

NEWS LETTER

of St. Mary Bromley

31st October 2024

**And a voice came from heaven,
'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased'**

Mark1:11

Sometimes we need certainty just for reassurance and our reading of the baptism of Jesus gives us just that, the voice of God from heaven confirming Jesus as his son, the beloved.

Each of us in our own baptism, is signed with the cross and confirmed as God's child infinitely loved and welcomed into the company of saints, and the family of the Church.

So we Welcome Milan who will be baptised today as our newest sister, thank you for coming and for bringing some of your family and friends with you, you are all most welcome.

Sunday Club



All children and parents are welcome to join us for the Sunday Club session on Sunday 3rd November 2024. We start in church at 10.30 a.m.

Our Welcome to Eucharria

This is the last week we have left to prepare our welcome for Eucharria and her family, so bring gifts, and cards and come and clean the church and churchyard on Saturday 2nd November. From 10.00 a.m. You know you want to!and there will be cake, coffee and tea etc.



To The Induction and Collation Service of
Reverend Eucharria Ifeoma Asiegbu
As Vicar of St Mary's Church, Plaistow , Bromley
by Bishop Simon Burton-Jones

WEDNESDAY 6TH NOVEMBER 2024

19:00

Churchyard Gardening – Saturday 2nd November



2nd November is our last chance to clean and tidy the Church and Churchyard, and to 'plant' the poppies for Remembrance Sunday, before Rev'd Eucharria's licensing service on 6th November.

All Saints Day Service – Sunday 3rd November, 10.30am

On 3rd November during our All Saints Day service we will welcome Milan into the St Mary's community and into the Church of God as our youngest sister in faith. So please pray for Milan and her parents and God parents.

All Souls Service – Sunday 3rd November, 3.30pm

Please bring a single flower for the procession in memory of your loved ones (there may be spares if you forget). Please note that this is the last week to add names to the list for the Service.

Flower arranging – Wednesday 6th November

During Grace Café on the morning of 6th November, there will be an opportunity to help with some floral table arrangements for Eucharist's evening's reception over in Church House. If you would like to be involved with this, please see Anne Yolland. Coffee and cake will be available from 10 am – 12 noon!

Mothers Union – Thursday 14th November, 10.00am (Front Room of Church House).



We are holding a morning of playing QWIRKLE. If you have never played this before, come and find out how easy and how much fun it is to play. All welcome, including non- members.

Welcare in Bromley, Service of Thanksgiving – Friday 15th November 2024, 11.30am



You are warmly invited to join us for a Service of Thanksgiving with the Choir of Parish Primary School at Bromley Parish Church, St Peter and St Paul Church Road, Bromley BR2 0EG (behind Primark). Everyone is welcome to stay for a light buffet lunch afterward. For more information call Welcare on 020 7820 7910 or email info@welcare.org.

Christmas Fair - Saturday 30th November, 2pm



Please bring any non-perishable items they would like to donate from Sunday 27th October to the box at the back of church. Any baked items for the day eg mince pies and cakes for the raffle to please be brought on the day and for bakers to liaise with Anne Yolland about what they would like to provide. Should you have any questions please speak to the church wardens.

Calling all bakers!



We are in need of some cakes and mince pies for the 30th November. If you can help us by baking a cake or some mince pies, please can you sign the sheet at the back of church or let Anne Yolland know.

Happy Birthday Anthia



who had a significant birthday at the weekend and will bring cake to share on 10th November after the Service.

Chair fit for a bishop.



In preparation for Eucharist's licensing, the bishops chairs were given an inspection and unfortunately the cushions were very moth eaten and beyond repair. Thank you to the member of st Mary's who kindly sponsored their replacement and to the church cushion company who swiftly made them to order ready for the 6th. Do go and have a look and a seat if you get a chance (up by the high altar).

We have lots of other smaller budget jobs and items that are on our wish list, if you are inspired to sponsor something, please see one of the church wardens who can discuss options with you.

Bromley Home Starter Packs

Bromley Home Starter Packs help with basic items for homeless people and victims of violence who are being rehoused by the Council. They are currently short of the following which need to be in good, clean and usable condition:- mugs, tea towels, towels and duvet and sheet sets (all bed sizes). These can be taken to Bromley Parish Church (behind Primark) **on Saturday 2nd November between 10am- 12.15pm.**

The Real Advent Calendar



A new design for 2024, Fairtrade milk chocolate, palm oil free, charitable donation, 24-page Christmas story-activity book. A line of the story behind each window. £5.50. These calendars are not available to buy in supermarkets. Available to order, please use the sign-up form at the back of church or contact Anne Yolland.

Grace Café



You are most welcome to join us between 10am to 12noon on Wednesdays.

Prayer

A Prayer for the week

God of holiness,
your glory is proclaimed in every age:
as we rejoice in the faith of your saints,
inspire us to follow their example
with boldness and joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Requests for Prayer

Weekly

Olive
Richard
(Barbara B cousin)
Andrew
Carolyn
(friend of Alison)
Anthia
Patricia
Kellie
(friend of Carole)
Debi and her family
Laura and her family

Monthly Week 1

Roger and Grace
(Sarah E parents)
Daisy
(Friend of Alison)
David
(Eileen W brother)
John Cox



If you have a need for prayer for 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 (with Baptism) – 3rd November 2024 – 4th before Advent

Readings	Jonah 3: 1-10; Mark1:14-11.
Hymns	134 “For all the saints”
	532 “We have a gospel to proclaim”
	133 “Firmly I believe and Truly” (v1-3 and then after the peace v 1 ,4, & 5)
	188 “Guide me O thou great Redeemer”

At our 3.30pm – All Souls Service – 3rd November 2024

Readings	Romans 5: 5-11; John 5:19-25.
Hymns	475 The day thou gravest
	501 There’s a wideness in God’s mercy
	490 The Lord’s my shepherd
Anthem	'Sanctus' from Faure's Requiem

Hymn and Readings Rota

Please give your availability to Atlanta for reading and leading Intercessions, so we can fill in the Rota with confidence.

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*