



Weekly Newsletter

Sunday 12th January, 2025

Baptism of Christ

8.00am

Celebrant & Preacher:

Holy Communion (BCP - said)

Canon Angus Aagaard

Service begins in the Book of Common Prayer on page 294 and readings on page 109

10.30am

Choral Eucharist

also on Facebook & YouTube

Each Sunday morning's service sheet is uploaded [here](#) on the preceding Friday.

Celebrant:

Canon Peter Holliday

Preacher:

Doreen Mills

Mass setting:

Ireland in C

Hymns:

52, 51, 425, 58(t.128(ii))(New English Hymnal)

Reading:

Acts 8.14-17 - Sarah Faulkner

Gospel:

Luke 3.15-15, 21-22

Intercessions:

Tony Fitzpatrick

Motet:

I saw three ships Trad. arr. Beeby

Organ voluntary:

Fugue sur un thème de Noël russe Glière

Refreshments will be served following the Service to which everyone is invited.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Happy New Year from St Mary's Sunday School! Thanks so much to all those children (and adults) who worked so hard to make the Crib Service so wonderful! Our Sunday School meets during the 10:30 service each week; we currently have members from pre-school to Year 8. This week, as the first session of the year, we will be thinking about New Year's Resolutions, why we make them and what makes a good resolution. Everyone is invited to assemble at the Welcome Desk at the back of church during the first hymn. Visiting children are always welcome (pre-schoolers are kindly asked to bring an adult with them).

5.30pm

Epiphany Carol Service

See special Order of Service

MIDWEEK SERVICES

Wednesday 15th January - 10.00am Holy Communion; 5.30pm Choral Evensong

Friday 17th January - 5.30pm Choral Evensong

FORTHCOMING SUNDAY SERVICES

Sunday 19th January - Epiphany 2 & Baptism

8.00am Holy Communion; 10.30am Choral Eucharist;

No Evensong (CTW United Service at St Michael's, Budbrooke)

Sunday 26th January - Epiphany 3

8.00am Holy Communion; 10.30am Choral Eucharist; 5.30pm Choral Evensong

Sunday 2nd February - Presentation of Christ in the Temple

8.00am Holy Communion; 10.30am Choral Eucharist; 5.30pm Candlemas Carol Service

Sunday 9th February - 4 Before Lent

8.00am Holy Communion; 10.30am Choral Eucharist; 5.30pm Choral Evensong

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

Harry Fox, Patricia Heaps, Phyllis Hole, Elizabeth Holroyde, Luke Ryan, Chris Shilton, Jennifer Tarney.

PRAYERS FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:

Geoffrey Smith, Kelvin Webster, Anthony Yates.

Please contact Suzie in the Parish Office if you wish to add anybody to the list via admin@stmaryswarwick.org.uk or call 01926 403940.

PRAYER FOR THE CMM SISTERS

Heavenly Father, we give thanks for the CMM Sisters in Tanzania and Zambia as they prayerfully live out your commandments with gratitude and joy. After last year's poor harvest, we pray for the right weather conditions, with moderate rain in due season, that "the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit." (Lev. 26.4)

VISION2030 MEETING

A congregational meeting has been arranged as an opportunity for members of the congregations, of all services, to ask any questions they may have about the Vision2030 Statement. The meeting will be held in St Mary's at 11.45 am on Sunday 9th February, following the morning Eucharist. I look forward to seeing you. *Fr Angus*

ST MARY'S SCHOLARS

We offer hearty thanks to St Mary's Scholars for starting our choral worship of 2025. We are very grateful to them, and to Mark and Harry, for all they contribute to our worship here.

EPIPHANY CAROL SERVICE

Join us this evening, Sunday 12th January at 5.30pm as we continue to celebrate the Christmas period with readings and music for Epiphany, marking the revelation of Christ in the gifts of the Wise Men.

ORGAN EPIPHANY

Our lunchtime recital series continues on Friday 24th January, with an organ recital by Alexander Flower, recently appointed Organist at St George's Cathedral, Southwark and prizewinning Fellow of the Royal College of Organists. His programme will take us on a deep dive into the rich repertoire of organ music for the season of Epiphany, including music by Buxtehude, Dubois, Litaize, Messiaen and Pachelbel and a work by the contemporary composer Kristina Arakelyan. Free to enter with a retiring collection, Alexander's performance begins at 1.15pm and we hope you can join us!

CHORISTER TASTER AFTERNOON

Do you know a child in Years 2-5 that loves to sing? Come along to the Chorister Taster Afternoon at St Mary's on Saturday 18th January, starting at 2.00pm. Find out all about singing at St Mary's, on tour, in concert, on BBC TV and radio and more. Register via <https://tinyurl.com/choristertaster> (registration overseen by Warwick School).

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

The new year has started and its time again to count The Children's Society boxes, so could we please ask everyone to start bringing your Children's Society box into church. We did very well last year and raised £706.73 so hopefully this year we can match this amount or indeed hopefully raise more. We will count the money and return the boxes to the back of the church. With thanks for your help in raising money for the continuing work of The Children's Society.

Gill and David Benson

I WILL LIFT UP MINE EYES

'I will lift up mine eyes' - featuring a selection of anthems for upper voices, sung by St Mary's Girls Choristers are available from St Mary's shop at £14.99 or can be purchased online via: <http://tiny.cc/warwickcd> at £18.50 (incl. postage and packaging). It is also available on streaming services.

GIFT AID

We thank you for your donations. If you are a UK tax payer, your donation can be increased by 25% if you fill out an envelope available by the main entrance. This allows us to retrieve the tax you have already paid and put it towards the work of St Mary's. You can also donate using the contactless payment points at the West end of the church.

JOIN THE CLUB TO SUPPORT THE CHOIR!

The '100 Club' is a prize draw of 100 tickets, giving out three prizes each month: £11, £5 and £3. Each ticket costs just £1 per month and you are welcome to sign up for as many tickets as you like. Proceeds help to support the activities of the Choir through the Friends of the Choir. If all tickets were sold, it would raise almost £1,000 a year that could go towards the work of the Choir. To get your ticket(s), please contact the Treasurer of the Friends, Niki Marklew:

nikimarklew@outlook.com.

LIVESTREAMING

We provide a livestream of our 10.30am Sunday service on Facebook and YouTube. To comply with data protection regulation, St Mary's must have consent of anyone whose image might be included in our broadcast. The full policy can be read on the noticeboards or on the "Featured" section of the front page of our website. The south side of St Mary's (by the font) is a zone for those who wish to maintain social distance or avoid the cameras from our livestreaming. In other parts of the Church every attempt is made not to show faces, but this can happen if people turn around during the service. The congregation is not filmed whilst receiving communion. The 10.30am order of service, Weekly Newsletter and Parish Magazine can also be viewed and downloaded from our website.

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Canon Peter Holliday, Precentor*

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Assistant Director of Music: Mark Swinton
Organ Scholar: Harry Sullivan*

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Further information about St Mary's, our life and ministry can be found on:

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