



## Parish Prayers Week Commencing 4<sup>th</sup> May 2025

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer	Eucharist
<b>Monday</b>	St Mary's 8.45am St Matthew's 9am		
<b>Tuesday</b>	St Mark's 8.30am St Mary's 8:45am St Matthew's 9am	St Mary's 5pm St Matthew's 5pm	
<b>Wednesday</b>	St Mark's 8.30am St Mary's 8:45am	St Mary's 5pm St Matthew's 5pm	St Matthew's 10am St Mary's 12 noon St Mark's 1pm
<b>Thursday</b>	St Mary's 8.45am St Matthew's 9am	St Matthew's 5pm	
<b>Friday</b>	St Mary's 8.45am St Matthew's 9am	St Mary's 5pm St Matthew's 5pm	
<b>Saturday</b>	St Mary's 12 noon		

### Parish News

**Team Prayers:** Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May at St Mary's.

**Rafters, our Parish Youth Group:** 6pm - 7.30pm on Sundays. For young people in years 8 - 13. A space to discover friendship, belonging, faith and your place in the world. This Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May at St Mary's Church and next Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May at St Mark's Church.

**Bible Study & Prayer Group:** Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May, 10am to 11.15am. A reminder that the group meets at Shara Leonard's house, 5 Montana Road, SW20 8TW. May's theme is "*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me.*" New members always welcome. Contact: [cynthiajacksonrev@gmail.com](mailto:cynthiajacksonrev@gmail.com).

**Christian Aid Car Boot Sale:** Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May, 8am - 1pm in St Mary's Field. [stmaryswimbleton.org/events](http://stmaryswimbleton.org/events). Items to sell for Christian Aid (e.g. bric-a-brac) are welcome. Enquiries: [julietboyd0740@gmail.com](mailto:julietboyd0740@gmail.com)

**Faith In Action Charity Concert:** Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May, 6.45pm. London Welsh Male Voice Choir in concert at St. Matthew's Church. Please email [mcalisterbernie675@gmail.com](mailto:mcalisterbernie675@gmail.com)

**Wimbledon Green Churches Event:** Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May, 7pm at St Mark's Church. Isabel Losada will be talking about her book "The Joyful Environmentalist". Enquiries: [julietboyd0740@gmail.com](mailto:julietboyd0740@gmail.com)

**Wimbledon Guild Charity Bridge:** Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2-5pm at St Mary's Garden Hall. Enjoy an afternoon of Chicago Bridge. Further details and to book: [wimbledonguild.co.uk/bridge](http://wimbledonguild.co.uk/bridge) Enquiries: email [events@wimbledonguild.co.uk](mailto:events@wimbledonguild.co.uk) or call 0208 946 0735.

**Parish Ascension Day Service:** Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May, 8pm at St Mary's. Come along and celebrate Ascension Day together. The service will end with rockets in the field.

Please email parish news items by 9am Wednesday each week to [rachel.rowell@parishofwimbledon.org.uk](mailto:rachel.rowell@parishofwimbledon.org.uk)



# St Mark's

The Church at the Heart of Wimbledon  
Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Welcome! Whether you are a visitor or a regular member of the congregation, we pray that you might come closer to God during the service.

**Children & young people:** We currently have a single group for children pre-school age and above that meets in the hall after the first hymn. We ask that children under four are accompanied. Do join us!

**Parents with babies & toddlers** are welcome to use the chapel at the back of the church behind the glass windows. There are toys and books provided, & a loudspeaker so you can hear what is happening during the service.

**Thinking of making a donation to the church?** You can give contactlessly using the card reader at the back of church, or via your mobile phone using the QR code in the Entrance Area. If you give regularly, why not join the Planned Giving Scheme? This is an easy way to give, and helps the church plan its finances. Contact Sheila Dunman: [s.dunman@btinternet.com](mailto:s.dunman@btinternet.com), for more information, or pick up a Planned Giving form from the back of St Mark's.

**Mobile telephones:** Please ensure these are turned off / silent during the service.

**After the service** please collect a tea, coffee or squash in the narthex (entrance hall).

**Can't be here every Sunday?** We can help you stay in touch with St Mark's by emailing the notice and readings sheets to you each week. Please email your request to [office@stmarkswimbleton.org.uk](mailto:office@stmarkswimbleton.org.uk).

### Our mission statement, purpose, and reason for being here:

- To be enriched by the love of God
- To extend the welcome of God
- To express the compassion of God

**Vicar:** Rev'd Jane Andrews 07591 203468 [jane.andrews@stmarkswimbleton.org.uk](mailto:jane.andrews@stmarkswimbleton.org.uk)

**Pastoral Minister:** Paula Thorvaldsen 07711 887430 [paula@stmarkswimbleton.org.uk](mailto:paula@stmarkswimbleton.org.uk)

Church Office hours: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 9.30am – 1.30pm  
020 8944 8436 [office@stmarkswimbleton.org.uk](mailto:office@stmarkswimbleton.org.uk)

Items for inclusion should reach the Church Office by 9am Wednesday of each week.

### Prayer requests - please pray for:

Margaret Ramsay	Robert Lavandera Mendez
Gerald Dorman	Ann Cramp
Andrew Ross	Albert Fox
Olive Douglas	Tina Joseph
Nick Wolff	Holly Hayes

Organisations that St Mark's supports: this month we are praying for **Pearls of Africa Special Needs Centres**

**RIP:** Don Cramp

*If you would like to add an individual to our prayer request list, please email the Church Office or use the intercession folder at the back of the Church.*

**Food Bank Donations:** Please keep supporting local food banks if you can as so many people are struggling to feed their families. There is a basket in the Church entrance for donations to the St Mark's Parish Pantry. If you are not able to bring your donation to church, please let me know, and I will gladly collect the items from you. We are particularly in need of washing powder/liquid (smaller sizes, please, so they are easy to carry), tinned meat, cooking sauces, tinned vegetables, puddings, tea, coffee, sugar, cereal, bubble bath, shower gel, deodorant, shampoo and sanitary products. Thank you very much for your support! *Paula Thorvaldsen.*

**Church Office:** The Church Office will be closed from Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May and will re-open on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May. *Becky Bryant.*

### Christian Aid Week: St Mark's Activities

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May: Participating in the car boot sale at St Mary's field. 8am – 1pm.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May: Cake sale after the 10am service. Contributions needed please.

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May: Catherine's birthday party – all invited! Details from Catherine.  
*Catherine Sutton.*

### Notices

**Thank you:** Enormous thanks to everyone who made our Holy Week and Easter possible. It was a joy to mark this season with you all. *Jane Andrews.*

**Feedback on recent services:** I hope you found our services for Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter nourishing and challenging. If you have any comments or thoughts that you would be willing to share, please speak to Paula, Jane or Anian. *Jane Andrews.*

**PCC:** The next PCC meeting will be held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May. *Jane Andrews.*

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May - Annual Church Meeting:** During the service we will reflect on the church's activities in 2024 and elect our new DCC to lead us in the coming year. *Jane Andrews.*

**DCC Nominations:** DCC is the committee that works with the vicar to lead our church. If you might be interested in being part of the committee you can find out more by talking to existing members. Current members are Catherine Sutton, Jane Andrews, Janet McKenzie, Jenny Alderman, Nick Wolff, Paul Dorman, Paula Thorvaldsen, Sandy Blewitt and Sue Fairburn. *Jane Andrews.*

**St Mark's Coffee Morning:** Meeting in Elys (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Restaurant) on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 11am. An opportunity for conversation and friendship. All very welcome. *Paula Thorvaldsen.*

**APCM:** The APCM will be held on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> May in St Mary's Garden Hall. *Jane Andrews.*

**Next Week:** Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May marks the start of Christian Aid week. St Mark's has been supporting Christian Aid for many years and today we continue that support by praying for their development work and advocacy. As we hear from Aurelia, a Guatemalan woman, about the role she plays in her community, we will reflect on what it means for us to be a part of God's resurrection right here and right now. Reading: John 10.22–30. *Jane Andrews.*

### Children & Young People

Sunday Club is back for the Summer term when we will be finding out more about figures from the Bible. We currently have a single group for children pre-school age and above that meets in the hall after the first hymn. We ask that children under four are accompanied. Do join us!

*Beccy and Steph*



**Thy Kingdom Come - Light Up the World in Prayer:** The Diocese of Southwark invites you to join a family friendly celebration on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June 3pm - 5pm at Southwark Cathedral. Celebrate the joy of Pentecost with an afternoon filled with fun, creativity and interaction, and an exciting programme of activities for all ages. Refreshments will be provided. Free entry. Please book via the QR code. *Jane Andrews.*



**Electoral Roll:** The Electoral Roll for St Mark's is now ready. If you would like to see a list of names a copy is available in the church office. Please ask to see the list after a service or contact Becky Bryant to arrange an alternative time. This list will be used for elections at our Annual Church Meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> May (if there are any). After the meeting you can ask to be added to or removed from the list at any time. *Jane Andrews.*

**Altar Flowers:** To donate towards flowers for sponsorship, the flowers cost £25 per week, part donations welcome. Please sign the list at the back of church or email Sandy at [sblewitt@email.com](mailto:sblewitt@email.com). Thank you! *Sandy Blewitt.*