

**Please pray for:**

Those who are sick including Kathy Keffler, Val Flippance, and Zoe Grist .  
The family and friends of John Ridley who has died recently.  
We also remember Don Sherwell whose year’s mind falls at this time.

**WEDDING AND BAPTISM ENQUIRIES**

All enquiries about weddings or baptisms should be made directly to the Vicar or Curate —contact details below.

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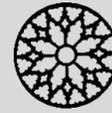
**For your prayers:**

For growth as they restart after the Covid lockdown -  
Little Fishes and Jenny who leads it together with those who support her;  
The monthly All Age Service and all who plan and attend it..

**Collect for Holy Cross Day (14<sup>th</sup> September):**

Almighty God,  
who in the passion of your blessed Son made an instrument of painful death to be for us the means of life and peace:  
grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer for his sake;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

Items for inclusion in the Notices need to be emailed to [churchwarden@stmarysck.org.uk](mailto:churchwarden@stmarysck.org.uk) by **Tuesday** each week



**St Mary’s Church, Charlton Kings**  
**Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 - Trinity 15 (Proper 19)**

Welcome to our services today, whether you are here in St Mary’s or watching online at home.

Wearing masks while in church is preferred, though not compulsory. We want people to feel comfortable about returning to worship in church by doing all we can to protect ourselves and each other. If you are eligible but, for any reason, have been unable to accept a vaccination, it would be appreciated if you would consider taking a lateral flow test before attending.

Please continue to respect social distancing and the sensitivities of others around you in church.

**TODAY’S SERVICES**

The service sheet may be downloaded and printed from the website

**8:00am Holy Communion**

President: Rev’d Adrian Beere

**10:00am Parish Communion**

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Preacher: Rev’d Adrian Beere

**Readings:**

Isaiah 50:4-9a  
James 3:1-12;  
Mark 8:27-38

**Hymns:**

CP398; CP558; CP469; CP439; SP309

**Anthem:**

Lord, for thy tender mercies sake -  
Hilton/Farrant

**6:30pm Choral Evensong**

Officiant: Rev’d Adrian Beere

**Collect**

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love:  
grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

**Post Communion Prayer:**

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy;  
and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful,  
and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Parish Diary

### Regular Services in Church:

Sundays: 8:00am Holy Communion (CW Order 2— Traditional language)  
 10:00am Parish Communion (CW Order 1)  
 6:30pm Choral Evensong (BCP)

Thursdays: 11:00am Holy Communion (CW Order 2—Traditional language)

Monday to Friday: 9:00am Morning Prayer 5:30pm Evening Prayer

### Online Services:

**Sunday: 10:00am Parish Communion (CW Order 1)**

The service sheet for Sunday may be downloaded from the Parish Website.

### Other services and events:

#### Monday 13<sup>th</sup>

7:30pm Choir Practice Church

#### Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>

10:15am Little Fishes Parish Centre

#### Friday 17<sup>th</sup>

9:00am Church Flowers Church

#### Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>

9:30am Churchyard Clear-up Church

#### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>

12:00pm Baptism of Harrison Powell Church

#### Monday 20<sup>th</sup>

7:30pm Choir Practice Church

#### Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>

10:15am Little Fishes Parish Centre

#### Friday 24<sup>th</sup>

9:00am Church Flowers Church

12:30pm Private (family only) funeral of John Ridley Crematorium

7:30pm Autumn Course begins with film 'The Way' Parish Centre

### Dorothy Eltham will be 100 years old on 20<sup>th</sup> September

Many in our congregation will remember Dorothy and her son, Jim, who worshipped for many years at St Mary's before moving to Hampshire. Dorothy will celebrate her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on 20<sup>th</sup> September. There is a card on the piano for people to sign, if they wish, to congratulate and send best wishes to Dorothy on reaching her centenary.

### The Long Road to Heaven - Lent/Autumn Course

Our delayed, from 2020, Lent Course, based on the film 'The Way' starring Martin Sheen, will now be held in October. Sessions will be held in church on Friday evenings, beginning with a showing of the film on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> September at 7:30pm. Discussion sessions, using the study course, 'The Long Road to Heaven' will be held on 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> October, also in church starting at 7:30pm.

For those who prefer an afternoon discussion group, Adrian will be leading a group, kindly hosted by Ann Haseler, at 2:30pm on Tuesday afternoons starting on Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> September. If you are unable to come to the showing of the film on 24<sup>th</sup> September, but would like to borrow a copy to see before the course starts, please speak to Adrian, Jean or Colin.

Sign-up sheets for both the afternoon and evening sessions are at the back of church or email [churchwarden@stmarysck.org.uk](mailto:churchwarden@stmarysck.org.uk) in order to be added to your chosen group.

Copies of the course book: 'The Long Road to Heaven' by Tim Heaton may be purchased (new or 'used') online from a number of outlets.

### Afghanistan — how you can help

The events of the last few weeks in Afghanistan have left people feeling both saddened and helpless. There may not be a lot that we can do to assist the people of Afghanistan who are facing a much darker future under the Taliban but we can offer help to support those Afghan refugees and asylum seekers who were able to escape the country to seek a new life here in the UK. Organisations like Cheltenham Welcomes Refugees (CWR) and Gloucestershire Action for Refugees and Asylum Seekers (GARAS) are gearing up to offer to support to those who will be resettled in this area. Neither organisation has storage space for donated food, clothes or household items but funding would be welcome. See their websites [cheltenhamwelcomesrefugees.org.uk/action-for-afghanistan](http://cheltenhamwelcomesrefugees.org.uk/action-for-afghanistan) or [garas.org.uk/latest](http://garas.org.uk/latest) for full information about how you can help.

Meanwhile Cheltenham Borough Council which has committed to providing four homes for families fleeing Afghanistan are actively seeking private landlords who might be able to offer more. Contact Caroline Sutcliffe, Housing Strategy and Enabling Officer at [caroline.sutcliffe@cheltenham.gov.uk](mailto:caroline.sutcliffe@cheltenham.gov.uk) if you may be interested and able to offer accommodation.

There is a copy of the CWR newsletter on the 'Community' noticeboard by the font. Email [chelt.refugees@gmail.com](mailto:chelt.refugees@gmail.com) if you would like to receive news from CWR.