

## WHAT'S ON?

**Flower Rota:** the new rota is available in the back to sign up and donate flowers through February 2017

**Lunchtime Fellowship:** This Tuesday at 12.30pm focus on Lord's Prayer

**Bottle in the Box:** there are 3 bottles this time. Pop your £2 in the envelope and write your name next to the bottle you hope to win.

**Spree Books** are available. £20, £5 of which goes to St Mary's. See Mary Allardyce

**Organ Recital:** 1 October at 8pm by John Riley of Edinburgh: Musical Discoveries and Conjectures. Chauvet; Gigout; Linke; Wachs; J. S. Bach in East London; Brahms and a Lady on a Bicycle; Postman Pat's Bad Day; Improvisations on submitted themes. Free entry, donations welcome.

**Harvest Sunday:** on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of October, we will celebrate Harvest Sunday. There will be a bring-and-share lunch after service. Please come along!

**10er Challenge** Save £10/week for one year, to help with the cost of replacing our failing heating system.

## WHO'S WHO?

**Rector:** The Revd Dr James Merrick  
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**Organist:** Mr Christopher Black



**SAINT MARY'S**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, 28 August 2016

## WELCOME TO SAINT MARY'S

Relax and rest in God from the past week.

Rejoice with friends and family.

Be renewed by shared prayer, adoration and thanksgiving.

**Children** of all ages are welcome. Our children's programme occurs during the 10.15am service.

**Communion** is open to all who love Jesus Christ. You may drink from the chalice or dip the bread into it. If you prefer not to receive communion, you are welcome to come to the altar for a blessing; indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.

**Coffee, tea and biscuits** are enjoyed after the 10.15am service.

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## RECTOR'S REFLECTION: HONOUR AND LOVE

I've just returned from the memorial for my doctoral supervisor. Professor John Webster passed away on the 25<sup>th</sup> of May, two days after and one year younger than my father. One of the statements repeated throughout the service and in the various memorials was that, although he was perhaps the greatest theologian of our time, John had little interest in his reputation or exploiting it against others. John enjoyed the study of God, and he enjoyed the company of those who were serious about it rather than their prestige. For John, using theology as a method of self-promotion not only missed the point; it was contrary to the very purpose of theology: honouring God. In today's Gospel, we read of people so focused on their own honour that they could not see the most honourable person, Jesus Christ. He tells us that whoever exalts themselves will be humbled. Elsewhere he tells us that the meek shall inherit the earth. The only honour that is genuine, that satisfies is the honour of those who honour God.

## HOLY COMMUNION (1970 LITURGY) at 8 and 10.15AM

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Hymn 17, All People That On Earth Do Dwell

**Prayer for the Week:** Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

First Lesson Proverbs 25.6-7

Psalm 112: *Beatus vir*

**R=Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord**  
Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord  
and have great delight in his commandments!  
Their descendants will be mighty in the land;  
the generation of the upright will be blessed. **R**

Wealth and riches will be in their house,  
and their righteousness will last for ever.  
Light shines in the darkness for the upright;  
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion. **R**

It is good for them to be generous in lending  
and to manage their affairs with justice.  
For they will never be shaken;  
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance. **R**

They will not be afraid of any evil rumors;  
their heart is right;  
they put their trust in the Lord.  
Their heart is established and will not shrink,  
until they see their desire upon their enemies. **R**

They have given freely to the poor,  
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;  
they will hold up their head with honor. **R**

The wicked will see it and be angry;  
they will gnash their teeth and pine away;

the desires of the wicked will perish. **R**

Second Lesson

Hebrews 13.1-8, 15-16

The Gradual Hymn

473, The Church's One Foundation

The Gospel

Luke 14.1, 7-14

The Sermon

The Rector

### LITURGY OF THANKSGIVING

Offertory Hymn

6, Abide with Me

**Post Communion Prayer:** God of glory, you have honoured us with your presence in the Eucharistic meal: let us ever honour you rather in our lives. We ask this in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Concluding Hymn

503, Thine Be the Glory

### INTERCESSIONS FOR THIS WEEK

**Aberdeen Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer:** Holburn West, and the Revd Duncan Eddie

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan & Sudan The Most Revd Dr Daniel Deng Bul Yak Archbishop of the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan & Sudan & Bishop of Juba

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** St Margaret's, Gallowgate and the Very Revd Dr Emsley Nimmo

**St Mary's, Carden Place:** the Revd Dr James Merrick and family; the Revd Jason Hobbs; Elizabeth Smyth; the Stephens family; Jonathan Strickland; the Sutton family; the Thomson family; and all who are not with us.