

ST. MARY OF NAZARETH/ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI – WEST WICKHAM  
**20<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2024 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

**Richard will be unavailable from October 21<sup>st</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>. Should you need a member of the clergy in that time, please contact Carol Coslett: 020 7939 9456, [carol.coslett@southwark.anglican.org](mailto:carol.coslett@southwark.anglican.org) .**

**Services over the next two weeks**

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| Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> October | 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion at St. Mary's<br>9.15 a.m. Holy Communion at St. Mary's<br>10.45 a.m. Holy Communion at St. Francis   |
| Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> October | 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion at St. Francis<br>9.15 a.m. Morning Praise at St. Mary's<br>10.45 a.m. Morning Worship at St. Francis |

*Services are livestreamed on YouTube during the main services, weekly at St Mary's and whenever possible at St Francis.*

**Weekly services/Prayers**

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| Tuesday at 10am      | Pray for growth of the church held at 130 The Avenue<br>Contact Jean Pogose (8289-5996) for more information. |
| Wednesday at 9:30am  | Morning Prayer at St Francis  |
| Wednesday at 10:30am | St Francis' open for <b>private prayer</b> till 11:30am   |
| Thursday at 9am      | Morning prayer at St Mary's   |

**Upcoming Events**

**The Diocesan children, youth and families ministry conference is being held on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November at St John's, Waterloo.** The theme is "Small changes, Big impact". Individual tickets cost £15 per person. Group tickets cost £10 per person for orders of 4 or more from the same parish. All tickets include lunch and refreshments. See attached flyer and letter from the Bishop and Archdeacon of Croydon for more details. Further information and booking can be found here <https://southwark.anglican.org/cypconference24>

**Beckenham Chorale presents Faure Requiem Blackford - Mirror of Perfection on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 7pm at St George's Church, Beckenham.** Conducted by Mark Griffiths with St. Paul's Sinfonia Jonathan Brown Baritone, Emma Walshe Soprano.

Tickets £20/£15/£5 including free drink and programme online or on door from 6.15 p.m. [www.ticketsource.co.uk](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk) or [www.beckenhamchorale.org.uk](http://www.beckenhamchorale.org.uk)

## Notices

Please pray for the following people associated with our community:

Vicky Pearce, Jane Smith, Rowena Griffiths, Daphne Dack, John Dack, Sue Jones, Barry Burford, Pam Tabner, Barbara Goodchild, Marcia Chandler, Tim Curtis, Pauline Jackson and for the family of John Godfrey who died recently.

**Thank you to everyone** who brought donations for the Foodbanks to the Harvest Festival services and Messy Church. Our donations will support both Shrublands and Bromley foodbanks.

It was lovely to be joined by over 60 members of 7th West Wickham and their families at the service at St Francis. Thank you to everyone who contributed to making that a success.

Thank you too, to all of you who supported the 7th West Wickham cake sale after the service. I'm pleased to tell you that they made £250 for scout funds

**Advent Calendars:** I shall shortly be placing an order for The Real Advent Calendar, which is the only one with Fairtrade chocolate, a copy of the Christmas story and which supports charitable projects. The Real Advent Calendar is a fun way for parents, grandparents and Godparents to share the Christmas story. The new design calendar comes with a free 24-page Christmas story activity book designed to be used every day in Advent. This year, the book is illustrated by award winning artist, Martina Peluso.

Single copies are priced at £5.50 each, but if a case of 18 is ordered the price drops to £4.95 each (I already have 9 orders). If you are interested, please phone or email me with the number required by **November 1<sup>st</sup> – 020 8289 2432**, [richard.ford73@gmail.com](mailto:richard.ford73@gmail.com). **Richard Ford**

More singers are still needed to make a strong choir for the **Big Christmas Sing. (Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December at St. Francis' Church)**. Details of practices and times, etc., are on posters in church or please see Geoff. N.b. Previous experience is not essential.

“It is time, once again, for the **St Francis Children’s Society Boxes** to be opened, and I would be grateful, therefore, if they could either, be brought into church or I could collect them from your home. Many thanks, Christine Morton (020 8777 9213)”

**Link to Hope Family and Elderly Shoebox Appeal:** This very worthy charity sends shoeboxes from all over the UK to very poor areas in Ukraine, Moldova Romania and Bulgaria. Camilla Johnson from St Johns coordinates the donations from this area. I have supported it for some years both by filling shoeboxes with my granddaughters each October Half Term and by helping out at the “Shoebox Superhub and Hospital each Autumn.

I have left leaflets in the vestibule which outline which gifts should go in the shoeboxes. If you would like to support this scheme, I can collect your shoebox from you. The closing date is 8 November. If the thought of filling a shoebox is too daunting any donations which are suitable to go in a shoebox will be very gratefully received.

More details can be found on the “Link to Hope” website. The videos of the people receiving the boxes at Xmas time are very moving as they live in such abject poverty.

Sharon Newman 078117 42062

**Warm space:** We are planning to extend the times of the Warm Space at St. Francis so that we are open each Wednesday from November. We hope to be open from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm. Thank you to those who have already told me that they can help with this. We always have two volunteers on at a time and in general they do a 2-hour shift. If anyone else is happy to volunteer to help, please could you get in touch with me by email.

We are also looking for new ideas for the Warm Space perhaps some special activity that people can join in with. If you have any ideas and would be prepared to get involved with putting it on just get in touch. Maybe you could run a painting morning or a “knit and natter” or have other wonderful ideas. Thank you. Kate.

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**Community Lunch:** For the last 6 years, **Coney Hill Baptist Church** have hosted a Community Lunch on the third Wednesday of each month. However, the volunteer team has become somewhat depleted, and it is becoming a struggle to maintain the good standards our guests have become accustomed to. Any offer of help would be greatly appreciated, but specifically we are looking for people who might come and help us clear away at the end of our time together, so to be available just for 2 hours

12-2pm, once a month. If you can help or know anyone who might be interested please contact either: Christine Milburn (Lunch coordinator) 07943 329962, or Ian Hamlin (minister) 07543 561868.

We will continue to collect items for the **Bromley Homeless Starter Pack Scheme** for those starting out in a new home with nothing. Starter Packs for families in need include cutlery, crockery, duvet covers (not duvets) pillowcases, tea towels, saucepans, frying pans, bath towels, toothbrushes etc. Please continue to bring these items to St. Francis.

**Foodbank donations** to St. Mary's or St Francis' Church. Items needed: tinned vegetables (including tomatoes and potatoes) hot and cold meat tins, cooking sauces, UHT milk, squash, UHT fruit juice and jam. *They have plenty of pasta, cereal, tea and biscuits.* You can also donate financially here: <https://bromleyborough.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money>. Thank you for your continuing support.

**Flowers:** If anyone would like a pedestal at either church in memory of a loved one or to commemorate a special anniversary etc., please contact Merri Womack (8777 8772) for St Mary's (or there is a list to sign in the vestibule at St. Mary's) or Nicky Nightingale ([nicholanightingale@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:nicholanightingale@hotmail.co.uk) or 8916 9855) for St Francis'.

Items for pew sheet to Beryl [berylbolton@hotmail.com](mailto:berylbolton@hotmail.com) **Deadline is Thursday MIDDAY**

Items for St Mary's website to Gifty [office@stmarywestwickham.co.uk](mailto:office@stmarywestwickham.co.uk)

Items for St Francis' website to Bo [bolaptop1@outlook.com](mailto:bolaptop1@outlook.com)

## October 20<sup>th</sup> 2024: 21st Sunday after Trinity

### Collect

Almighty God,  
in whose service lies perfect freedom:  
teach us to obey you  
with loving hearts and steadfast wills;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **First Reading: Isaiah 53: 4-12**

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. <sup>5</sup> But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. <sup>6</sup> All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

<sup>7</sup> He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. <sup>8</sup> By a perversion of justice he was taken away.

Who could have imagined his future ? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. <sup>9</sup> They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

<sup>10</sup> Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper <sup>11</sup> Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. <sup>12</sup> Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many and made intercession for the transgressors.

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Mark 10: 35-45**

<sup>35</sup> James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, 'Teacher we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' <sup>36</sup> And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' <sup>37</sup> And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' <sup>38</sup> But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' <sup>39</sup> They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; <sup>40</sup> but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.'

<sup>41</sup> When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. <sup>42</sup> So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. <sup>43</sup> But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup> and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup> For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

## **Post Communion**

Father of light,  
in whom is no change or shadow of turning,  
you give us every good and perfect gift  
and have brought us to birth by your word of truth:  
may we be a living sign of that kingdom  
where your whole creation will be made perfect  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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