.

Live Streaming



"Worship at St Mary's is live streamed and can be watched via Facebook. This is much appreciated by those who cannot be at the services, and we would like to continue to offer this to our fellow members of our congregation. If you would like to help us with this, please contact Trine, Sally, Alison or Paddy."

Prayer

A Prayer for the week

God of truth,
help us to keep your law of love
and to walk in ways of wisdom,
that we may find true life
in Jesus Christ your Son. Amen

Requests for Prayer

Weekly

Merle Jones
Rosemary Cubberley
Nigel Benjamin
(Lisa Morris's
brother)

Monthly Week 1

Roger and Grace Charsley
Sarah Evans' parents
Daisy Batt
Friend of Alison Tyler
David Collins
Eileen White's brother
John Cox

Pray Daily for a New Vicar

Loving God,
we ask you to be present with the St Mary's family
as we wait and pray for a new vicar.

You know those things that we need to encourage us in our faith; and you know too the person we need to teach us and lead us, before we can even form the thought to ask you.

Whilst we wait keep us patient, wise and united,
working together for the good of our community.

Build us up into a flourishing and inclusive part of Christ's body of love and service, make us ready to welcome

and to work with the one you send.

We offer our prayer in the name of Jesus our friend and brother. **Amen.**

We thought possibly we could undertake to pray in our own homes or offices, either early in the morning or sometime between 5-6 so we did not have to struggle to meet together but would instead be together in heart and mind.



If you have a need for prayer for particular things, please contact the Pastoral Team via Anthia Page email anthiapage@gmail.com.

Worship, Prayer and Fellowship

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

At our 10.30am Family Communion – 2nd June 2024 – 1st Sunday after Trinity

Readings 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20); 2 Corinthians 4:5-12; Mark 2:23- ch.3:6

Hymns 432 Rejoice the Lord is king
 129 Fill thou my life
 153 Give me joy
 139 For the healing of the nations

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

*Please can contributions for the Newsletter now be given to Atlanta Topham by noon on Wednesdays
Atlanta's email is admin@stmarys-bromley.org.uk*