

Please pray for

...all those who help with intercessions at **St John the Divine**

...**Fr. Jamil Khadir and the Anglican congregations in Nablus** in the West Bank

...**Christ's School** and all the staff as they begin the second half of term

...**the sick and those in need** - Nick von Berg, Frances Irwin, Julia Price, Hermione Lockyer, Ruth Scott, Ron Bond, Marc Cranfield-Adams, Bob Smith

...**the departed, may they rest in peace** - Pat Victory, Geoffrey Lupton

Let us know if you would like to add someone to the prayer list - usually added for 4 weeks. Contact admin@richmondteamministry.org

Palm Crosses needed for making ash for Ash Wednesday. Please collect any old palm crosses you have and hand them in at church over the next 2 Sundays. Thank you.

Today and This Week

Morning Prayer at St Mary Magdalene, 8.30am, Mondays to Fridays to start your day.

Evening Prayer at St John the Divine on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 4.30pm to end the day with quiet reflection.

You are invited to join with other Christians in Richmond for our monthly prayer meeting on **Thursday 28 February at 1.45pm** in the Chapel at Hickey's Almshouses on Sheen Road.

This year's (formerly Women's) **World Day of Prayer Service takes place on Friday 1st March at St Winefride's Church, Leybourne Park, Kew at 2.30pm** when we will gather with many other friends from all over Richmond to celebrate. The World Day of Prayer is an international, inter-church organisation and it is held in over 120 countries. The service has been prepared by the women of Slovenia, one of the smallest and youngest countries in Europe. Tea and cake will follow the service—Please join us!

The **next Recital at St Mary's** takes place on Saturday 2 March, 12.30pm 'Beyond the Choir Stalls', a programme of Madrigals, Close Harmony, Barbershop and some Gilbert & Sullivan. Beyond the Choirstalls is a small group of singers, mostly from the St Mary Magdalene

choir. It is led by Fay Johnstone.

Coming Up

20s & 30s – Our next meeting will be on Sunday 3 March, at 1pm in the Vicarage Basement, Ormond Road TW10 6TH when we will be meeting for food and a film. Please let Helen know if you can make it (along with details of any special diets).

✠ Ash Wednesday, 6 March 10.00am at St Mary Magdalene, and 8.00pm Team Eucharist at St John the Divine, both with imposition of ashes.

Preparing for Lent: make space in your diary to attend a Lent course this year. There will be 3 courses, all covering the same material, starting on Tuesday 5 March (yes, Shrove Tuesday) at St John's. The other courses are on Thursday evening at St Matthias House and Saturday mornings at The Vicarage, beginning respectively on 7 and 9 March. This year we will learn together about the Eucharist. More information to follow and books (£5) can be purchased at the first of each of the courses.

SevenUp (for those 7 years old and upwards) Saturday 9 March, 4-5.30pm, Vicarage Basement, Ormond Road, TW10 6TH. Baking and Lent focus. Please contact Helen to book in.

St Patrick's Dinner & Dance hosted by the Richmond Irish Network in aid of The Vineyard takes place on **Friday 15 March at London Welsh Rugby Club**. The night will kick off with a drinks reception at 7pm followed by a 3

course sit down dinner and live band. Tickets priced at £75 per head (includes the meal, half a bottle of wine and live entertainment) or £750 for a table of 10. **To reserve your tickets, please email seamusjoyce@yahoo.co.uk or phone 07969 065009.**

PoDs (for Secondary age youth) Sunday 17 March, 12.45, The Alhambra, Church Walk. Drinks, games and conversation.

We look forward to **Messy Lent**, our next Messy Church on Wednesday 20 March, 3.30-5.30pm at St Matthias. Please contact Anne if you are able to be part of the team; leading activities, welcoming, helping with refreshments, setting up/down. We would love to see all ages there for this informal way of being church!

The next meeting of the **Book Group** will be on 28 March at 7.30pm when we will discuss Evelyn Waugh: *Decline and Fall* as well as Susan Hill: *Howard's End is on the Landing*. For more information please contact Cedric Lee - cedric.lee180@gmail.com

ACMs at each church and the **Team APCM** will take place on Sunday 7 April—please put this date in your diary.

Greenbelt Festival, Boughton House, Northants. 23 – 26 August. An award winning festival with the Christian faith at its core. A range of music, performance, comedy, film, visual arts, workshops, literature, worship, ideas and things for youth & families. All in a beautiful setting. Book before the end of April for cheapest tickets. Speak to Helen for more information or visit: www.greenbelt.org.uk/

Pre-school Group

Our pre-school/carer and toddler group **Eaglets** meets on **Tuesdays 2-4pm**, St John's.

Various

After her knee surgery and illness **Revd Anne Crawford** is now on a phased return to work—please bear with her as she picks up the reins again.

ELECTORAL ROLL

Every 6 years a new Church Electoral Roll needs to be compiled, and 2019 is the next year that this needs to be done. The process will take place between Sunday 27 January – Tuesday 12 March 2019. **This means that, if you wish to be on the Electoral Roll, you will need to complete a new form – even if you were on the Roll last year.** Electoral Roll forms are available at the back of each of our churches and should be completed and posted in the 'Electoral Roll letterbox' at the back of church.

Meetings

Please pray for the following meetings taking place over the next few weeks:

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| 13.3.19 | Standing Committee |
| 19.3.19 | SMM Church Committee |
| 20.3.19 | Property & Finance Committee |

Carole Cregeen is hoping to **travel to Lourdes** again this summer (9-16 August) with a group of disabled and helpers. However, at the moment, they don't have a group nurse and without a nurse they can't travel. Are you a nurse, can you travel with them? A generous subsidy is available towards the fare. Please contact Carole Cregeen on 020 8408 0800 / 07957 229 266 carolecregeen@aol.com

RTM Pilgrimage to the Holy Land—12-20 October 2019—NOW IS DECISION TIME—we need to give final numbers to the tour company by the end of THIS WEEK. We have a brochure giving the full itinerary—please pick one up at the back of church. The cost will be £2,295. If you'd like further information, contact Revd Wilma Roest (contact details on back of sheet) or Revd Alan Sykes (8549 3887 or alan.sykes10@btinternet.com). Wilma and Alan will be leading the trip.