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#### CHURCH SERVICES

This **Sunday, 25 February**, Eucharists will be celebrated at **8 am** and **9.30 am**. The Gospel will be Mark Chapter 8 verses 31 to end.

On **Wednesday 28 February** the Eucharist will be celebrated at **10 am**. On **Friday 1 March** St Mary's hosts the **Women's World Day of Prayer** at **10.30 am**.

Next Sunday, 3 March, is the Third Sunday in Lent. Eucharists will be celebrated at 8 am and at 9.30am. The Gospel reading will be John Chapter 2 verses 13 -22.

**Do join us!**

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#### CHURCH LIBRARY AND SUMMER FAIR MEETING

The library will be open in the church hall for half an hour after the 9.30 service on Sunday 25 February. Please come and browse or borrow, or both. We have a wide variety of recent publications and several attractive picture books which are ideal for children.

No meeting on the Summer Fair (as previously advertised) this Sunday. Watch this space for the future!

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#### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER – FRIDAY 1 MARCH

This year the Twickenham Area churches are holding the service here in **St Mary's** at **10.30am**.

The service this year has been prepared by the Christian women of **PALESTINE** and is an opportunity for us to worship with people all around the world on the same day, and also to meet other people from local churches.

This service was planned years ago and written during the pandemic. The subject of 'I beg of you, bear with one another in love' is so very relevant. Do please come here and help me welcome people from across this area. Please stay for the fellowship and refreshments afterwards as well. Julie Hall

(NB the Hampton area World Day of Prayer service will take place at Hampton Methodist Church, Percy Rd at 2pm that day)

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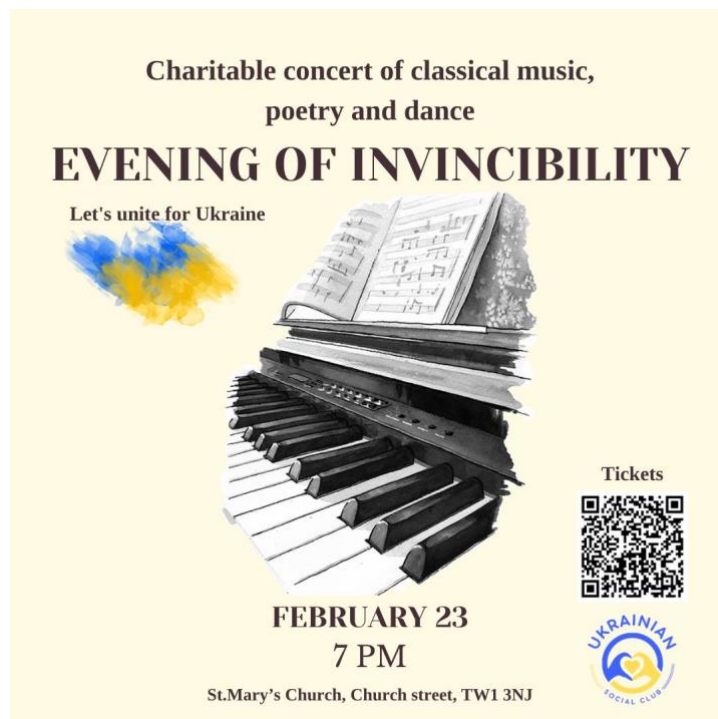
### UNITE FOR UKRAINE – CONCERT 23 FEBRUARY 7 PM

On Friday, 23 February at 7 pm there will be a charitable evening of classical music, poetry and dance at the “Evening of Invincibility” in the church. The evening will mark the second anniversary of the full-scale war in Ukraine.

Undoubtedly a difficult time for many, we join together in solidarity and compassion to commemorate and support who need it most. Let us join together on this day and unite through art, music and humanness.

The programme encompasses some favourite classical pieces by F. Chopin, J. S. Bach, as well as Ukrainian classic composers, M. Lysenko, V. Barvinsky and S. Hulak-Artemovsky. Skilled and talented Ukrainian musicians will perform, including soloists of the Royal Opera House “Songs for Ukraine”. The evening will feature an anthology of modern Ukrainian poetry, performed in English and Ukrainian, as well as a soloist performance from the “Stefania” dance ensemble.

Tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/evening-of-invincibility-tickets-814524834707?aff=oddtcreator>



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### LENT CALLS! DISCUSSION EVENINGS CONTINUE - MONDAY 26 FEBRUARY 7.30 PM

This Lent you have the opportunity to come along to church at 7.30 pm each Monday, when we will be holding our Lent discussion groups. In the scriptures many significant events happen on hilltops: the receiving of the Ten Commandments, the giving of the Beatitudes, the Transfiguration, the Crucifixion and the Ascension. These pinnacle moments of God's revelation of who He is calls us to travel to such places in our prayer, there to encounter what He would have us know about who He is and how He would have us live.

Even if you have never come to one of these before, please come along. We start with an introductory talk, then we split into groups where you can just listen or take part, we then break for refreshments after which we come back to share our thoughts and conclude with a short time of prayer. It would be marvellous to see you there!

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## SPOTLIGHT ON CROSSLIGHT

Twickenham Money Advice Service (TWMAS), about which we heard in church on 18 February, is an independent charity, relying on funding from local partners to work in partnership with Crosslight Advice to give free advice on debt and managing money to anyone struggling to pay bills and feed their families. They run money courses in local churches and their work has brought huge benefit and reassurance to those with whom they have worked. Your support financially, as volunteers, referring people and making use of their advice is really valuable as we heard in church last Sunday. You can give, and find out more, at <https://www.crosslightadvice.org/twmas>

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## MAIASTRA CONCERT – SATURDAY 24 FEBRUARY 7.30 PM

The supremely talented young musicians of Maiastra present two great piano quartets, led by multi-international award winner and Maiastra Course Director, violinist Akiko Ono.

### Programme

Mozart - Piano Quartet in Eb major, K. 493

Chausson - Piano Quartet in A major, Op. 30

**Free tickets / donations welcome** – To book your place please [CLICK HERE](#)

Walk-ins are accepted on the night, however booking is advised.

Wine and soft drinks will be served before the performance and during the interval.

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## NOTES ON A GREEN THEME

Have you heard about The Library of Things situated at the co-working space Patch in York Street?

Library of Things, which has 16 other locations across London, works like a library, but instead of books, residents can rent out over 30 useful household items like drills, carpet cleaners, hedge trimmers, sound systems and sewing machines for as little as a few pounds a day.

The idea of this social enterprise is to help people save money and reduce waste by sharing common items that they may only use every so often, rather than buying new.

The pricing seems to be very user friendly; for example, to hire a cordless drill from another local commercial hire shop would cost about £26 per day. A similar item from the Library of Things costs a mere £6 per day.

Residents can reserve items online and collect from self-service lockers in Patch's ground floor.

CLLr Julia Neden-Watts, Chair of the Environment, Sustainability, Culture and Sports Committee, said, as well as acknowledging that the Library will be a great way to save money and reduce waste locally "As continue forward with our ambitious plans to become a Net Zero Borough by 2043, we are committed to providing residents with community resources, like Library of Things, that are needed to support sustainable and cost effective habit changes that can help us reduce our carbon footprint.

Read what else she says on the Twickenham Nub and check out <https://www.libraryofthings.co.uk>

News of more initiatives like this would be great to share so if you have any such articles please send them to me on [lizskiv@hotmail.com](mailto:lizskiv@hotmail.com)

Thank you

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## MARBLE HILL SINGERS – A LENTEN SEQUENCE - SUNDAY 17 MARCH 6 PM

On Sunday 17 March at 6 pm The Marble Hill Singers – conductor Rebecca Taylor – lead a Lenten Sequence of music and readings for Passiontide. Their programme will include music by Bruckner, Tavener, Barber and Séverac. Entry is Free to all, with a retiring collection.

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## WEST LONDON CHAMBER CHOIR CONCERT – SUNDAY 24 MARCH 7 PM

West London Chamber Choir presents *A Night at the Movies* at 7.00 pm on Sunday 24 March at St Mary's Church. Enjoy a diverse range of choral arrangements of iconic film music by composers to include Orff, Delibes, Jenkins, Barber, Mozart and Barber. Enjoy visual stills from Excalibur, Avatar, Platoon, Little Women, Shawshank Redemption and more, together with free popcorn! Tickets £12.50 (+bkg fee) from <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/west-london-chamber-choir> or visit [westlondonchamberchoir.com](http://westlondonchamberchoir.com) for further details.

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## ST MARY'S MINNOWS – MONDAY MORNINGS

Now that half term is over the Minnows group for parents and carers of children aged 0-4 will meet in the church every Monday to 18 March.

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](mailto:minnows@stmarytwick.org.uk) if you have any questions. We hope to see you there!



**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](http://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](mailto:minnows@stmarytwick.org.uk)**



## KNITTING GROUP – FRIENDS OF FAITH – 17 FEBRUARY 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 16 March.

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](mailto:knitting@stmarytwick.org.uk)

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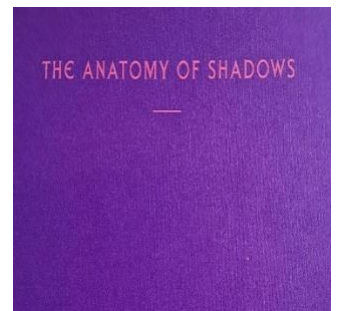
## TEA @ 2.30. ST MARY'S CHURCH

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. The next dates will be 6 and 20 March.

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## 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).



## 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.



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To submit a Notice, please send your text and any related image by email to [notices@stmarytwick.org.uk](mailto: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. Please note that all notices for the Easter holiday period of 29 March to 12 April should be with us by close of business on Wednesday 27 March.