

Please pray for

...all those who help by working with children & young people at **St John the Divine**
 ...**Fr. Jamil Khadir** and the Anglican congregations in **Nablus** in the West Bank
 ...**Christ's School** and all involved in pastoral care
 ...**the sick and those in need** - Nick von Berg, Frances Irwin, Julia Price, Hermione Lockyer, Ron Bond, Marc Cranfield-Adams, Bob Smith, Patricia Doling, Mary Ricketts
Let us know if you would like to add someone to the prayer list - usually added for 4 weeks. Contact admin@richmondteamministry.org

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.

Our Lent Course continues this week, on Tuesdays, 7.45-9.00pm at St John's, Thursdays, 7.00-8.15pm at **3 Cambrian Road** and Saturdays, 10.45-12.00noon at The Vicarage. This year we are learning about the Eucharist. Books (£5) can be purchased at any of the courses.

Our **Messy Church** session that was scheduled for Wednesday 20 March has unfortunately had to be **CANCELLED**. Sorry to disappoint.

Next Saturday, 23 March – **'Junior Stations of the Cross'**, 12.00noon at St. John the Divine. Walking around the church spending time at each image, remembering Jesus' journey to the cross, with words, reflections and prayer. Suitable for school age children and adults.

Coming Up

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

A **celebration of the life of Revd Ruth**

Scott will be held at St Mary Magdalene on Saturday 30 March at 3.00pm. Ruth, who organised the service, asked that people wear something colourful and bring a single flower.

The **next recital** will be on Saturday 6 April, 12.30pm at St Mary Magdalene. Matthew Foster will play a programme of organ music.

ACMs will be held at each church (**please note that there will be no Matins at St Mary Magdalene on Sunday 7 April**) and the **Team APCM** will take place on Sunday 7 April—please put this date in your diary.

20's & 30's Group. Next meeting Sunday 7 April, 1.00pm in the Vicarage Basement, Ormond Road. TW10 6TH. This time we will share a Lenten lunch of soup, bread, cheese and fruit. Donations to go to the Bishop's Lent Appeal. Names beforehand are helpful. All who are roughly in their 20's & 30's are warmly invited to join us!

Passover Supper on Maundy Thursday, 18 April, 5-6.30pm. This year, due to restricted space we will be running a smaller Passover Supper for our school age children and young people only. This will be followed by a sleep over for KS2 children upwards. Please book in with Helen for both the supper and the sleep over. Suggested donation of £2.50/child which will help to cover costs and any surplus funds will go to the Bishops Lent appeal.

Pre-school Group

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

Lent Challenge – Week 2 – Making Space

Last week you were challenged to 'make time'. Why not have a chat with someone in church about your experience of trying to spend some time intentionally seeking God amidst the busyness of life. This week see if you can make space. What do you no longer need, no longer wear, no longer use? Donate to a charity shop or recycle and declutter. Make space for things that really matter and appreciate what you have.

Events in Lent

Stations of the Cross will take place at St John the Divine each Saturday in Lent starting at 12.00noon.

Lent lunches (*supporting the Bishop of Southwark's Lent Appeal*) will take place:

- ◆ Saturday 23 March, 12.30pm-2pm at St Mary Magdalene
- ◆ Saturday 6 April, 12.45pm at St John the Divine

ELECTORAL ROLL

The creation of the new Electoral Roll is now complete. However, we need to check that the details are accurate—a copy of the Roll is at the back of each church for proof-reading purposes. Please check your entry and mark on the sheet any changes that should be made. Please note that this document **MUST NOT BE REMOVED** from the church under any circumstances as it holds confidential information.

Various

Thanks to our SevenUp group and to those who supported them by buying their homemade bread rolls after the service at St. John's. Together we were able to raise £51 for Glass Door. A great achievement.

Away Giving for Financial Year 2018 – at the beginning of each year, we set aside a proportion of the previous year's income to donate to Charities and Organisations. We place particular focus on Church-based Charities and give careful consideration as to how much is donated abroad, as opposed to locally. We are also keen to support Charities that members of our congregations are either involved with, or have benefitted from. If you would like to nominate a charity/organisation for consideration for our charitable giving, please contact Charles Stiller (0778 700 900 or charles.stiller@barclays.com).

Meetings

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

- 19.3.19 SMM Church Committee
- 20.3.19 Property & Finance Committee

We are looking for a **new PCC Secretary** from Monday 8 April onwards. This is an exciting opportunity to be involved in the governance of RTM. It requires approximately 3 hours a week and a level of computer literacy. Please consider this urgently and speak to a member of the clergy.

We are also looking for a **Christian Aid Coordinator** to follow in Margot Buckley's footsteps. This is not an onerous role but requires organisational skills and a passion for Christian Aid. Please talk to Margot or the clergy for more information.

The **foodbank would be very grateful for more supplies** and they have helpfully produced an Ad-Lent calendar (which you can view here: <https://b30.foodbank.org.uk/2018/02/09/adlent-calendar/>). Urgently needed items are: cereals, jars/tins/pouches of baby food, laundry powder (or liquid), coffee, biscuits, tinned fruit, long life milk, tinned custard, pasta sauce, baby wipes, shampoo, washing up liquid, nappies, toothbrushes and toothpaste.