

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



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WELCOME TO ST MARY'S

16TH NOVEMBER 2025; 2nd before Advent

Services this week

Sunday 16 th November	8.00	Holy Communion
	10.00	Café Church
	10.30	Holy Communion at All Saints, Dagnall
	12.00	Parish Lunch in Village Hall
Monday 17 th	13.45	Eaton Bray Academy
	19.30	Bell Ringing Practice
Wednesday 19 th	10.00	Holy Communion
	14.00	Eaton Bray Academy
Thursday 20 th	18.00	Beavers
Friday 21 st	15.00	Railway Exhibition
Saturday 22 nd	10.00	Railway Exhibition
Sunday 23 rd	10.00	Parish Eucharist

Important Information

***Please note our 10.00 Sunday service today
WILL NOT BE live streamed.***

Collection of your envelopes and other offerings will now be taken during the service. We also have the Sum Up unit on the desk by the South Door, for easy contactless payment of your donations. Or you could scan the QR code (please see on the large notice board) on your mobile phone.

Collect

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Thessalonians

Now we command you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from every brother or sister living irresponsibly and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not irresponsible when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living irresponsibly, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

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

Luke 21:5-19

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

Glory to you O Lord

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down." They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents

and great signs from heaven. “But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls. This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ**

A verse for us to reflect on: John 16:33

Take heart I have overcome the world

This verse will be displayed also, in the North Chapel

FOR OUR PRAYERS

In our prayers for the Church this week, we pray for the Anglican Church of Tanzania and in our own diocese, Churches in the Deanery of Dunstable.

In our own community we pray today for those who live in Edlesborough High Street.

We pray for our Stephen, our organist and for Ken and Elizabeth.

In the wider world we pray for young people and their clubs, societies and organisations.

We pray for the sick; and those who have died recently. We pray for their families and friends at this time and for all who are grieving losses. At their year's mind, we remember Sally Clark, Pearl Ginn, Albert Hill, Mel Grundy, Marjorie Harborough and Margaret Bis.

NOTICES

REVAMPED WEBSITE NEWS

St Mary's now has a refreshed website at
<https://www.stmaryseatonbray.org.uk>

Please have a look - it's a work in progress.

Elizabeth Axford is the contact for news, reviews, events, and publicity at elizabethaxford@yahoo.co.uk - please send her lots of lovely information!

CHURCHES TOGETHER

Weds 19th November at 2pm
A workshop at Northall Baptist Church,
mounting pictures ready for distribution
anyone welcome who would like to help.

MUSIC @ ST MARY'S – FESTIVAL FOR CHRISTMAS

Sunday 7th December, starting at 2.00pm, an afternoon of festive music
provided by South Beds Concert Band and Stephen Axford.
Tickets are £10.00 each and available from 01525 222238

Vicar: Revd Joy Cousans (01525 220261)

***Please note: Joy's day off is Friday -
Please do not contact her on this day.***

Churchwarden: Catherine Hayden (01525 220527)

