

NEWS LETTER

of St. Mary Bromley

6th February 2025

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

One of the most joyful things about the journey of faith is or are the companions on the way, inspired and led by the Holy Spirit, who add richness and variety to our experiences. No one of us, individual or group, has all the gifts or insights needed to bring in the Kingdom of God, we all need each other from our different denominations, tribes and nations to show forth God's glory in all its fullness, and to serve the common good for all God's people. Enjoy!!

Sunday Club



It's an All Age Family Communion service on Sunday 9th February at 10.30 a.m. All families welcome.

Sine Nomine Singers – Saturday 8th February, 7.30pm

A celebration of music and poetry inspired by Scotland. St George's Church Bickley BR1 2BE. Ticket on the door - £15.00 (£5 Students and Job Seekers).

Jewellery Sale - Sunday 9th and 16th February



St Mary's has been given some jewellery items to sell to raise money so this will be on display at the back of church after church on 9th and 16th February. If you would like to offer a donation for any of the items, please feel free to leave in the collection box on the table. Perhaps you might find something to gift for Valentine's?! If you have any jewellery you would like to add to the collection, please do bring along on either day,

Evening Study Group – Tuesday 11th February, 8pm – 9pm



Evening Study Group will continue its discussions of poems from *The heart's time, a poem a day for Lent and Easter*, by Janet Morley on Tuesday 11 February, 8-9pm via Zoom. For further details and joining instructions please contact Peter Boyden.

John Edmonds – Committal Service and Memorial Service – Monday 17th February

John Edmonds short committal service will be held at Hither Green Crematorium by Rev Alan Keeler at 13.30pm. Family and friends are welcome.

A Memorial Service will take place in St Mary's Church at 2.15pm conducted by Rev Alan Keeler. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments after the church service.

Both services will take place on Monday 17th February 2025.

Mural Restoration Thankgiving Service – Sunday 2nd March, 10.30am – 2.30pm



Celebrate the finished mural restoration. More details to follow.

Lent Study Group – Thursday 6th March – 10th April.

There will be a lent study group on Thursdays: March: 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th, and April: 3rd and 10th. More details will follow in due course.

Lent Quiet Day – Tuesday 25th March, 9.30am to 3.00pm

Please save the date for our Lent Quiet Day. This will take place on **Tuesday, March 25th at Church. Time: 9.30 am to 3.00 pm.** All are welcome but we need to know how many people that will attend for catering purposes. Please let Eucharia, Alison or Maria know if you will like to attend.

Churches Together in Central Bromley Lent Course 2025 – Tuesday 11th – 8th April



Six reflections on the Women in Jesus' Family Tree. Tuesdays 7.45pm – 9.30 at St Peter and St Paul's Church, Bromley, BR2 0EG. Admission free. All welcome.

Preparation of a new Electoral Roll

Under the Church Representation Rules, a new Church Electoral Roll is being prepared. Every person who wishes to have his or her name entered on the new Roll, whether it is entered on the present Roll or not, is requested to apply for enrolment. More details to follow.

Intercessions List



If you aren't already on the St Mary's Intercessions List and would like to be please let Frances Boyden know as soon as possible as new one is in preparation. Not sure if you are on it? If you have been contacted by a member of the Pastoral Team asking if there is anything you would like prayed for then you are on the list as this is the one they use. Copies will be available at the back of church if you would like one for your private prayers.

Food Bank



Please remember that Bromley Food Bank and the Starter Packs Project at Sts Peter and Paul (the Parish Church) are always in need of supplies.

Easter Eggs



The new 2025 edition is available, and the 'Real Easter Egg' is the only fairtrade one with the Easter story in the box. The milk chocolate and dark chocolate eggs are also plastic and palm oil free. The milk chocolate egg is available at £6.20, and the dark chocolate egg is £7. These eggs are no longer available in supermarkets. To obtain one of these eggs, please sign the sheet at the back of church or contact Anne Yolland. Please order early as supplies may be limited due to a climate-related global cocoa shortage.

Grace Café



We meet in the church building on Wednesdays between 10am to 12 noon 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.

Prayer

A Prayer for the week

Eternal Lord,
our beginning and our end:
bring us with the whole creation
to your glory, hidden through past ages
and made known
in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Requests for Prayer Weekly

The family and friends
of John E
John C
Olive
Richard
(Barbara B cousin)
Andrew
Patricia
Bridget
(friend of Lynda)
Tony
John S
Luci
Stuart (Sylvia's family
member)
The family and friends
of Tom
Pam

Monthly Week 2

Shelagh
Richard



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 – All Age Family Communion – 9th February 2025

Readings Luke 5.1-11.

Hymns 317 Lord the light of your love
464 Take my life
372 O Jesus I have promised
27 Amazing grace

Hymns and Readings Rota

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

Please can contributions for the Newsletter now be given to Atlanta Topham by 5pm on a Tuesday