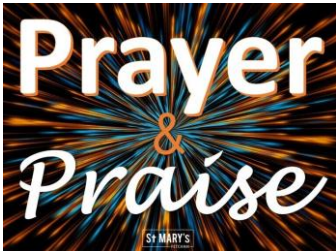


BULLETIN

Issued: 17 November 2023

The Vacancy: We're delighted that there are four short-listed candidates interested in coming to St Mary's. They will be with us on Monday, 27th November as part of the discernment process. They'll be meeting key people from our church family, taking a tour round the parish and rectory and going into FVIS and Oakfield Junior School. Formal interviews will take place the following day, 28th November.



Prayer & Praise – Tues 28 Nov, 8.45am: The search for a new rector is getting exciting now. Do come and join us in the Lady Chapel while the interviews are taking place when we will pray that God will use the five members of the selection committee to be a channel for His purposes.

Who Let The Dads Out?! - Sat 18 Nov, 9.30-11:30am: You are welcome to come along to this men's monthly, Saturday morning opportunity to enjoy bacon sandwiches, fresh coffee and a chance to chat. They meet on the 3rd Saturday of each month in the church hall and you are welcome with or without young people. This is the last one in 2023 and the next WLTD0 will be on Sat 19 Jan 2024. No need to book, just turn up. The team looks forward to seeing you there - all welcome!

Christmas Craft evening – Fri 24 Nov, 7.30pm: Numbers are restricted so don't forget to book your place at this popular evening. There will be Christmas crafts to try and gifts to make - all materials and guidance provided. Also, mulled punch, tea, coffee and festive nibbles! We ask for a suggested donation of £8 to cover expenses. Any remaining balance will be donated to the charities St Mary's supports at Christmas. To sign up click [here](#). We look forward to seeing you there.



Thursday Coffee Shop – term time, 9.00 - 10:30am: We would love to see more customers at this community coffee shop. The Village Hall has plenty of parking and the coffee shop has everything you would expect from the Monday Community Coffee shop. Bring friends and neighbours for a cuppa and chat! We now also have the **Toy Library** taking memberships which enables you to borrow toys and return them so the children have something new to play with, but without the expense or clutter.

Resources Preparation for Christmas – Thurs 24 Nov and 7 Dec, 10-11am: The Children's and Families Team would really appreciate some help and support with Christmas craft preparations. All resources will be provided as well as some refreshments. Please come to the Community Coffee Shop at Fetcham Village Hall.

Rectory Garden Working Party – Sat 25 Nov, 10am-12:30pm: Many hands make light work! Please help us tidy the rectory garden so it's ready for spring maintenance and a new resident. Half-time refreshments provided (please alert us if any allergies). BYO gloves, sturdy footwear and bucket/trug if possible. All welcome.

Rectory Cleaning – Sat 25 Nov, 10am-12:30pm: At the same time as the garden working party we'll be cleaning the Rectory ready for the candidates to look round on the 27th Nov. If you can help, please contact Corinne, 800885 or 07710 260882. Thanks!

Afternoon tea - Sat 25 Nov, 3-4:30pm: Don't forget to book! To prevent excess of food prep, please book your place on our Afternoon Teas. You can do that by signing up [here](#) or contacting the Parish Office on 01372 375000 or office@stmarysfetcham.org.uk.

Help to move the Crib into Church – Fri 1 Dec, 10:30am. If you are feeling fit and able, please help the Families Team move the Crib from the shed into church ready for the Christingle Service and the schools' Christmas service visits.

Repair Café: Momentum is gathering for this new community project. A wonderful 40+ volunteers from Fetcham and neighbouring communities met to discuss the next stage of the planning and practical expectations. It's not too late to join the Repair Cafe team. You can complete this [form](#) or speak to Julie Partridge or Richard Furze about how to get involved. The project plans to open its doors to the public in early 2024.

Homemade Stall – Sun 3 Dec, 10.40-11.30am: The Homemade Stall and Second-hand Book Stall will have lots of lovely goodies to eat and also presents for Christmas. Do come along and take a look. We would be very grateful for donations of your home-baking, Christmas planters, Christmas crafts, cards and other gifts. Without your contributions, the Homemade Stall cannot function!

Donations for Tea after the Christingle Service – Sun 3 Dec, 4pm: We would be extremely grateful for any food donations for the thoroughly enjoyable social after the Christingle service. Could you please help with sandwiches, sausage rolls, crisps, vegetable sticks, cakes, etc. Please join down what you can donate on the clipboard in church or complete this [online form](#)

Candlelit Carol Service - Sun 10 Dec, 6:30pm: Do come and invite all your friends and neighbours! After the service we offer mulled wine and mince pies. Please could you pop an extra box of mince pies in your shopping trolley for donation. If you would like to help serve refreshments in the hall after the service please get in touch with Corinne, 800885 or 07710 260882. Thanks in anticipation!

Charity Carol Service – Thurs 14 Dec, 6:30pm – This year we are delighted to be supporting the local charity Sight for Surrey at this Carol Service. The Bishop of Dorking, The Right Reverend Paul Davies has kindly agreed to join us and will be giving the address. Fetcham Park House warmly welcome you to join them for refreshments afterwards.

Church Closing around 3pm: During the darker evenings the volunteers who are locking the church will be doing so nearer 3pm, before dusk.

Join the kitchen team for Messy Church: The team is looking for anyone who could help with the refreshments and washing up on the 2nd Friday of each month. Please contact hannah@stmarysfetcham.org.uk

Children and Family Team News

Our termly newsletter about what's going on!

[Click here](#)



Foodbank would like to give all their clients who visit us in December a bag filled with Christmas goodies. Details below, please help if you can.

Tinned ham, packet stuffing, Yorkshire pudding mix, Christmas cake, Christmas selection boxes, savoury Christmas snacks, Yule logs, Christmas sweets, chocolate tubs, Christmas biscuits, custard, mince pies (not containing alcohol).



If you would prefer to donate money you can give [here](#) or directly into their bank account (CAF Bank - Epsom & Ewell Foodbank, sort code 40 52 40, account number 00034980. Please reference your donation 'for Christmas').

St Mary's has collected food donations for the local Foodbank for many years. They are also grateful for donations of:

Washing up liquid, male deodorant, hair conditioner, tampons, baby shampoo / wash

Also in great need of bags for life / strong shopper bags

Donations are taken directly to the Leatherhead hub regularly.

<https://stmarysfetcham.org.uk/connect-us/mission-charitable-links/>

Prayers

We welcome you to join us at St Mary's for:

Monday Morning Prayers : 8:00-8:30am

Private Prayer in Church : Monday to Saturday 9am -3pm

We pray for our Church Family as we continue in our time of vacancy.

We continue to pray for those who are unwell: Matthew Aldrich, Fay Burroughs, Vera Cameron, John Cooper, Anais Featherstone, Barbara Grant, Dean Hammond, Elaine Mead and Gillian Mills.

The funeral of Rosemary Nohl's will take place on Tue 21 Nov, 1.30pm at St Mary's followed by refreshments in the church hall.

CHRISTMAS GIFT APPEAL

St Mary's

CHILDREN'S PRESENTS

for families of CAP
(Christians Against Poverty)
up to age 17

THE MEETING ROOM

Clients from their
lunch clubs



VULNERABLE TEENAGERS

through Surrey
County Council

SAINSBURYS OR TESCO GIFT CARDS

for B@titude Leatherhead

DONATION BOX IN CHURCH HALL

leave unwrapped,
by Thurs 7 Dec

see website for more
details or pick up a letter,
no alcohol please.

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And those in residential care: Sheila Bramwell, Jill Gray and June Williams. **2023 Christmas Gift Appeal:**

For several years we have distributed Christmas presents for good local causes. Once again we will be delighted to accept any new presents that you might wish to give for some of Surrey's most needy individuals. Sorry but we are not able to accept nearly-new gifts. We have confirmation that four local charities and good causes would again love to receive some gifts. Details can be picked up in the church hall where you'll find the donation box, or our [mission and charitable links page](#) on the website.

Church Christmas Card: Why worry about which of your St Mary's friends you should send a card to? Why not sign the St Mary's Church Family Christmas Card? Featured is Byron, an apprentice mechanic from Nairobi's slums. St Mary's is the main contributor to the Apprenticeship Scheme run by Centre for Urban Mission. We want everyone at St Mary's to sign the card. Purely voluntary is that you can put in a few pounds to help fund more apprentices and the Homework Clubs in Kibera and other Nairobi slums. Thank you.

Golf Day – Thurs 25 July 2024: We are now taking bookings for the St Mary's golf day, at The Drift in East Horsley again, with tees from 2pm and Dinner 7pm. More details can be found [here](#). If you have any questions please contact Brian Egles via office@stmarysfetcham.org.uk

Sunday Services

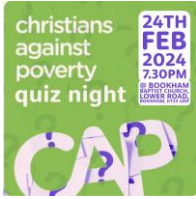
8am Communion Service : said Book of Common Prayer

9:30am Communion Service : sung Common Worship

11:15am Worship Service : informal with worship band

Also, 10am Thursday : Communion Service (monthly 3rd Thursday)

Other news



Nepal Leprosy Trust coffee morning and sale - Sat 25 Nov, 10.30am–12.30pm: Come along to Eastwick Road Church for a fundraising morning with Christmas batik cards, coffee/tea and cake available.

Quiz Night – 24 Feb 2024, 7:30pm: Christians Against Poverty are hosting a quiz night at Bookham Baptist Church.

New Wine Evening – Fri 1 Dec, 8pm at St Paul’s Howell Hill: Join them for a good time of worship, a talk from Paul Harcourt and response.

Vacancy - Gardening and General Maintenance Assistant at Fetcham Park House required to provide general building maintenance and additional gardening services to a Grade II* listed building with extensive grounds and a car park. There will be some lifting with stairs involved. 2 days per week with some weekend work – good rates of pay. Duties to include: Mow, trim and fertilise lawns, mulch, edge and weed gardens, prune and trim bushes, maintain gardening equipment and machinery, for example mowers, trimmers and leaf blowers, notify the House Team of any equipment that is not in good working order, monitor and maintain the health of plants, deal with pest problems, keep lawns and grounds clear of debris and litter, basic support and maintenance of the House in an emergency and furniture reinstatement post events. Please telephone Kate on 01372 371004.

Identifying Deepdene Man: We have been contacted by Locate International, a UK charity reviewing and investigating unsolved cases involving missing people or unidentified remains at no cost to the police or families. This is in relation to a case of unidentified skeletal remains which were found in Deepdene woods in Dorking in April 1990. An appeal to the public has been launched to help identify him. You can read the appeal [here](#) or watch the appeal video [here](#). If you, or anyone you know, has information to share, please contact them through [their website](#) anonymously, or at appeals@locate.international. It may only take a small piece of information to solve this case.



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Christmas Services

- Sun 3 Dec** Christingle 4pm
Fri 8 Dec Messy Church 3.30pm
Sun 10 Dec Candlelit Carol Service 6.30pm
Thurs 14 Dec Charity Carol Service 6.30pm
Sun 17 Dec Carols in The Bell Pub 6pm
Sun 24 Dec Crib Service 4pm
Midnight Service 11.15pm
Mon 25 Dec Christmas Celebration 10am
Sun 31 Dec Communion Service Unsung 9.30am



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Diary Dates

Fri 17 Nov – Fundraiser Morning for CUM (Footprints/Life Group) 10-11:30am
Sat 18 Nov – Who Let The Dads Out?, 9-11:30am
Sat 25 Nov – Rectory Garden Working Party, 10-12:30
Sat 25 Nov – Rectory Cleaning, 10-12:30
Sat 25 Nov – Afternoon Tea, 3-4:30pm
Mon 27 Nov – Day 1 of Interview process for our new Rector
Tues 28 Nov – Formal Interviews for our new Rector
Tues 28 Nov – Prayer and Praise, 8.45am
Sun 3 Dec – Homemade Stall and Second-hand Books morning
Wed 6 Dec – Bereavement Café, 10:00 – 11.30am
Fri 14 Dec – Messy Church, 3:30-5:30pm
Mon 18 Dec – Youth Christmas Party
Thurs 21 Dec – Thursday 10am Communion & Christmas lunch (prebook)
18-25 Jan 2024 – Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Thurs 25 July 2024, 2pm – St Mary's Golf Day – contact Brian Egles

Weekly Regulars

Monday – Community Fridge 10-11am (not open on Bank Holidays)
Monday – Community Coffee Shop 10-11.30am (not open on Bank Holidays)

Running in Term Time

Monday - The Drop-In (School Yrs 7-13) 4-5.30pm
Tuesday – Youth Night (School Yrs 7-13) 7.30-9pm
Thursday – Community Coffee Stop @ Fetcham Village Hall 9-11am
Friday - Footprints Baby & Toddlers 10-11.30am
Friday – Messy Church (all the family) 2nd of the month 3.30-5.30pm
Sunday – Activ8 for under 11s and Sunday Youth for 11+ during 11.15 service

Keep up to date with St Marys:

Website: www.stmarysfetcham.org.uk
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/stmaryschurchfetcham/>
Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/stmarysfetcham/>
Twitter: <https://twitter.com/StMarysFetcham>
My ChurchSuite: [Log in](#)

Hearing Aid Supplies: contact Jacky on 01372 602092 or family.breadmore@gmail.com

Recycling – Milk Bottle Tops only - Please do not leave plastic bags or crisp packets to be recycled. The people who used to collect them stopped taking at the start of Covid.

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