



EWELL PARISH NEWS



The monthly newspaper of St Mary the Virgin Ewell

No. 553

February 2019

60p

Sharing the Love of Christ, the Light of the World, with the people of Ewell

St Mary's Concert Programme 2019

- 9 March Jonathan Holmes, Organ Recital to celebrate the return of our Father Willis organ
- 13 April Simon Gregory Organ Film Night
- 4 May Jonathan Holmes 'Northern Lights' Recital
- 1 June Jonathan & Sarah Holmes, Simon Gregory & Matthew Burgess present 'Eight Hands on Two Pianos'
- 20 July Visiting Celebrity Recitalist (TBC)
- 7 Sept Jonathan Holmes St Mary's Patronal Festival Recital
- 5 Oct Duruflé Requiem sung by The Parish Choir with 'on the day' singers from local choirs

CONTENTS

The Vicar writes2, 3 & 4
In and around our parish....4



Suggested prayers.....5
Fun Day Wednesday.....5
Lent course.....6
World Day of Prayer.....6
Norman Hale obituary.....7
From the Parish Registers..8



Pastoral assistants in training.....8
Money matters - financial summary for 2019.....8
Children's pages.....9 & 10
Bereavement Café.....11
Calendar for February.....12
Coffee Mornings.....12
Choir at Wells Cathedral...12
St Mary's decorated for Christmas.....12

COPY FOR THE NEXT EDITION: Please email EPN copy to: epn@stmarysewell.com. Handwritten or typed copy will only be accepted by prior agreement (call 020 8393 4804). Please do not embed photos in WORD files, but send the images separately. Copy date for the March edition is noon on Monday 11 February.

The Vicar writes

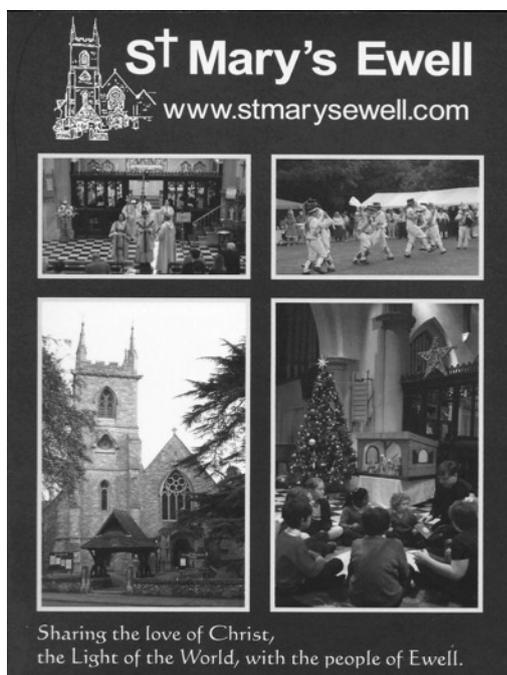
I have a strange feeling of déjà vu. In last month's EPN column, I wrote, "I am writing the day before the parliamentary vote on the EU withdrawal agreement". As I write now, it is again the day before the parliamentary vote on the EU withdrawal agreement! This perhaps shows the futility of trying to predict the future, even to what is happening tomorrow. Nevertheless, it seems a good idea to share some of the plans and points of discussion which I presented in January at the whole-church meeting "A New Year for St Mary's". No, we can't predict the future, but it is still important to have a vision. Scripture tells us, "where there is no vision the people perish."

As the pages of EPN make clear, every month and every week many different groups and activities take place as part of the life of St Mary's. We can do all this thanks to the prayer, presence, and gifts of time and money given by so many people. Our very full programme, will, I hope, continue in the year ahead. I have spent the next few paragraphs focussing on the projects planned for the year ahead.

These projects will be funded by legacies, grant-making bodies, or special funds such as the organ fund. The planned giving which church members give regularly is used not for these projects but goes towards our running costs. Our policy is that significant legacies left to us with no specific instruction are used 25% for day-to-day running costs, and 75% for projects such as much-needed improvements, major essential repairs, or expansion to our ministry.

Highlights for the year ahead include:

Welcome Pack: We have launched a pack full of information about St Mary's and what we do. It is especially aimed at newcomers but should be of interest to all. Please pick up a pack in church, or contact the office and we will arrange to have one delivered to you.



St Mary the Virgin EWELL PARISH CHURCH 020 8393 2643

Website: www.stmarysewell.com

Registered Charity Number 1128409

CLERGY

Vicar: The Reverend Russell Dewhurst MPhys BTh LL.M.; 020 8393 1297; Email: vicar@stmarysewell.com

Assistant Priest: The Reverend Sue Ayling OBE DipCivil Law BA(Hons)Rel&Th; 020 8337 6347; Email: assistantpriest@stmarysewell.com

Honorary Assistant Priest: The Reverend Dr Patrick Miller MA PhD; Email: assistantpriest1@stmarysewell.com

READER

Mrs Wendy Varney 020 8393 5212

CHURCHWARDENS

Mrs Valerie Wood 020 8393 5991

Mr Nicholas Allsopp 07899 818400

Pastoral Assistant

Mrs Wendy Paxman 020 8224 2851

Publicity and Social Media Officer

Mrs Kalli Pasqualucci Email: publicity@stmarysewell.com

SUNDAY AT ST MARY'S

0800 HOLY COMMUNION

0930 SUNG EUCHARIST

The Sunday School meets in conjunction with this service in term time. There is coffee in the church hall between the 9.30 and 11 o'clock services on Sunday mornings, to which all are welcome, and especially newcomers and visitors.

LATE MORNING SERVICE varies by Sunday in the month

The usual pattern is our all-age **Praise@11** on the first Sunday at 11am; 11.15am **Choral Mattins** on the second Sunday; 11am **Toddle Up**, a short and very informal service for toddlers and their families on the third Sunday; and 11.15am **Morning Prayer with Holy Baptism** on the fourth Sunday. The pattern changes on special occasions: see the calendar on the back page for details of this month.

1700 Second Sunday of the month ALL-IN An inclusive all-age service with something for everyone. Followed at 6pm-6:45pm by Club Sandwich, a youth group for 7-11s.

1730 Once a month CHORAL EVENSONG Just like a cathedral Evensong in our own parish church. Usually the third Sunday but see the calendar on the back page for details.

Occasionally there are variations from this pattern; details are given in this paper, on the Notice Board or in the Weekly Notes available on Sundays.

ON WEEKDAYS

Morning prayer is *usually* said at 9 am Tuesdays, in church. See the Weekly Notes or phone ahead to make sure. The Eucharist is celebrated on Tuesdays at 10 am, at the Side Chapel.

THE PARISH OFFICE

Administrator:

Mrs Lynne Yuille 020 8393 2643 (Office)

Office email: parishoffice@stmarysewell.com

St Mary's Church is in London Road, Ewell, and the Parish Office is on the south side of the church.

The Office hours are normally 9.30-12.00 Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri, but please check before visiting as appointments are usually needed.

The postal address is:

St Mary's Ewell Parish Church, London Rd, Ewell, Surrey, KT17 2AY.

**HANDMADE
PICTURE FRAMES**

All Frames -
made in Our Studio
Free local collection
& Delivery



**With this
voucher**

M: 07748 712133
25 The Headway
Ewell Village
www.handmadepictureframes.

**St Mary's
Toddler
Groups**

Monday afternoon and
Thursday mornings
during term time in the
church hall.

For more information:

Tel. 020 8393 4804

**CAFE
NESCOT**

On Tuesdays in
term time, students
from NESCOT are
serving simple lunch-
es in our church hall
(London Rd, opposite
the church) between
12 and 2pm.

Soup, sandwiches,
salad, and cakes,
with tea, coffee, and
soft drinks.

Everyone welcome!

Organ: Repairs to the Father Willis organ are underway and we hope it will be restored to working order in March.

Church toilets: Our plans were recommended by the Diocesan Advisory Committee and we await formal faculty approval, and are going out for tender for this work. We hope to build the loos in the months ahead, and having just welcomed over 3000 people into church in the space of 3 weeks over Christmas we were reminded of how necessary they are!

Car parking: We continue to work on our responses to the concerns raised by the council planning officers, and at the meeting the importance of better parking facilities was raised very powerfully by members of the congregation.

Churchyard entrance: We await a faculty that will allow us to install better signage in the coming months. The PCC hopes this will discourage the misuse of the area for parking.

Audio-visual system: The church is full on an increasing number of occasions (major festivals, and when schools use the church) and we are discussing the provision of new audio-visual facilities to the south aisle in the year ahead, which will complete the coverage of the whole church.

Hall: Very positive feedback has been received from our regular hall users about the recent redecoration. We will be considering the replacement of the chairs, and how to respond to the requests received for better sound/loop and wifi access.

Children and Families Worker: Since receiving some of our recent generous legacies, the PCC has been keen that a significant portion should be used to expand our ministry as well as improvements to the building and grounds. After extensive research into six different possibilities, we have concluded that the most important area of ministry for our church in the next few years is among children and families. Most of the other mid-sized churches in our deanery (local area) have employed children and families workers. If we do not do this we would need immediately to make a significant reduction in what we offer in children's groups and services. With a professional children and families worker joining our ministry team we would hope to sustain what we do, and also expand our offering especially in the early 11+ age range. Such a person would work on encouraging whole families in their involvement in church life and support our many gifted volunteers. This proposal has received enthusiastic support from our Children's Support Group, the team representing those volunteers who are involved in running our many children's groups and activities. As Vicar I believe that the future health of St Mary's depends upon expanding and building upon our ministry to children and families and I am very excited by these proposals.

I am very grateful indeed to those members of St Mary's who are devoting a great deal of time in helping us move these projects forward, and whose expertise enables us to achieve our aims far more cost effectively than if we had to hire outside consultants. I said at the start I was wary of making predictions about the future, but nevertheless I am confident that, with prayer and the continued support of our community, 2019 will be a very exciting and positive year for St Mary's.

IN CHURCH IN FEBRUARY

The festival of Candlemas, or the Presentation of Christ in the Temple, will be kept on Sunday 3 February. As every week, our services begin with a simple said service of Holy Communion at 8am, and a Sung Eucharist at 9:30am. Praise@11 will be taking the form of a Christingle service. This is always a very popular form of

Continued on page 4

WA TRUELOVE & SON LTD
INDEPENDENT FAMILY FUNERAL DIRECTORS
& MONUMENTAL CRAFTSMEN SINCE 1885

Serving the local community

- 24 hour call out service
- Home visits available
- Horse-drawn funerals
- Monumental masonry
- International repatriation

For further details about Truelove guaranteed pre-paid funeral plans
Call FREEPHONE
0800 074 3797

EPSOM 01372 723337
14/18 Church Road KT17 4AB

Also at: Banstead • Caterham • Cheam • Coulsdon • Dorking • Leatherhead
Mitcham • Morden • Oxted • Reigate • Sutton • Wallington • Worcester Park
www.watfild.co.uk • info@watfild.co.uk

**To hire the
Church Hall**
please contact

020 8614 0714
or visit
www.stmarysewell.com

**PAINTER &
DECORATOR**

A.L. BOVIS

Reliable friendly service
for all exterior and interior
household maintenance
and improvements
Free estimates given

01737 359581

The Vicar Writes: continued from page 3

service especially for families, and will begin at 11am. There is a special additional service for Choral Evensong at 5:30pm to mark the feast.

Sunday 10 February falls during National Marriage Week, and again this year we are giving thanks for the role St Mary's is able play in celebrating marriage. At our 9:30am Sung Eucharist the readings and music are especially chosen with the theme of marriage in mind. We invite those who have been married in recent years to come to church especially for this service, but all are welcome if you know anyone who might like to come, especially if they were married here, please do pass on the date. Special refreshments follow the service. Our all-age service All-in follows at 5pm, then the Club Sandwich youth group for 7-11s is at 6pm.

On Sunday 17 February, after the 8am and 9:30am services, Toddle Up takes place at 11am. This is our monthly service especially for toddlers and their families: the theme this month is "What's the time?". The service is short and very informal, and followed by refreshments. Choral Evensong is sung at 5:30pm. Recent church statistics show how attendance at cathedral evensongs are increasing over the country, and we are so fortunate to be able to hold evensong, sung to a high cathedral standard, in our own parish.

Our Julian group meets on Monday 18 Feb. It is a contemplative prayer group which meets in the Parish Room at the back of the church from 8pm-9pm. If you would appreciate some peace and quiet come and enjoy spending time being still in God's presence with the help of a few words, some gentle music and an abundant amount of silence.

There is a service of baptism and morning prayer on Sunday 24 February, with the singing led by St Mary's Singers.

In the week beginning 25 February, we currently expect there to be no access to church as the restored bellows are replaced in the church organ. We therefore expect there to be no Tuesday 10am service on 26 Feb, but keep an eye on the website or in the Weekly Notes for last minute updates in that respect.

CHILDREN'S TRUST

Thank you to all who contributed to our collection for The Children's Trust over Christmas. The charity is based in Tadworth and helps children with brain injury. We raised £644.09 which has been passed on to the Children's Trust- a very good total.

CHRISTMAS ATTENDANCE

Our Christmas Attendance figures show that 2201 people attended St Mary's for the six school services we hosted, and 1111 people attended our own Christmas services, a total of 3312. Many thanks to all who helped to extend a warm welcome, and to ensure our services were of the highest standard, over the Christmas period.

Your friend and Parish Priest

IN AND AROUND OUR PARISH

Happy February - the month of love and the month in which we celebrate marriage at St Mary's. I hope that you will be able to attend the Celebration of Marriage service on the 10 February, but if not, I hope that you have the opportunity to celebrate love and marriage with your family and/or friends. February is a very busy month, with a lot of activity taking place in and around Ewell.

On Saturday 2 and Monday 4 February, you can try Nordic Walking at Winkworth Arboretum in Godalming. A great outdoor workout in the woods. Prices are £7.65 per person, which includes pole hire. For more information, please contact Vicky on 01483 208477.

You can take part, or support those taking part in the Nonsuch 10k Run on Sunday 3 February. Entry tickets are £15 and the race starts at 10.00am. Contact Mark on 07977 831519 or email

mark.caswell1@btinternet.com.

There is a Live Comedy Night at Epsom Playhouse on Friday 8 February. Tickets are available at the playhouse, on their website or by calling 01372 742555.

Chinese New Year is taking place in central London on Sunday 10 February. There will be a parade, activities and delicious food available.

On Wednesday 13 February, Pam Ayres will be at the Epsom Playhouse. Join her for an evening of laughter and nostalgia. Tickets are available at the Playhouse, on their website or by calling 01372 742555.

For those who love classic cars - there is a Classic Car Show at ExCel in London from Thursday 14 to Sunday 17 February. For more information, visit their website on

www.thelondonclassiccarshow.co.uk

On Friday 22 February there is another opportunity to laugh at Epsom College. There is a line up of three fabulous comedians. The event starts at 7.30pm and tickets are available at:

www.jumblebee.co.uk/comedyatthecollege2019.

The annual Epsom Book Fair is returning to Epsom Methodist Church from Thursday 21 to Saturday 23 February. A charity sale of second-hand books, DVDs and music.

Milkshake Live! is coming to Epsom Playhouse on Sunday 24 February. A fantastic musical performance, aimed at younger children. Tickets are available at the playhouse, on their website or by calling 01372 742555.

I hope that you have a fantastic February and if you have any events or news that you think should be included in the March article of 'In and Around Our Parish', then please email me on

publicity@stmarysewell.com.

Kalli Pasqualucci

Greenfield

Independent, family run estate agents, specialising in all aspects of residential and commercial property sales, lettings and management




020 8393 0077

www.greenfieldewell.co.uk

55 High Street
Ewell Village
Surrey KT17 1RX

TOM O'SULLIVAN DECORATING

Family business, quality decorating

Checktrade member since 1999

Quality interior and exterior decoration
Reliable, qualified, insured and CRB checked
See customer reviews at:

www.checktrade.com/tomosullivan

Tel: Home - 0208 337 3942(evenings)

Email:
tom.osullivan@virginmedia.com

FUN DAY

WEDNESDAY

Meets every Wednesday 3.30-4.30 in term time in the Church Hall. Craft, activities and games set out for children to dip in and out of. Drinks and snacks available. For children aged around 5-11 but older and younger are welcome!

Parents/carers please stay and have a drink and a chat. £1 per session - no need to book. Any questions contact Fran Siddle on 07944-761629 or francesiddle@yahoo.co.uk.

SUGGESTED PRAYERS

Prayers for Candlemas

'Candlemas', which this year is celebrated on February 2, marks the end of the Christmas season and is the time for turning our thoughts towards Lent and the road to Calvary and Easter.

O Lord, we find ourselves at a cross road:



Looking back, we remember the story of Christmas and the Good News of your birth.

Good News shared with ordinary, everyday people, and even those living on the fringes of society,

like those lowly shepherds.

Good News shared with the rich and intellectually discerning. The Good News was, and is, there for everyone, if they choose to see.

O Lord Jesus, Emmanuel, help us to see beyond the tinsel and all the trimmings the true meaning of the Christmas story and to truly receive the Good News for ourselves; that you came to show us the way back to a closer relationship with God.

O Lord, we find ourselves at a cross road:



Looking forward, we turn our minds to thinking about your ministry here on earth, a life of service to your heavenly Father and how

you paid the ultimate price for our wrongdoing.

We pray for the world; we pray for our country; we pray for the communities where we live.

We pray for a new awakening of your Spirit in the lives of your people.

We pray that we may have an unquenchable thirst for You and a deeper awareness of the power of the Cross.

May our eyes be clear to see Your Work; our ears open to hear Your Word; our hearts and minds filled with your Love that Your Kingdom may come and lives be changed.

In your Holy Name, we pray.

AMEN

LENT COURSE 2019

Why should we care for God's creation?



On Tuesdays through Lent we are going to be exploring the critical questions of why we should care for God's creation and what hope there is for the future of the planet. We shall be using a study course 'Tenants of the King' put together by Operation Noah, a Christian charity working with the Church to inspire action on climate change. You'll find their home page at <http://operationnoah.org/>.

Each Tuesday evening, with the help of a Bible passage, a video presentation and discussion we'll be looking at a different topic -

- 12 March – 'My property?' Why did God create the world? Where's creation going? We reflect on what our role might be.
- 19 March – 'Creation groans' If God created a good world, what went wrong? We reflect on a broken world and whether God has given up on it.
- 26 March – 'Do not fear!' Is 'care for creation' a lost cause? We reflect on whether our actions make a difference.
- 2 April – 'Speak up' Do Christians have any influence on those in authority? We reflect on what action churches might take for the good of God's world.
- 9 April – We may reflect on issues we would like to discuss further.

There is a booklet, which includes the Bible passage, for individuals to buy (price £2.99). The introduction says: *Our planet is changing. Whether booming populations or unpredictable climates, these changes are never far away. Most experts agree that an unstable environment represents one of the greatest international challenges of our age. But what does the Bible have to say about it?* You can

order the booklet by ringing 020 8393 2643 or emailing parishoffice@stmarysewell.com

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesdays through Lent. Everyone is welcome. Each evening is self-contained so do come along even if you can't make all the sessions. The venue is The Parish Room which is accessed from the back of the church. Any questions to The Revd Sue Ayling on 020 8337 6347 or at assistantpriest@stmarysewell.com

COME – EVERYTHING IS READY!

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Everything is ready and the invitation is for everyone – men, women and children of all ages to join this Day of Prayer. Women of Slovenia, one of the smallest and youngest countries in Europe, have prepared this year's service and they encourage us to reflect on the barriers they have faced since the end of the Second World War when their country was a part of Yugoslavia, a Marxist socialist republic. They share the challenges they have met and the hopes they have for the future.



World Day of Prayer is an international, inter-church organisation which enables us to hear the thoughts of women from all parts of the world: their hopes, concerns and prayers. The preparation for the day is vast. An international committee is

based in New York and there are national committees in each participating country. Regional conferences meet to consider the service and then local groups make their plans. Finally, at a church near you on Friday 1 March 2019 people will gather to celebrate the service prepared by women of Slovenia.

World Day of Prayer, formally *Women's World Day of Prayer*, is celebrated in over 120 countries. It begins in Samoa and prayer in native languages travels throughout the world – through Asia, Africa, the Middle East, Europe and the Americas before finishing in American Samoa some 38 hours later.

The service in this area will be held on Friday, 1 March at 2 pm, at Ruxley Church, Ruxley Lane. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

Bring and Buy

A Bring and Buy coffee morning will be held at Ruxley Church on Thursday, 21 February, 9-12 noon.

Money raised will help fund the World Day of Prayer service at Ruxley Church and the many charities that WDP supports.

NORMAN MORGAN HALE

28 June 1933 - 5 October 2018

Norman Morgan Hale was born on 28 June 1933 in Evesham, Worcestershire. His father Thomas was a market gardener and agent for a firm of horticultural chemists, while his mother Ada was a nurse before her marriage. An only child, he was lucky to survive a fall out of a car aged 3, the scar on his head remaining visible all his life. Norman had a happy childhood, with summer holidays being spent helping his father with fruit picking and playing with numerous cousins who lived nearby, as well as visiting his mother's family at their farm near Llandrindod Wells.

Norman showed great academic promise and gained a place at Prince Henry's Grammar School in Evesham. He played a full part in the life of the school, particularly enjoying drama in addition to his studies, and became Head Boy in his final year. He then won a county scholarship to read Modern History at St John's College, Oxford, becoming the first member of his family to attend university. He enjoyed the course greatly and there made friends to whom he remained close for the rest of his life. He was also involved in political life and was secretary of the University Liberal Club in his final year.

On leaving Oxford Norman opted to join the Civil Service and his career soon flourished. He started work in the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance, then after a few years moved to the Department of Health where he remained for the rest of his career. He dealt with various areas of policy and management including Mental Health, Medicines, Infectious Diseases and Human Embryology. His remit also included the treatment of HIV and AIDS at the time they came to prominence in the 1980s. Norman was much respected in his work and when he retired in 1993 was made a Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, something that was a source of great pride to him and his family and friends. Following his retirement Norman was asked to be a member of several consultative committees, notably for the Ministry of Defence and the National Trust.

In 1964 Norman and Sybil met at a friend's party and were married a year later. They set up home in Ewell where they have lived ever since. Roger was born in 1966 and Alison in 1968 and the family was very happy, enjoying summer holidays in Devon, Cornwall and France as well as frequent trips to visit family in the Cotswolds. On 25 September 2015 Norman and Sybil celebrated their golden wedding anniversary by attending morning service at the church in the Cotswolds where they had been married.

Norman was a devoted family man and was delighted

when Phil and Petra joined the family. He took great joy in seeing his grandchildren, Lucy, Emma, Katie and Matthew, grow up and followed all their activities with pride and enthusiasm.



Norman inherited his father's green fingers and took great pride in his garden, cultivating a wide variety of vegetables, fruit and flowers. He could be found outside in all weathers, and as well as the satisfaction he derived from keeping it looking at its best, he found gardening a valuable antidote to the stresses and strains of his work.

Norman and Sybil started attending St Mary's Church soon after moving to Ewell and have worshipped there ever since. They both helped with the Sunday School in their early days. Norman became a member of various church committees and for a time chaired the Friends of St Mary's music, which raised money to

support the church's musical activities by running a programme of concerts, recitals and barn dances. From 1993 to 1997 he was churchwarden, afterwards becoming churchwarden emeritus. As the family grew up Roger joined the church choir and Alison the bell ringers.

Norman served as governor of Ewell Grove School for many years, eight of them as its chair. He enjoyed working with the school, seeking to maintain its reputation while enabling it to expand. He also had a lifelong interest in local history and was a member of the Epsom and Ewell Historical Society, Nonsuch Antiquarians, NADFAS and Probus.

In 1999, following a holiday in Canada, Norman suffered a very severe infection and after a cardiac arrest spent 21 weeks in hospital. Physically he was never the same again although miraculously his mind was unaffected, and it helped his convalescence that he could continue to pursue his various interests. As time passed his mobility gradually worsened and walking became more and more difficult, which would have been intensely dispiriting for such a keen gardener and lover of the outdoors. However, he hardly ever complained, preferring instead to focus on the additional years he felt he had been given and to make the most of each day.

He died on 5 October 2018 aged 85.

Norman always saw the best in people and earned the respect of all those who knew him. He will be remembered particularly for his wise counsel and sound advice, which helped to smooth over many a difficult situation. He was a good friend to many, a devoted husband, father and grandfather, and he will be greatly missed.

PASTORAL ASSISTANTS IN TRAINING



On Monday 14 January, two members of our congregation, Andrew Sykes and Barbara Gibson-Sykes, began their training as pastoral assistants. They are shown here with the Revd Kerry Tucker, the Senior Tutor for Pastoral Assistants. In the first part of the year the training involves a weekly evening course in Guildford, with written work, practical exercises, and a residential weekend. Later in the year there are various specialist modules. Following successful completion, they will be authorised as pastoral assistants by the Bishop at Guildford Cathedral at a special service on 9 November. They will then join our existing pastoral assistant Wendy Paxman as our team of pastoral assistants, and will continue to be involved in a wide range of pastoral work in the parish. Barbara and Andrew are

already involved in ministry to care homes, in wedding preparation, and many other aspects of church life, and this course will help them to develop further their many gifts and skills as they prepared for this authorized lay ministry.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

HOLY BAPTISM

'At the font we were marked with the Cross on our brow, of our grace and our calling the sign.' (AMR 541)

15 December Albert James Ramshaw

HOLY MATRIMONY

An honourable estate, instituted of God
(BCP Marriage rite)

15 December Richard David Ramshaw
and Sophie Alice Holland

FUNERALS

Let light perpetual shine upon them

18 December Edward James Dymott, aged 93
19 December Stanley Francis Slinger, aged 83
28 December Dennis Jesse Harold Alford, aged 90
9 January Peter Stevens, aged 72

MONEY MATTERS Financial Summary for 2018

The deficit for the twelve months is £13,671 better than the budget which is very welcome news although £3,473 more than the previous year.

Income is £1,456 higher than budget. When comparing to last year, income is £2,548 higher. The main reasons are higher fees from weddings and funerals, rental income from the playing field and interest earned on deposits but this has been offset by a decrease in voluntary income of £4,730.

Expenditure is £12,215 less than budget. There have been lower spends than anticipated on church and hall maintenance, churchyard and music department but these have been offset by higher costs on the sound system due to

a replacement mixer being needed.

The above figures are the normal running expenses and income for the church. They exclude legacies and monies spent on capital and pastoral projects which are funded from the legacies given in previous years.

These are draft figures and the final accounts which include all income (including legacies) and all expenditure (including projects) will be prepared shortly.

The Vicar and the PCC extend their thanks to you all, for your ongoing support to St Mary's.

Angela and Noel Burns, Treasurers

	Actual 12 months 2018	Budget 12 months 2018	Variance actual v budget 12 months 2018	Actual 12 months 2017	Effect on Reserves 12 months 2018
Incoming Resources	£124,756	£123,300	£1,456	£122,208	£2,548
Resources Expended	£152,952	£165,167	£12,215	£146,931	-£6,021
Net Incoming/Outgoing Resources	-£28,196	-£41,867	£13,671	-£24,723	-£3,473

Young Church Mass

03 February 2019, Presentation of Christ in the Temple; Luke 2:22-40



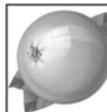
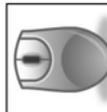
Jesus is presented in the Temple

Produced by the Diocese of Bath and Wells, Go Team
03 February 2019

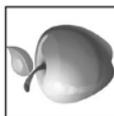
Page 9 can be cut out if needed

Who did they meet at the Temple?

Write the first letter of each picture to find out

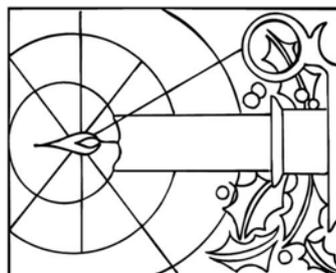


and



Simeon's prayer

Now, Lord, you have kept your promise,
And you may let your servant go in peace.
With my own eyes I have seen your salvation,
Which you have prepared in the presence of all
peoples:
A light to reveal your will to the Gentiles
And bring glory to your people Israel.



Simeon's prayer is called the Nunc Dimittis
Nunc Dimittis is Latin and means "now you can go"

Produced by the Diocese of Bath and Wells, Go Team
03 February 2019

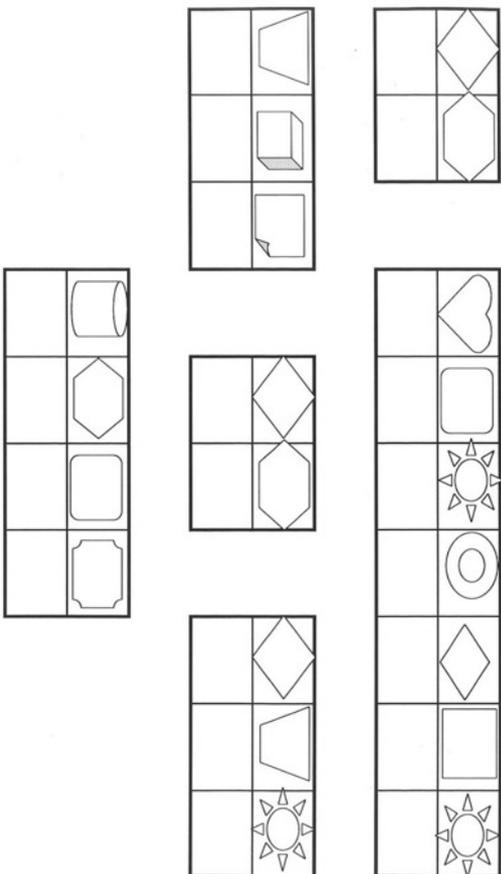
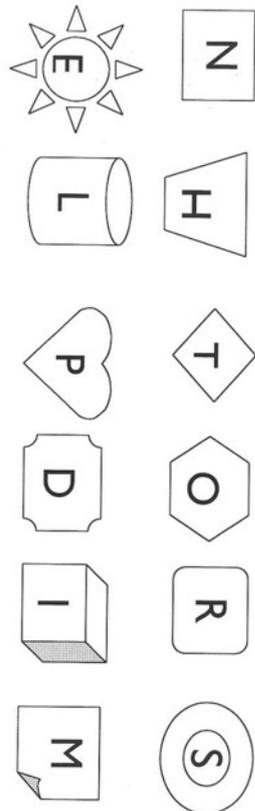
February 2nd is the day that commemorates the Presentation of the baby Jesus in the temple. It is also called Candlemas because it was the day on which all the candles that were going to be used in the church during the coming year were blessed.

Join the dots from 1 to 17 and see what you get.



Why did Mary and Joseph take baby Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem?

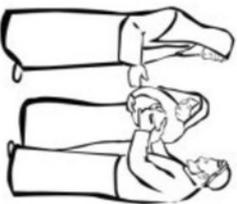
Fit the shapes into the puzzle below to find out



What did the big candle say to the little candle?

I'm going out tonight!

Groan!!!



BEREAVEMENT CAFE

Losing someone you love can turn
your world upside down

Talking about it helps

Third Tuesday each month

2:45pm–3:45pm

St Mary's Church Hall (opposite
church on London Road)

Tel 0208 393 2643

Open to all: just turn up


Princess Alice
Hospice

Caring when it matters



Alan Greenwood & Sons

Independent Family Funeral Directors

www.alangreenwoodfunerals.com

The Funeral Service that caters for everyone's needs

- A choice of the latest Jaguar or Mercedes Hearses and Limousines
- Home visit arrangements
- Pre-paid funeral plans
- Memorials
- Quality Service 24 hours day



The Greenwood Family are directly involved in the running of the Company, ensuring that your wishes are carried out with the utmost dignity and precise attention to detail.

83 High Street, Ewell Village, KT17 1RX **020 8393 0197**

425 Kingston Road, Ewell, KT19 0BT **020 8786 7476**

706 London Road, North Cheam, SM3 9BY **020 8150 9525**

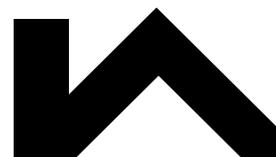
RAISE FUNDS WHEN YOU SHOP ON LINE!

Have you heard about
easyfundraising?

It's an easy way to help raise money for St Mary's! If you already shop online with retailers such as Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, Comet, iTunes, eBay, or Expedia, then please sign up for free to raise money while you shop!

There are links on the church website to help you

So far 37 people have signed up
and have raised £968 for St Mary's



All roofing and guttering repairs

30 years experience covering
Worcester Park and close by

Valleys, Bays etc.

All new work guaranteed

Free estimates

Special rates to O.A.P.s

J L Hellings & Son

Tel: 020 8788 1459
100 Kingsmead Avenue

ALFRED & EWART LONGHURST

FUNERAL DIRECTORS AND MONUMENTAL MASONS

- A complete, caring professional service
- Estimates and advice freely given for funerals and memorials
- Flexible pre-paid funeral plan - details on request

21-23, KINGSTON ROAD, EWELL

020 8393 1077



Calendar for February

- S 3 CANDLEMAS**
0800 Holy Communion
0930 Sung Eucharist
1100 Praise@11 Christingle service
1730 Choral Evensong
- T 5** 1000 Holy Communion (said) at the Side Chapel
- S 10 FOURTH SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**
0800 Holy Communion
0930 Sung Eucharist celebrating marriage, followed by refreshments
1700 All-In Service followed by
1800 Club Sandwich Group for 7-11s
- M 11** Holy Communion to the Housebound
- T 12** 1000 Holy Communion (said) at the Side Chapel
- S 17 THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**
0800 Holy Communion
0930 Sung Eucharist
1100 Toddle Up!
1730 Choral Evensong
- M 18** 2000 Julian Group meets in the Parish Room
- T 19** 1000 Holy Communion (said) at the Side Chapel
1445 Bereavement Café in the Church Hall
- T 21** 1000 Holy Communion to The Old House
- S 24 SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**
0800 Holy Communion
0930 Sung Eucharist
1115 Morning Prayer and Holy Baptism
- M 25** 1400 Holy Communion to The Elders

Monday 25 Feb - Friday 1 March
NO ACCESS TO CHURCH
DUE TO WORK ON THE ORGAN

Improving homes inside and out

Oakdene Home Services

Home Maintenance
Painting & Decorating, Gardening & General DIY

Roger Phillips

TELEPHONE: 07831 663 323
EMAIL: oakdenhomeservices@gmail.com

☕ FEE MORNINGS

**WE MEET EVERY WEDNESDAY
FROM 10.30 am – 12 noon**

DO COME AND JOIN US

CHOIR AT WELLS CATHEDRAL



On the weekend of 5 and 6 January our parish choir sang the services at Wells Cathedral. The music was very well received by the cathedral and the congregations there. Four full choral services over the weekend represents a significant amount of preparation and work by our Director of Music, Choir Administrator, and the whole choir, to whom many thanks are due. These 'away' engagements add greatly to the development of our choral tradition and reputation. The choir's next trips planned are Evensong on 11 May at Portsmouth Cathedral, and the weekend's services at Liverpool Cathedral on 30 Aug-1 Sep. All supporters from Ewell are most welcome.

ST MARY'S DECORATED FOR CHRISTMAS

