SUNDAY, 5 JANUARY

We welcome Sandy May as our organist today

New – Team Vicar at St Mary's: We are delighted to say that the Bishop of Southwark, in consultation with Revd Jonathan Haynes, has appointed Revd Ayoob Adwar to be the Team Vicar of St Mary's, subject to the usual legal requirements. Ayoob, with his wife Nezha, son Samuel and her cousin Walid, will move to the Parish towards the beginning of Lent and he will be licensed by the Bishop of Southwark, at St Mary's, in March.

New - Calling all drivers: We are in urgent need of additional volunteers to support our happy band of drivers who kindly transport regular attendees to St Mary's who cannot otherwise come to the Sunday service. You'll need a car that can take 2 passengers, and be willing to undertake church driving once a month. Please email Ed Coke on - ejcoke70@gmail.com for more details. Many thanks.

New - Andrew Cherry's thanksgiving service will take place at All Saints at 11.30am, on Thursday 16 January.. Everyone is most welcome to the service to remember Andrew and give thanks for his life.

New - Temple Sheen house group next meets Monday, 13 January, when we shall be looking at poems and images to explore the meaning of Epiphany and how God is revealed. For more details contact Judith – email: russenbergerjudith@gmail.com

New - The Vineyard Community Centre & Richmond Foodbank has a vacancy for a full time (or possibly part time) Business Manager as well as a part time Community Nurse, both of which need to be Christians. If you sense a calling for either roles, or know someone who might be interested, please see their website for more details: https://www.vineyardcommunity.org/

Holiday at Home Winter Warmer – Christ Church Hall - Saturday, 18 January, 1.00pm – 4.00pm. There will be activities as well as an afternoon tea. All guests are welcome. Cost is £5. If interested, please contact Michael Stewart at 020 8392 6504.

All Saints Concert Series – 1st February, 7.00pm - The first concert of the All Saints Concert Series. The concert will feature 2023 YCAT (Young Classical Artist Trust) winner, violinist - Hana Chang performing works by Mozart, Elgar and Strauss. Tickets are £15 – (students and children are free) and will be available at All Saints Church on Sunday mornings in January or on the door on the night.

WELCOME TO ST MARY'S

in the Mortlake with East Sheen Team Ministry **Parish Office** 8876 1630 - office@mortlakeparish.org.uk **St Mary's Website** - www.stmarymortlake.org.uk **Parish Website** - www.mortlakeparish.org.uk

Sunday, 5 January, 2025

Epiphany

10.00am Sung Eucharist

Anthem: The Shepherds Farewell - Berlioz

We welcome Revd Alex Barrow as President and Preacher

INTERCESSIONS:

Mission and Community Concern: Richmond Carers Centre. Working to support anyone living locally with the challenges of caring, unpaid, for a family member or friend who is ill, frail, disabled or has mental health or addiction problems.

Parish and wider church: We pray for Revd Ayoob Adwar, Team Vicar designate at St Mary's; and his wife, Nezah, their son Samuel and Nezah's cousin Walid. Prayers for the final stages of his ministry in St Albans; the family move to Mortlake; and the next chapter of his ministry with us. We pray for Christians across the world celebrating the Epiphany.

World / UK Concern: For World leaders: Heads of Government and Heads of State; Ambassadors and High Commissioners and all who work in Foreign Affairs. We pray for pilgrims and people travelling, also the displaced or those away from home.

Community: We pray for the year ahead and commend 2025 to God. We pray for all those who are visiting our communities and especially our churches and pray for those returning home following visits. At Epiphany we pray a special prayer of blessing on our homes.

The sick and those in need: Jan Henderson, Caron Rettie. Mike Pattison, Shirley Parker, Maggi Fletcher, David Wilkins, Tony Paterson, Joy Clarke, Alban Clarke, John Evans.

Those who have died: Deaconess Doreen Sproson, Andrew Cherry.