

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, EATON BRAY
with
EDLESBOROUGH & ALL SAINTS, DAGNALL



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WELCOME TO ST MARY'S

9TH AUGUST 2026; TRINITY 10

Services this week

Sunday 9 th August	10.00	Parish Communion
	15.00	Hymns on the Green
Monday 10 th	19.30	Ringing Practice
Tuesday 11 th	10.30	Prayer & Praise
Wednesday 12 th	10.00	Morning Prayer
Thursday 13 th	10.00	Archdeacon's Inspection
Sunday 16 th	8.00	Holy Communion
	10.00	Café Church
	10.30	Holy Communion at All Saints' , Dagnall
	12.00	Parish Lunch in Village Hall

Important Information

Please note our 10.00 Sunday service EB today, will be streamed

Hymns

Sheet - Abba Father; My Jesus; The Spirit lives; 202; 453; 416;
Sheet – O Let the Son of God enfold you

Collect

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

1 Kings 19:9–18

A reading from the first book of Kings.

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to

take it away.’ He said, ‘Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.’ Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, ‘What are you doing here, Elijah?’ He answered, ‘I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.’ Then the LORD said to him, ‘Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.’

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Romans 10:5–15

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that ‘the person who does these things will live by them.’ But the righteousness that comes from faith says, ‘Do not say in your heart, “Who will ascend into heaven?”’ (that is, to bring Christ down) ‘or “Who will descend into the abyss?”’ (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? ‘The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart’ (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, ‘No one who believes in him will be put to shame.’ For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, ‘Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’ But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim

him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Matthew 14:22–33

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glorify to you, O Lord

Immediately after feeding the crowd with the five loaves and two fish, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

FOR OUR PRAYERS

In our prayers for the Church this week, we pray for the Episcopal Church of the Philippines and in our own diocese, the Diocesan Youth Initiatives and the Youth Officer.

In our own community we pray today for all who live in Wallace Drive, Richmond Court, Comp Gate, Mill Tower and Wallace Mews.

We pray for those preparing for baptism and the recently baptised.

We pray for the person to be our new Vicar and for the appointing team.

In the wider world we pray for emergency and rescue services.

We pray for the sick and those who have died recently. We pray for all who are grieving losses.

At their year's mind, we remember David Phillips, Victor Hawkes, Byron Murrell, Lilian Fenn, Donnie Ayers, John Leader and Sheila Scott.

A verse for us to reflect on: 1 Corinthians 16:v13

Be on your guard; stand firm in faith

This verse will be displayed also, in the North Chapel

NOTICES

THANKYOU

Thanks again to everyone who helped in any way with last Saturday's 'Cake & Coffee' morning. I enjoyed being waited on and catching up with people! The atmosphere was wonderful and it was great to see everyone enjoying the morning, A special thanks to those who helped put the tables and chairs away. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the lovely cards, prayers and good wishes I received after my recent successful hip replacement surgery! See you all next month – 5th September. Very Best Wishes and Thanks, Marion

CALLED TO PRAY

At the recent vacancy meeting with the Bishop and Archdeacon, we were invited to pray, pray, pray for the person to be our new Vicar and for the appointing team. The Archdeacon believes God already knows, but our prayers really matter. This prayer group meets on the last Friday of the month and is open to all St Mary's congregation where we pray for all church activities and growth and for our new Vicar.

Prayer Matters Team.

NCG ANNUAL SERVICE

On Sunday 30th August the NCG annual service will be held at St Mary's Eaton Bray at 10am led by Nicola Lenthal and Kaushal.

Let's offer a warm welcome to all NCG churches when they join us from other parishes. Sheila and Chriss (NCG reps).

STEPHEN AXFORD

Stephen (our organist) will be licensed as a Reader in St Albans Abbey on Sunday 27th September at 4pm. If you would like to join those from St Mary's supporting him, and the other new Readers in the diocese, then please sign up on the sheet near the door, to help the Abbey with seating arrangements and refreshments.

ALL are welcome!

HYMNS ON THE GREEN TODAY

Sunday 9th August at 3pm

A warm invitation to join churches of Eaton Bray, Dagnall,
Edlesborough/Kensworth and Northall at
Hymns of Praise on Edlesborough Green
Led by The Salvation Army Band
Bring your garden chairs and Picnic Rugs
Refreshments in Edlesborough Chapel

*So, bring your chair!
Bring your listening ear!
Come, sing some hymns
in some nice fresh air.*

SAVE THE DATE

Coming soon. The World's Biggest Coffee Morning here at St Mary's on
Friday 25th September. 10.00 till Midday. Fundraising for Macmillan
Cancer support.

More to follow nearer the date. Sheila

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