WHAT'S ON IN JANUARY Sunday 3rd **Epiphany** Monday 4th Teddington Community Café. SPSP. 1.30-4.30pm. We have created a calm and positive place for you to enjoy, with or without friends, open every Monday (also 11th, 18th & 25th) Wednesday 6th First Wednesday Group. Via Zoom. 12.45-2.15pm. Topic: Topic: Morality in Public Life. Zoom details: Meeting ID: 830 2123 5894 and Passcode: 901775 Pilgrim Courses 8.00pm. Further details and Zoom links to be announced Thursday 7th Parish Pub Coffee &/or Lunch Group. Via Zoom. 11.00am. We continue to meet every two weeks (every other Thursday). Subject to current Covid restrictions and weather constraints this can either be on Zoom, at the Anglers or both. All are welcome. For further information please email Trish on: fellowship@teddingtonparish.org or contact the parish office (also 21st) Sunday 10th **Baptism of Christ** Tuesday 12th Plain & Pearl. St Mary's Parish Hall. 7.30pm. A social knitting and crafting group. For details on how to attend go to: mailplainandpearl@gmail.com Wednesday 13th Pilgrim Courses (see 6th) Sunday 17th 2nd of Epiphany Monday 18th Sunday 24th Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: daily services at different churches, details will be posted on our website Tuesday 19th PCC Meeting (SMwSA). Via Zoom. 7.30pm

Wednesday 20th

Sunday 31st

Pilgrim Courses (see 6th)

3rd of Epiphany

Wednesday 27th Pilgrim Courses (see 6th)

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Clergy Comments

Perhaps more than any other year in our living memory, we are ready for a new start, the winter of 2020 is retreating and the spring of 2021 is being ushered in. I know that for some of us, the loss we've experienced in 2020 will take a long time to fade, but the

start of the vaccination programme is a sign of hope, which gives us optimism that 2021 will be very different from 2020.

Thanks to everyone who gave so generously to the food banks and Christmas lunches. As well as the joy of feasting over Christmas, we'd like to offer you some spiritual food to relish at the beginning of the New Year. To do this, we are going to run two courses; everyone's welcome to join us, it doesn't matter if you rarely go to church or go every week.

The courses will provide the opportunity to explore the Christian faith and see how it can be lived out in our daily lives. Each session includes a time of contemplation and discussion as part of a group.

One course will explore the big questions of faith through one of the greatest Christian treasures, *The Lord's Prayer*. This course is for those who are interested in finding out more or who are new to Christianity. It's an opportunity to engage with those who have been pondering the big questions of life.

The other course will explore what it means to live as a child of the kingdom of God and to follow in the way of Christ each day as a member of his Church. This is particularly for people who have been part of a Pilgrim course before, and who would like to take their faith to a deeper level.

We hope that at the start of this New Year, these courses will challenge and stimulate us, and bring us hope for the year ahead.

Caroline Halmshaw

January 2021 REGULAR SERVICES

St Mary with St Alban (SMwSA)

SUNDAYS

8.00am Holy Communion 10.00am Parish Communion

WEDNESDAYS

9.30am Holy Communion

St Peter and St Paul (SPSP)

SUNDAYS

9.00am Morning Worship

Online Worship

Livestreamed Sunday Service on our YouTube Channel

Morning Prayer (Mon-Fri, 8.30am, Sat 9.00am) via Zoom

Evening Prayer (Mon-Thurs, 6.00pm, Fri-Sat 5.00pm) via Zoom

All details and links are on our parish website www.teddingtonparish.org

Pilgrim Courses

Come and join us as we start two new courses to explore and deepen our faith

Every Wednesday evening at 8pm on Zoom 6th January – 10th February

Please contact Caroline if you would like to join one of the courses:

curate@stmarywithstalban.org

www.teddingtonparish.org

Glimpses of Victorian Teddington

Research based on a recently discovered document on the history of St. Alban's has highlighted many fascinating and renowned residents in Victorian Teddington. Here are two who had connections to St. Mary's.

The Rev. Daniel Trinder was Vicar of St. Mary's from 1857-78. He was a vigorous parish priest and noted preacher. He was also a man of vision, who realised that the growing population of Teddington would need another church, so St. Peter and St.



Paul's (photo) was conceived. It was more 'High Church' than St. Mary's, Apparently some parishioners disliked this and founded a third place of worship, Christ Church. Rev. Trinder did indeed follow High Church traditions, and in the early 1860s had mud and stones thrown at him with cries of 'No popery'. He was also a keen cricketer and was President of Teddington Cricket Club for many years until he left the parish in 1878.

Other noted Teddington residents were the Chinnery family. In 1871 Henry and his brother, William were living at Oxford Villas in the High Street, both working as

stockbrokers. We have to thank William Chinnery for the window at the west end of St. Mary's, memorial to his young wife, Mary, who died in childbirth in 1880. His brother Henry was equally generous to the church, and Henry's obituary in the *Bicester Her*-



The Three Marys

ald in 1914 said 'When he first went to Teddington he was a regular worshipper at the little church of St. Mary's. Later when things went well for him he combined with others to raise the income of the benefice, besides being a generous supporter of other parochial charities'. He gave at least £20,000 to fund the building of St. Alban's, (about £1.5m today). He was a nationally renowned sporting hero being a top boxer and athlete. William was also a well-known athlete, as well as a highly respected chess player, whose games are still available to watch on the Net.

Henry was instrumental in the founding of Teddington Studios as he allowed filmmakers to use the greenhouse of his riverside property, Weir House as a studio in the 1880s. This was the site for later development of the Studios.

Sue Stevens

Our Local Parish Charity

The Hampton Wick United Charity is a well established small charity providing grants to assist in education and to help those in need in the local area, including those living in the Parish of St Mary with St



Alban. It has, for example, provided wheelchairs, washing machines, cookers and white goods for those in receipt of benefits. Schools have been able to ensure that local children can go on school trips and Scouts and Guides have been helped to attend jamborees. Funding for sports and musical equipment has also been provided, and grants given to people to enable them to go on training courses.

If you know of anybody in the area who is in need of help, then HWUC may be able to assist. Applications are normally considered three times a year, but in an emergency could be assessed immediately. All applications are considered confidentially and compassionately, and anybody who wishes to seek help should contact the Clerk to the Trustees, 258 Hanworth Road, Hounslow TW3 3TY. Tel: 020 8737 0371 or e-mail info@hwuc.org. There is further information on the website, https://hwuc.org

David Matthews

Be a Star (no Bazaar)

It has been a very strange year for us all and we knew when we started planning the Christmas Bazaar that we were not going to be able to run it in its usual format. The Bazaar is not just a critical fundraising event, but also a social initiative to bring the community together. Therefore, we tried extremely hard to create an alternative which could do both things, including a Christmas café idea; but we had to accept that for this year at least we would need to compromise.



The Star Tree in Church

Therefore, came up with the idea of a raffle which could be actionline vated through donations to the parish website throughout November. Plus, everyone who donáted also received their

own special star with their name

on which was hung on the Christmas tree in church - hence the name!

And thanks to everyone's generosity and that of our fantastic high street providing the raffle prizes, we managed to raise an astonishing £4,600 which combined with the amazing sales of Plain & Pearl meant that we raised £5,400. What is incredible about this figure is that it's the amount we generally raise through the bazaar.

We also had some Zoom fun to mark what would have been the day of the bazaar, with a fireside chat with Santa, and tea and cake with the Vicar.

Thank you for all your support and amazing donations and Happy New Year!

Kristie Woodhouse

Parish Registers

BAPTISMS – We welcome into Christ's Church:

13th December: Kubra Cengiz and Firat Cengiz

FUNERALS – We remember with thanksgiving the lives of:

10th December: Patricia Davidson (79) 11th December: Cynthia Goulbourn (70)

2021 Census - March 21st

Households across Richmond upon Thames will soon be asked to take part in the nationwide survey of housing and the population. It has been carried out every decade since 1801, apart from 1941.

Information from the digital-first census will help decide how services, such as surgeries, housing and bus routes, are planned and funded. Maximising response rates is vital to ensuring that councils can make informed decisions to better help vulnerable local communities.

Households will receive a letter with a unique access code in the post, allowing them to complete their questionnaire online. Paper questionnaires will be available on request. For more information, visit census.gov.uk, or email Christopher.Stokes16@field.census.gov.uk

Penny Munkenbeck's blanket

Penny, who recently died, was a long-time active member of the congregation of St. Mary with St. Alban's, and hence Plain & Pearl. She had had a pioneering career in engineering, which resulted in her always needing to be busy and hence becoming a prolific knitter and crafter. Penny was one of the first members and she created a number of very beautiful things, and always joined in all the projects being carried out by the group. Penny really

enjoyed giving back to the community.

Her last project was a hand knitted patchwork squares Baby Blanket in pastel rainbow colours for the Christmas Bazaar. To com-



memorate Penny we are raffling the blanket. A donation (large or small) can be made to the church via the red donate button on the parish website. Your name will be entered into the raffle which will be drawn in church on January 31st.

Josie Shantonas