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CHURCH SERVICES
Do join us!

Good Friday 29 March: Walk of Witness 9 am from outside Arthur's café on Twickenham Green, meeting other local churches and Christian denominations to make our way along Heath Road and down Wharf Lane to the Diamond Jubilee Gardens where a short service will be held. Anyone wishing to join us at the Jubilee Gardens should arrive by 9.20 am. Bring crosses if you would like to.

Meditations at the Foot of the Cross, 12 noon-2.30 pm. Liturgy of Good Friday 2.30 pm.

Holy Saturday 30 March: We pray our departed loved ones, who are buried in our **Memorial Garden**, into the death and resurrection of Christ. Please congregate in the Garden by **3 pm**.

EASTER DAY 31 March: FESTIVAL EUCHARIST 9.30 am (Please remember that the clocks go forward on Easter Day)

Wednesday 3 April: 10 am the **Holy Eucharist** will be celebrated in church.

Sunday 7 April: EUCHARISTS will be celebrated at **8 am** and **9.30 am**. At the 9.30 am service there will be a presentation by a speaker **from the Christian Aid charity**.

At 5.30 pm there will be a **Togetherness Concert**, please see separate notice.

Wednesday 10 April, the church will be open for **prayer** from **10 am until 10.30 am**.

Sunday 14 April: The **Parish EUCHARIST** will be celebrated at **9.30 am**. There will be a collection in the hall after the service for **MENGO HOSPITAL, UGANDA**. Please give generously to a worthwhile cause.

Wednesday 17 April, the church will be open for **prayer** from **10 am until 10.30 am**.

Sunday 21 April: Good Shepherd Sunday. The **Parish Eucharist** will be celebrated at **9.30 am**.

8 AM EUCHARIST.

As you may know, for those who prefer to worship quietly at 8 am, we have been celebrating the Eucharist on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. As March has 5 Sundays in the month and we are not able to have an 8 am service on 14 April, there will instead be an 8 am Eucharist on Sunday 7 April.

TEA @ 2.30. ST MARY'S CHURCH – NO MEETING ON 3 APRIL

There will be **NO MEETING ON 3 APRIL** as the "Julias" are both away then. We continue as usual with meetings on 17 April and 1 and 15 May when you can 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.

ST. MARY'S GROUP THURSDAY 4 APRIL

Please take the bus (R70) to Kew Retail Park on Thursday 4 April, if you would like to visit the free exhibition on Great Escapes at the National Archives. Meet at the entrance to the exhibition at 3 p.m. Any queries to Sophy 020 8941 1772.

Please note that exceptionally for the month of April we shall not be hosting COFFEE on 7 April but on 14 April.

PASTRIES FOR CHRISTIAN AID – 7 APRIL

On Sunday 7 April. April Joseph Vambe will tell us about the work of Christian Aid at the 9.30 service and the Ecumenical Group will be offering pastries in the hall afterwards for a suggested donation of £5 per adult (accompanied children eat free.) There will also be an opportunity to contribute cash to this charity even for those not wishing to participate in the pastries.

SPOTLIGHT ON CHRISTIAN AID

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. To donate or to take part in fundraising challenges, such as walking, running, cycling or swimming 70k in May, please visit <https://fundraise.christianaid.org.uk>

OFF THE RECORD – TEA PARTY FOR POTENTIAL VOLUNTEERS – FRIDAY 12 APRIL 3.30 PM

Off The Record Twickenham is looking for volunteers to help out at fundraising events this summer

Off The Record and Age UK Richmond are holding a tea party at which guests will learn about Off The Record's work counselling local young people and the different ways you could be involved over the summer months.

Friday 12 April from 3.30 to 5.00pm at Twickenham Well-being Centre, 104 Aragon Road - entry is on the other side of the church hall from our usual way in.

You are welcome to bring a friend to meet the *Friends of Off The Record*. Please could you email admin@otrtwickenham.com so that they can ensure there is enough tea and homemade cakes for everyone.

BELLRINGING PRACTICE

Bell ringing practice is on Wednesdays 7.30-9.30 pm. Contact the Tower Captain, Liz Sephton, for more information, liz.sephton@icloud.com.

NOTES ON A GREEN THEME

Just to say thank you for all your contributions. Please keep them coming by sending them to me Liz Webborn on lizskiv@hotmail.com or by writing your ideas or eco tips down and dropping them into the basket at the back of church.

Best wishes to you all for a joyful Easter.

As we approach the start of a new month and season here is the calendar note from A Rocha.

APRIL Fit more active travel into your day and daily routine. Re-evaluate your journeys: explore walking or cycling options, or modify your route to include some form of active travel, e.g. disembark a stop early and complete the remaining part of your journey on foot, indulge in a leisurely stroll, or opt for a bike ride along a cyclist-friendly route. Consider connecting with your local Ramblers or cycling group for shared experiences. Use the extra steps or the changed travel arrangements as a prompt to pray for God's creation, nature's preservation and the reduction in fossil fuel usage

Visit <https://arocha.org.uk/wild-christian/> for more eco tips

White Company Thrift Bag scheme

Great ideas seem to be popping up all over the place these days. I was browsing in a White Company store recently and discovered their Thrift Bag scheme.

They say; "We're committed to a better future – two of our five ethical pillars are leveraging longer life and changing behaviours – so partnering with Thrift+ is the next step in our promise to do better and work towards greater sustainability. Thrift+ aims to create a circular model for the future of clothes, while raising important funds for charity and allowing you to earn credits which can be spent on second-hand fashion, donated to your favourite charity or redeemed on vouchers with top fashion brands.

How it works

1. Pick up a Thrift+ Bag from your local The White Company store, or [add to your order online](#).
2. Fill the bag with your best second-hand clothes.
3. Select a free returns service to return your Thrift+ Bag.

Thrift+ process, photograph and upload your clothes, and do their best to sell them for a good price. Every time something sells, you'll raise funds for your favourite charity and earn credits to spend on vouchers, or second-hand fashion.

This wonderful scheme has raised £1.5 million for charity, given 350,000 items a second life and processed 35,000 new items every month.

What should I donate? They accept pre-owned women's and men's clothing, shoes and accessories from brands in the following categories:

Luxury: such as Gucci, Chloe, Saint Laurent, Stella McCartney and many more. They can accept minor defects for these items to sell.

Premium: such as The White Company, Whistles, COS, Hobbs, John Lewis. These must be in good condition to sell.

High Street: such as ASOS, Boden, H&M and Zara. These must be in excellent condition to sell.

Please note they do not accept baby items, childrenswear, underwear, swimwear or home items.

Spread the word!

RICHMOND LIGHT ORCHESTRA SPRING CONCERT – SATURDAY 6 APRIL 7.30 PM

Join the 60-piece Richmond Light Orchestra at St Mary's for an evening showcasing the best science fiction TV and movie soundtracks. Featuring music from **DOCTOR WHO • BACK TO THE FUTURE • STAR TREK • GHOSTBUSTERS • STAR WARS • THE X FILES • FLASH GORDON • E.T. • WAR OF THE WORLDS • THUNDERBIRDS** and more!

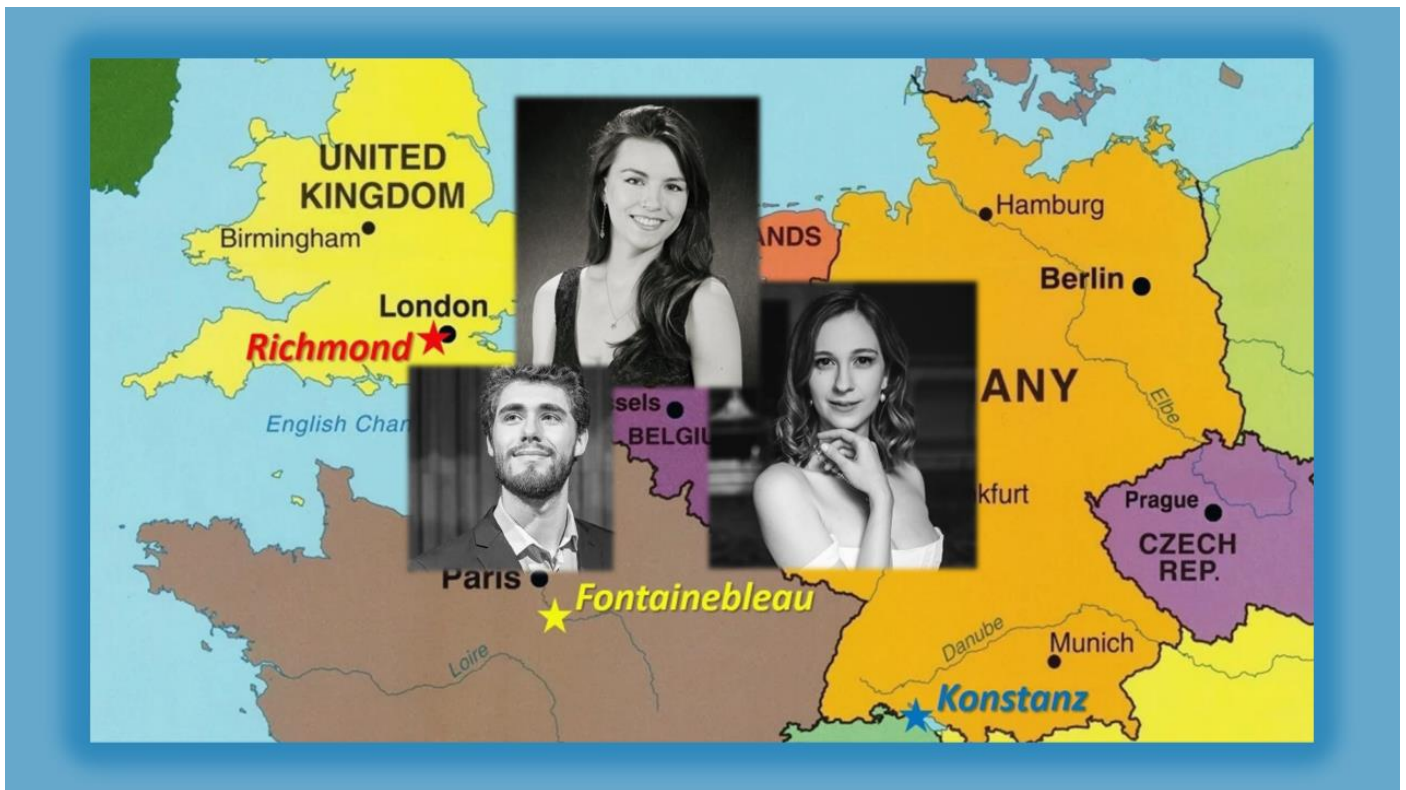
For more information and to book tickets please visit www.richmondlightorchestra.com
Supporting the Motor Neurone Disease Association



TOGETHERNESS CONCERT - SUNDAY 7 APRIL 5.30 PM

International soloists Regina Gossel, Clara Orif & Minette Gillow, accompanied by pianist Jack Redman, perform songs and arias reflecting the power of music to bring communities together. This musical soiree with musicians from the Royal Academy of Music is hosted by the Mayor, Cllr Suzette Nicholson and the Richmond in Europe Association in aid of the Mayor of Richmond's charities. Admission £15 adults. Free for those aged 18 or under. Refreshments will be served in the interval.

Tickets can be obtained at <https://www2.richmond.gov.uk/richmondbookings/Details.aspx?id=370>



KETTNER CONCERT – CHOPIN POET OF THE PIANO – SATURDAY 13 APRIL 6 PM

Tickets available at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/chopin-poet-of-the-piano-petar-dimov-tickets-861181616397?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>



 <http://www.kettnerconcerts.co.uk>
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Petar Dimov
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Saturday, 13 April 6 PM



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Fr. Chopin: 24 Preludes op. 28
Fr. Chopin: Piano Sonata no. 2 in Bb minor op. 35 "Funeral March"

Embark on a transcendental musical journey as the virtuoso Bulgarian pianist, Petar Dimov, graces the stage of the enchanting St Mary's Church in Twickenham during an unforgettable piano recital. Participate in an evening of musical intimacy as Petar Dimov brings to life the timeless works of Frédéric Chopin.

Tickets: £15
(£10 for students and under 18s)
kettnerconcerts.co.uk
Book tickets on Eventbrite or scan the code on the right



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Church Street
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The Kettner Society is a registered charity no. 1163105
for enquiries: kettnerconcerts@gmail.com

CONCORDIA VOICES CONCERT – SATURDAY 20 APRIL 7.30 PM

Concordia Voices presents *Inspired by Dance* at 7:30 pm on Saturday 20 April at St Mary's Church. We hope you will enjoy our unusual programme, which will feature Palmeri's *Misatango* (the familiar words of the mass set to tango music); two of Conte's Mexican Folksongs to continue the Latin American theme; Whitacre's *Hebrew Love Songs*; and Telemann's *Jehovam Omnes Gentes*. We will be accompanied by a string quartet and an accordion, as well as a piano.

Tickets are £13:00 in advance from a choir member or from <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/concordiavoices> (plus booking fee), or £15:00 at the door. Further details are available at <https://www.concordiavoices.com>



Inspired by Dance

Palmeri: Misatango
Conte: Mexican folk songs
Telemann: Jehovan omnes gentes
Whitacre: Hebrew love songs

With string quartet, accordion and piano
Conductor: Jack Apperley

Saturday 20th April, 2024
at 7.30pm
St Mary's Church
Twickenham,, TW1 3NJ

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KINGSTON CHAMBER ORCHESTRA CONCERT SUPPORTING CROSSLIGHT – SUNDAY 28 APRIL 3 PM
ST JAMES' CHURCH 46 ST JAMES'S ROAD, HAMPTON HILL



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ST MARY'S MINNOWS – MONDAY MORNINGS FROM 22 APRIL

The Minnows group for parents and carers of children aged 0-4 will meet again in the church on Monday 22 April at 9.30. Dates for the summer term are 22 April to 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



ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING – SUNDAY 28 APRIL

Please remember that we will be holding our Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Sunday 28th April when we will be electing Church Wardens and members of the PCC and Deanery Synod.

FOOD BANK – CURRENT NEEDS

The following items are in short supply at the Vineyard Food Bank and would be very gratefully received:
Tinned meat, Fruit juices and squashes, tinned vegetables, shaving foam, washing up liquid, sanitary towels/pads, deodorants, washing capsules.

KNITTING GROUP – FRIENDS OF FAITH – 20 APRIL 10.30 AM

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 20 April.

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

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 ANATOMY OF SHADOWS

A QUICK WAY TO GIVE TO ST MARY'S

You can give to St Mary's online at [Give to St Mary's 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 normal deadline for submission is close of business on Wednesday for inclusion, if approved, in the Weekly Parish Notices issued on Friday. Please note that the next set of notices will be produced for 19 April so that notices for that issue should be with us by close of business on Wednesday 17 April.