

Welcome to St. Mary's Shortlands

15 February 2026



Today

**10.30am Holy Communion with baptism of Florence
Pattenden**

Celebrant and preaching: Rev. Dave Edmondson

Reading: Pat Chase

Intercessions: Rev. Dave Edmondson

Hymns

375 - Amazing grace

519 - Make me a channel of your peace

612 - We have a gospel to proclaim

278 - Alleluia sing to Jesus

This week

Tue 17 Feb 10.00am - 12 noon - Craft and Chatter

Wed 18 Feb **Ash Wednesday Holy Communion**

10.00am & 8.00pm - Said service in the chapel

**10.30am - 12.30pm - Fair Trade's Big Brew at
Community Café**

Junior Church

Takes place in the hall during the morning service. All children of all ages are very welcome.

February 22nd

March 1st, 8th, 22nd, 29th

Tea Time Together at 4.00pm for families with children up to Yr 5

Youth Club from 6.00pm for

Years 6 -13

March 8th, May 10th, June 14th

Save the Date: Sunday 22 February - 6.30pm Choral Evensong

Come join in with others from around the deanery
as we worship together

**Today is the second reading of the
Banns of Marriage between**

Alice Marion Crampsie and Simon James Hatcher



Collect

See – Order of Service

First reading: Exodus 24.12-end

The Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.'

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Gospel reading: Matthew 17.1-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

Post-Communion Prayer

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please remember in your prayers this week...

The Community ...

For those to be baptised, confirmed and married this year.

The World ...

Pray for those affected by and for all suffering from the effects of climate change and natural disasters

The Sick ...

For those who are recently unwell, including Ann Swatton, Leonie Rhodes, Margaret Shaw, Robert Barnes, David Linstead and Bob Norfolk-Thompson. We continue to pray for Eileen Abbam, Sally Aldred, Angela Ash, and for those who seek our support by bringing these prayers to our church.

The Departed ...

We pray for everyone grieving the loss of loved ones, especially the family and friends of Peter Cooke and James Hope. We remember those whose anniversaries we keep this week: Cecil Raw, Beryl Powell, Rita Southern, Jane Elizabeth Saward, Avis Vigers, Toby James Heayberd, Linda Anne Agar

**Our Mission of the Month (MOM) for February is
ABCD Bethlehem**

There is a display at the back of the church. Each MOM receives equal donations from the church and donations from individuals.

Fair Trade's Big Brew 18th Feb at the Wednesday morning café.

Come and find out more about Fair Trade and the work they are doing. We will have a stall with new items on. A raffle with 3 prizes, (tickets will be available after the 10.30 services on Sunday and at the Wednesday cafés) prizes will be drawn on the day.

Fairtrade Dates

February – Wed 18th

March – Sun 8th, Wed 18th

April – Sun 12th, Wed 22nd

Taketime meditation

10.15am-11am in the chapel.

7th March, 11th April, 9th May,
13th June, 11th July, 12th Sept

Gospel Pairs booklets are at the back of Church, if you have signed up yours is labelled. There are some extra available if you wanted to take one for yourself. Copies can also be emailed, if you would like this please speak to Dave.

NOTICES.

- **Music Group Informal Lenten Service:** Sunday 1st March at 6.30pm, on the theme of renewal. Come and share an uplifting hour with us.
- **World Day of Prayer Service,** for the Beckenham Deanery, is being held here at St Mary's! Theme is "I will give you rest" and will be held all over the world on Friday the 6th March 2026. Our service will be at 11.30am with a light lunch and refreshments afterwards in church.
- **Lenten Prison Walk:** David Jefferys thanks all who have supported his walk on March 2nd. The target of £10000 has almost been reached. Further donations please see David or the form at the back of church.
- **Friends of St Mary's Quiz Night - 21st March - St Mary's Church Hall - 7pm for 7.30.** All welcome individually and we will find you a team. Or sign up as a team, with a maximum size of 8. Tickets are £5. There will be a donation bar. Nibbles on every table will be provided. Tickets, available via QR code in SPAN OR using the link below <https://tickets.myiknowchurch.co.uk/gb/NjY1MS00/t> or at the end of Church and Community Cafe.
- **Save the date.** The Bishop of Rochester The Rt Revd Dr Jonathan Gibbs will be preaching and presiding at our 10.30am service on 22nd March.

At St Mary's we take our safeguarding responsibilities very seriously: we are committed to ensuring our church and hall buildings are safe places for all. If you have any concerns about safeguarding you can contact our Parish

Safeguarding Officer Pauline Lambourne
safeguarding@stmaryshortlands.church or 020 8658 0470

Please use this QR code to make a donation to St Mary's.
Thank you.



Donations for Bromley Foodbank can be left in the church porch.
Items most needed are Tinned cold meats, cooking sauces, Long Life Dessert & Fruit Juice, instant coffee, bleach, washing up liquid, sanitary wear & kid's toothbrush.

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