

WHAT'S ON IN OCTOBER

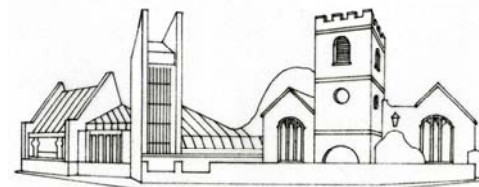
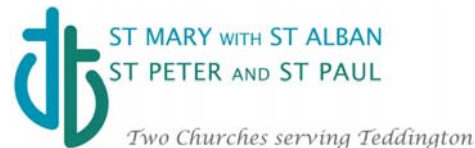
Everything in this diary comes with an open invitation, and you are very welcome to bring a friend or two with you. Go to our website to find all the details and we look forward to seeing you there: www.teddingtonparish.org/whats-on/

Saturday 2	Parish Plod, Capital Ring Walk. <i>See article.</i>
Sunday 3	Harvest Festival. Services at 8.00, 9.00 and 10.00am. Please bring tinned or dried food items (no baked beans or tomato soup). Harvest Lunch. St Mary's Parish Hall. 12noon. All welcome to this sit-down, homemade lunch. Must pre-book (sign-up sheet at back of church or contact Parish Office). Donations will be requested for lunch. This is also our welcome back event for Joe, on his return from sabbatical.
Monday 4	Teddington Community Café. SPSP. 1.30-4.30pm. Also 11, 18 & 25. Young Voices from Israel-Palestine. On Zoom. 7.00pm. <i>See article.</i> Handbell Team. St Mary's Parish Hall. 7.15pm. Also 11, 18 & 25.
Tuesday 5	Parish Pub Lunch. The King's Head. 11.30am. Memory Café. SPSP. 1.30-3.00pm. Dinner and Diversity. St Mary's Parish Hall. 7.30pm. <i>See article.</i>
Wednesday 6	First Wednesday discussion group. Mina Hogan Room, St Mary's Parish Hall. 12.45-2.15pm. Topic: <i>Population: Control?</i> Bring your packed lunch.
Thursday 7	Activate Running Club. <i>Up & Running</i> , Broad Street. 7.30am. Also 14, 21 & 28. Activate Soup & Stretch. SPSP + on Zoom. 12.30pm. Also 14, 21 & 28.
Sunday 10	Choral Evensong. SMwSA. 6.30pm.
Tuesday 12	Plain & Pearl social crafting group. On Zoom. 7.30pm.
Thursday 14	Parish Coffee. On Zoom. 10.30am. Also 28.
Saturday 16	Churchyard Gardening. SMwSA. 10.00am. Also Thursday 21.
Tuesday 19	Parish Pub Coffee. The Anglers. 11.00am.
Tuesday 26	Plain & Pearl social crafting group. St Mary's Parish Hall. 7.30pm. Newspaper Carrier Bag Making Workshop. Book via our website.
LOOKING AHEAD TO NOVEMBER	
Tuesday 2	All Souls Service. SMwSA. 8.00pm; when we will read out the names of loved ones departed.

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Clergy Comment

Harvest is a time of celebration and thanksgiving for all the good things in life we enjoy, especially the delicious seasonal fruit and crops. My English teacher told me autumn was her favourite season. At the time this struck me as odd, I'd always supposed that the new life of spring was the most enticing, but I think she was right, the autumn is more spectacular; it speaks of flourishing and completeness.

There is so much to be thankful for, as well as the food we enjoy; in our church community we celebrate the 10th anniversary of Plain & Pearl, a group that meets twice a month to craft, chat and eat cake. Plain & Pearl has provided an opportunity for creativity and community over these years and is a blessing for the church especially when looking for a Christmas gift or decoration.

In this season of plentifulness please can I draw your attention to the article from our Sustainability Group. Climate change and Covid have pushed us into being more aware of where our food comes from, and the need to make positive choices to protect the environment. Please come and join in our programme of activities in the run up to COP26.

I'm particularly grateful for all the support I've been given during Joe's sabbatical which, as you read this, will have finished. Everyone is welcome at our Harvest Festival on 3rd October which is also Joe's first service back, followed by lunch in the Church Hall. Like autumn, this period of time has flourished with productivity. It's been a busy three months, but one of which I hope we will all enjoy the fruits for many months to come.

Revd Caroline Halmshaw

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October 2021 SERVICES

at SMwSA unless stated

~ Online service only;
* In-person + livestreamed service

SUNDAYS:

8.00am Holy Communion
9.00am Morning Worship
10.00am Parish Communion*

MONDAYS – SATURDAYS:

8.30am Morning Prayer, on Zoom (Mon-Fri and 9am Sat)~
9.00am-5.00pm Church open for Private Prayer

6pm Evening Prayer, on Zoom (Mon-Thur and 5pm Fri-Sat)~

WEDNESDAYS:

9.30am Holy Communion
10.30am Church Mice Toddler Service

THURSDAYS:

12 noon Abide Service at SPSP

Go to our website for further details:
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Harvest Festival

Sunday 3rd October

8.00, 9.00 & 10.00am services
(10.00am livestreamed)

12.00noon Homemade Lunch

All the details on our website:

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The Parish Plod

In October 2020, a small group of 14 parishioners set out on our "Parish Plod", a circuit of London by way of 15 stages of the Capital Ring, a strategic walking route promoted by 33 London councils. With the intent of walking one section each month, we planned to complete the endeavour around the end of 2021 but, as with many things over the last 12 months, the pandemic has intervened so that the final stage is unlikely to be before the second half of next year.

Starting at Section 5 (Streatham to Wimbledon Park) the group has now completed 7 sections, (most recently Hendon Park to Highgate) and is looking forward to the walk from Highgate to Stoke Newington on **Saturday 2nd October**. On each walk, one of our number reconnoitres the route to avoid any missed turnings on the day, and on occasion we have been treated to insights on the history and geography that we pass. The walks have proved to be very enjoyable – so much so that those who have been unable to make the "official" date have often completed the section on another occasion – and the common sentiments have been firstly, how little we know of our own capital, and secondly, surprise at the quantity of green space, often in the most unexpected areas!



All are welcome on these walks, so if you are interested in joining our intrepid explorers – either on 2nd October or for a future stage – please get in touch with Robin Field-Smith to be included in our Parish Plod WhatsApp group, robin.fieldsmith@icloud.com.

David and Katherine Matthews

Sustainability Action Group



On the 9th of May 2021, the parish hosted our climate-focused service where the Sustainability Action Group (SAG) shared our Sustainability Declaration and initial 6-months plan. Since then, the Group has been working on several actions as well as sharing information through the Green Feeds on the parish website. Looking ahead, the group expects to run more events for community members and provide the community with more opportunities to get involved.

At this point our plans include activities around COP26 – the United Nations major international climate conference which is taking place from the 1st-12th November in Glasgow. COP26-themed actions include an article, an online event and a supper talk.

However, the recently released 6th assessment report by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) reaffirmed the urgent need for us all to act to minimise the impacts of the climate emergency, and to support those affected by the climate crisis. So we believe that it's important the COP26 not be the sole focus. Therefore we are planning to organise educational sessions, providing the opportunity to hear knowledgeable speakers, and to meet with local vendors offering sustainable produce.

SAG believe that it is important to focus on these issues because as Christians we have a responsibility to safeguard God's creation and to love our neighbours around the world, many of whom are already feeling the devastating impacts of climate change.

If you'd like to learn more about the Group, or if you'd like to get involved in some way, please contact us at sustainability@teddingtonparish.org

James Morris

Support for Afghan Refugees

At present we know of three possible ways of supporting them

www.act.refugeecouncil.org.uk/donation/refugee-crisis-appeal – for donations

www.help-refugees-uk.service.gov.uk – a way to offer help in Kingston upon Thames

www.sulha-alliance.org – specifically helping former interpreters and their families.

Glass Door Sleep Out



Sign up for this revelatory experience taking place on **Friday, 1st October 2021** in Chelsea. For one night, could you give up your bed to raise funds and awareness of homelessness and Glass Door's life-saving work, or sponsor someone else to do so?

You can take part in your own back garden or a location of your choosing.

How do I sign up?

Sign up, or find someone to sponsor, by going to www.glassdoor.org.uk

Let us know where you're taking part and if you're on your own or with a group.

"Young Voices from Israel-Palestine"

Richmond Inter Faith Forum invites you to join up for "**Young Voices from Israel-Palestine**" on **Monday 4th October at 19.00**.

This rare opportunity to hear and interact directly with young people in the region from Palestinian and Israeli backgrounds will be led by "Solutions not Sides", a charity aiming to tackle anti-Muslim prejudice, antisemitism and polarisation around the issue of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict in the UK.

Register at <https://riff-young-voices-israel-palestine.eventbrite.co.uk>. Registrants will receive the Zoom link at least 24 hours before the event.

*Jeremy Rodell,
Vice Chair, Richmond Inter Faith Forum*

Dinner and Diversity

Please join us on **Tuesday 5th October at 7.30pm** in the St. Mary's Parish Hall for a homemade supper, and discussion of the very relevant issue of diversity in our Church and in society. We will start our discussions with a screening of extracts from the excellent C4 documentary '*The School That Tried to End Racism*'.

Pre-booking necessary, so please sign up in church or contact Suzanne in the Parish Office.

Parish Registers

BAPTISMS – *We welcome into Christ's Church:*

15th August: Jasper David, son of Nicola and Lee Clatworthy

22nd August: Freddie William, son of James and Harriet Excell

29th August: Joseph Alexander and Charlotte Inga, son and daughter of Katherine and Alistair Stark

5th September: Noah Jonathan and Harvey Jonathan sons of Jonathan and Sarah Mulshaw

12th Sept: Millie Caoimhe and Clara Fiadh daughters of Ciaran and Abigail O'Gorman

FUNERALS – *We remember with thanksgiving the lives of:*

18th August: Peter Griffiths (86)

31st August: Pat Bennett (95)

6th September: David Pether (77)

8th September: Pauline Johnson (93)

16th September: Timothy Wood (84)

For people living in Richmond, Kingston, Hounslow and neighbouring boroughs

YOUNG VOICES FROM ISRAEL-PALESTINE

Monday 4th October 2021

7.00-8.30pm

(via Zoom)

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RICHMOND INTER FAITH FORUM

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