

# Weekly Newsletter

Sunday 19th January, 2025

# **Epiphany 2**

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP - said)

Celebrant & Preacher: Canon Angus Aagaard

Service begins in the Book of Common Prayer on page 294 and readings on page 110

10.30am Choral Eucharist & Baptism

Boys' and Men's Voices

also on Facebook & YouTube

Each Sunday morning's service sheet is uploaded here on

the preceding Friday.

Celebrant and preacher: Canon Angus Aagaard

Mass setting: Darke in F

Hymns: 55, 375, 137, 56(omit v.4) (New English Hymnal)

Reading: 1 Corinthians 12. 1-11 - Noel Reeve

Gospel: John 2. 1-11

Motet: O sacrum convivium Andrew Fletcher

Organ voluntary: Noël Suisse Daquin

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

# **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Our Sunday School meets during the 10:30 service each week; we currently have members from pre-school to Year 8. 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 asked to bring an adult with them). We will be looking at today's well-known Gospel reading of Jesus' first miracle at the Wedding at Cana and how, with God's help, we can best make use of his abundant gifts.

## A FINAL PUSH FOR FIRST AIDERS....

There will be a training session for paediatric first aid in church on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January. It is free to attend as our hope is to have an abundance of Sunday School helpers serving our children and young people safely and enthusiastically! Do speak to Suzette or email <a href="mailto:community@stmaryswarwick.org.uk">community@stmaryswarwick.org.uk</a> if you are interested in coming along.

4.00pm CTW United Service

Chase Meadow Community Centre (Refreshments from 3.30pm)

Please note the change of time from previous years

#### **MIDWEEK SERVICES**

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January - 10.00am Holy Communion; 5.30pm Choral Evensong Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January - 5.30pm Choral Evensong

#### FORTHCOMING SUNDAY SERVICES

Sunday 26th January - Epiphany 3

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

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February - Presentation of Christ in the Temple

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

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February - 4 Before Lent

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

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February - 3 Before Lent

8.00am Holy Communion; 10.30am Choral Eucharist; 5.30pm Choral Evensong (Scholars)

#### PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

Harry Fox, Ruby Hayes, 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.

#### **WELCOME**

We welcome Henry Savage-Wilkes and Yenaveve and Anakin Davis-Reidy and their families and friends to the St Mary's community, as they celebrate their baptism today.

#### 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)

#### WINTER COAT DONATIONS

Thank you so much to all those who gave presents to the residents of the Delta Hotel before Christmas. There have since been a further 50 arrivals and local coordinators are asking if anyone might be in a position to offer any small or medium sized male winter coats, clean and in good condition. If easier, cash donations to buy coats are also very welcome. Please speak to Suzette or email community@stmaryswarwick.org.uk

#### **OUT AND ABOUT**

We wish the Boy Choristers and Gentlemen of the Choir bon voyage as they travel to Hereford to sing Choral Evensong with the Cathedral Choir, with music by Radcliffe, Stanford and Mendelssohn, followed by a meal out in Hereford. Many thanks to the Friends of the Choir for supporting the costs of this trip.

#### THANK YOU

The parish of St Mary Immaculate RC Church thank everyone for their warm welcome, last week and this Sunday, whilst the scaffolding is being erected in their church.

#### FILMING MORNING PRAYER FOR FACEBOOK

Could anyone please donate a surplus iPhone with 5G and/or 4G capability to Fr Angus so he can live stream Morning Prayer from church? Thank you, Fr Angus

#### 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

#### CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK OF PRAYER

Please see the leaflet at the back of church giving details of where to gather for prayer during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18th - 25th January. Please meet in the Town centre on the two Saturdays, and it will be pray at home on the Friday (which people are invited to do daily if unable to come in person).

Thank you, Val Brant

#### **ANOTHER THANK YOU**

Thank you to everyone who contributed so generously to the conservation vacuum fund and to Sheila Young who organized the fund raising. We are now able to carry out much needed work on the George VI Altar Cloth and other artifacts in the Church.

Thank you, Anaïs Vanian-Cooper

### **ORGAN EPIPHANY**

Our lunchtime recital series continues on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> 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!

#### **CHORAL CANDLEMAS**

Join the Girl Choristers and Gentlemen of the Choir for our Candlemas Carol Service at 5.30pm on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February. The feast of Candlemas (aka The Purification, aka The Presentation of Christ in the Temple) marks the revelation of Christ as the 'light to lighten the gentiles', and the service will include readings and music by Eric Whitacre, Adrian Lucas, Humphrey Clucas, Holst and Willcocks.

#### **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 9<sup>th</sup> February, following the morning Eucharist. I look forward to seeing you.

#### 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: <a href="http://tiny.cc/warwickcd">http://tiny.cc/warwickcd</a> 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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Further information about St Mary's, our life and ministry can be found on: Website: www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk

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