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CHURCH SERVICES

Do join us!

This **Sunday, 28 April**, Eucharists will be celebrated at **8 am** and **9.30 am**. Following the 9.30 service we shall also be holding our **Annual Meeting** when we shall be electing our new Church Wardens and members of the Deanery Synod and the Parochial Church Council. Next to our worship this is the most important time we meet together as God's people at St Mary's so everyone on the Electoral Roll (Membership List) of the church is encouraged to attend.

On **Wednesday 1 May** Holy Eucharist will be celebrated in church at **10 am** on the feast of SS Philip and James.

Next **Sunday 5 May** the **Parish Eucharist** will be celebrated at **9.30 am**.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING – SUNDAY 28 APRIL

As noted above, St Mary's Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) and the Election of Churchwardens and PCC Members will take place on Sunday 28 April in the church after the 9.30 am Eucharist. All members of the congregation on the Electoral Roll are very welcome to attend and participate in our APCM. We will start the meeting around 15 minutes after the end of the 9.30 service; please feel free to go over to the church hall for a coffee before the meeting.

Papers for the meeting are available on our website <https://www.stmarytwick.org.uk/pccnotices> . A small number of paper copies will also be available from the back of the church from 14 April. We hope you will be able to join us.

Clarinda Chan, PCC Secretary pcc.secretary@stmarytwick.org.uk

DAVID GOODE PIANO RECITAL – 6 PM SUNDAY 5 MAY

We are delighted to welcome internationally acclaimed pianist David Goode back to St Mary's at 6 pm on Sunday 5 May. Entrance is free to all, with a retiring collection in aid of St Mary's Church. Refreshments will be available at the performance.

Programme:

Prelude and Fugue in F minor (Bk 2) BWV 881 - J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Sonata in E flat Op. 31 no. 3 - Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

Slow Dance (from *Two Folk Dances*) - Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Little Suite (2024) - David Goode (b. 1971) (Prelude – Lullaby – Toccata)

Rigoletto de Verdi – Paraphrase de Concert - Franz Liszt (1811-1886)

FUNDRAISE FOR CHRISTIAN AID AND KEEP FIT

As part of Christian Aid week we are being challenged to walk, run, cycle or swim 70km in May to raise funds for the poorest of the world's inhabitants.

To take part, please visit <https://fundraise.christianaid.org.uk.>70k-in-may>. Part of this could be to participate in the 10 km Christian Aid's London Freedom Walk on 11 May, visiting some of London's historic churches and starting at 12.30 at All Hallows by the Tower in Byward St. EC3R 5BJ.

I hope to accept the challenge and if anyone would like to sponsor me for £1 that would be very welcome. My fundraising page is at fundraise.christianaid.org.uk/envelope-2024/sophys-70k or you can let me know in church or by email sophiaifisher@aol.com

THANK YOU FOR CHRISTIAN AID

Thank you very much to all who gave so generously to Christian Aid on 7 April. Altogether we collected the magnificent sum of £472.55. If the £26 raised by gift aid is added to this, it amounts to almost £500. Many more opportunities to help in May – see above!

Christian Aid aims to bring an end to poverty. Working with partners in 37 countries, it brings practical relief to refugees in the Ukraine, in Turkey and Syria following the earthquake there and now runs a community kitchen in North Gaza. It also works to help people learn how to adapt to threats such as those posed by climate change, choosing drought-resistant crops and forming cooperatives to market their produce. In the forthcoming Christian Aid Week, 12-18 May, the focus will be on Alina, who lives in Burundi and was rescued from a life on the streets and helped to form a Village Savings and Loans Association. She was able to buy a goat, a bicycle and a solar panel and run a successful business.

SAVE THE DATE - WALSHINGHAM MORNING AND LUNCH - ST. MARY'S CHURCH - SATURDAY 18 MAY

On Saturday 18 May in the church there will be a lovely insight into what happens during a Pilgrimage to the beautiful village of Little Walsingham in North Norfolk. This will include the Stations of the Cross and Holy Communion and will be followed by a bring and share lunch. Details to follow but please all do join us ...

During the service we shall also be offering prayers for Lesley Prior who died recently. She was a Walsingham pilgrim who served St Mary's for many years as Church Warden, Lent Group leader and Governor and Trustee of St Mary's School.

TEA @ 2.30. ST MARY'S CHURCH – 1 MAY

Would you like to meet for a cup of tea or coffee and have a chat with some old friends and meet some new ones? Do join us in St Mary's Church Vestry, once a fortnight, on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month between 2.30 and 4 pm. Our next meetings are on 1 and 15 May.

NOTES ON A GREEN THEME

The monthly alert from A Rocha for the month of MAY.

Say no to the mow. Mowing your lawn less and letting parts grow long saves you time and helps give nature a home. If you want to make an even bigger impact on wildlife, wait to mow your lawn or a section of it until August to support even more animals. Contribute to citizen science and get to know what (and who!) lives in your church's green space - sign up to take part in Churches Count on Nature (8-16 June 2024) at <https://www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk/love-your-burial-ground-week-national-cemeteries-week-and-churches-count-on-nature/>

Why do we need No Mow May?

According to Plantlife, which is the wild plant conservation charity, we've lost approximately 97% of flower-rich meadows since the 1930's and with them gone are vital food needed by pollinators, like bees and butterflies.

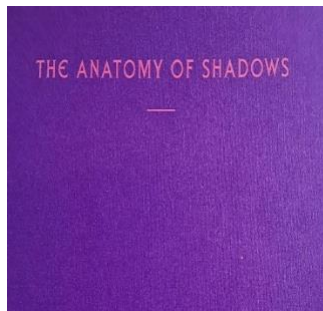
But your lawn can help! A healthy lawn with some long grass and wildflowers benefits wildlife, tackles pollution and can even lock away carbon below ground. With over 20 million gardens in the UK, even the smallest grassy patches add up to a significant proportion of our land which, if managed properly, can deliver enormous gains for nature, communities and the climate.

This is why Plantlife calls for people to get involved with #NoMowMay every year, and let wild plants get a head start on the summer.

Best of all, to reap these benefits all you have to do is not mow your lawn in May and beyond!

THE ANATOMY OF SHADOWS – PANDEMIC PASTORAL LETTERS

The Pastoral Letters which Fr. Jeff sent out to us during lockdown, complete with a selection of photographs and a Foreword by Bishop +Graham Tomlin, our last Bishop of Kensington, are not just for Christmas, nor just for the extraordinary times of the pandemic. They can help prayer and reflection through a new year of recollection and looking forward and you may find your friends also find these thoughts helpful. They are still available on Sundays after church at a cost of £15 (in cash please).

The image shows the cover of a book titled 'THE ANATOMY OF SHADOWS'. The cover is a solid, deep purple color. The title is printed in a light, pinkish-purple, sans-serif font at the top. Below the title, there is a small, thin horizontal line. The overall design is minimalist and elegant.

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ST JAMES' CHURCH 46 ST JAMES'S ROAD, HAMPTON HILL



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ST MARY'S MINNOWS – MONDAY MORNINGS

The Minnows group for parents and carers of children aged 0-4 will meet again in the church on Monday mornings until the end of the summer term on 15 July. Shut for bank holidays and half-term on 6 May, 27 May and 3 June

Please join us for a relaxed time chatting over refreshments, with playtime and singing. All are welcome so do encourage partners / grandparents / other carers to come along if your little one spends Mondays with them. No booking required!

Do contact Sarah Waller on minnows@stmarytwick.org.uk if you have any questions. We hope to see you there!

ST MARY'S MINNOWS

For parents and carers
with 0-4 year olds

St Mary's Church, Twickenham
9.30 - 11.15 Mondays in term-time
(dates at www.stmarytwick.org.uk)

Join us for a relaxed time chatting over refreshments, with playtime, singing and thought for the week

£3 suggested donation per family, inc refreshments

Contact minnows@stmarytwick.org.uk



KNITTING GROUP – FRIENDS OF FAITH

We are a multi-faith, ecumenical local group knitting to provide clothes and blankets for babies, children, homeless and elderly people. Last year we gave items both to local charities and those in Ukraine. In 2024, we shall meet from 10.30-12.30 on the third Saturday of each month in St Mary's church hall - so our next meeting will be on 18 May.

New knitters are very warmly welcomed and if you have some balls of wool that you can donate, we can turn them into items that are urgently needed, locally and internationally! You can give them to one of our knitters, bring them to a monthly meeting or drop them into our 'wool donations' box inside St Mary's church. For more details do get in touch with our organiser, Lynda Imir, by emailing knitting@stmarytwick.org.uk

A QUICK WAY TO GIVE TO ST MARY'S

You can give to St Mary's online at [Give to St Mary's Twickenham](https://www.give.org.uk/give-to-st-marys-twickenham). Or if you use this QR Code with the camera of your smartphone, it will take you to the St Mary's donation page. It is another way of giving money to St Mary's for the Offertory Collection or indeed making a donation at any time. The main purpose is to give our visitors and parishioners another way to donate should they wish to do so.



To submit a Notice, please send your text and any related image by email to notices@stmarytwick.org.uk The deadline for submission is close of business on Wednesday for inclusion, if approved, in the Weekly Parish Notices issued on Friday.