

## Light, hope and love

As I sit and prepare this editorial for the first issue of SPAN being produced since the lockdown back in March, which now seems a lifetime ago, I am drawn to reflecting on the loved ones no longer with us, who have moved on from this earthly place and, in most cases, where we were unable to say a fitting and appropriate farewell. To those friends and families, our hearts and prayers must reach out to them and we must continue to support them in whatever way is needed during these challenging times.

We live in a time knowing the virus will remain with us for many months to come. We are living with a virus that knows no boundaries. It doesn't care who you are, where you live, what you have achieved in life, but it is a virus to respect, to take seriously and we must do what we can to stay safe.

But it must be HOPE to which we now turn. HOPE that each and everyone of us abides by the guidance to remain safe; HOPE that we can adapt to a way of living that enables each of us to achieve the best and most out of life; HOPE that the love of a community coming together continues.

What I have witnessed within the community of Shortlands has been quite amazing, quite outstanding. Through your local parish church, we have reached out to many within the community, providing practical support where needed and spiritual support to many who have turned to the church for help. I am aware of many people who may not be known at church, but who take the principles of our learning in serving others and, through the loving of thy neighbour, to a level possibly never witnessed before. In all cases, offering HOPE for the future.

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### Special Events and Services

At St. Mary's, we are working to provide as many of the traditional services as is possible and practical during November and December, at all times following local and national guidelines to keep everyone as safe and as comfortable as possible.

#### Sunday 1 November

##### 4.00pm Service for the Departed

*We give remembrance and thanks for the lives of those we love but no longer see*

#### Sunday 8 November - Remembrance Sunday

##### 10.30am Family Communion

*Including Act of Remembrance, Two Minutes Silence*

**(Note: there will be no public gathering at the war memorial)**

##### 6.30pm Choral Evensong

*Responses: Sumsion*

*Canticles: Dyson in F*

*Anthem: Call to Remembrance*

#### Sunday 29 November - Advent Sunday

##### 6.30pm Advent Carol Service

All church services will be streamed live through Facebook. Please go to [www.facebook.com/stmarysshortlands](https://www.facebook.com/stmarysshortlands) and 'like' our page to receive updates on service and events.



In September St Mary's welcomed our new Curate, Revd Beverley Ejimofe (see page 7)



## From the Registers

### Holy Baptism

We welcome into God's family:

Clare Atkinson 31 August

### Interment of Ashes

We extend our sympathy to those who loved:

Winifred King 10 September

### At Rest

We extend our sympathy to those who loved:

Phyl Clegg	9 Mar	age 102
John Westropp	9 Apr	age 70
Tony Norris	17 Apr	age 82
Anthony Parks	29 Apr	age 77
Patricia Green	4 May	age 92
Anne Stone	5 May	age 102
Colin Walklin	12 May	age 90
Marian Parr	19 Jun	age 86
Peter Parker	2 Jul	age 73
Nancy Forsyth	15 Jul	age 93
Belinda Petty	17 Jul	age 84
Ivy Burton	6 Aug	age 103

### Worshipping together - safely

As we were allowed to resume services at St. Mary's back in August, we gave a lot of thought and consideration to how the church might look and feel following the many guidelines we have to adhere to.

Nearly two months on from re-opening our doors, the general feeling is that we have created a safe and secure environment for those that wish and are able to return to church services. The guidelines that we follow are issued from the Church of England and local and central government.

As you arrive at St. Mary's, you will be welcomed by a team who will ask for details to be recorded for track-and-trace, as well as offering the NHS QR Code for those with the NHS app to 'check in'. There is plenty of hand sanitising gel for you to use, on both entry and exit.

You will then be taken to your seating, with pews clearly marked where to sit. We allow 3 people per pew, socially distanced, unless from a larger family where we allow you to sit together as one household bubble.

During the services, members of the congregation cannot sing and must remain seated with face coverings in place. The Millennium Chapel is available for anyone who might still be anxious in sitting within the main church with many other people.

As a church with a strong music tradition we are delighted that we are allowed to have a choir or music group playing, with the numbers of each being reduced to ensure social distancing is adhered to.

I hope this gives a flavour of what to expect in visiting St. Mary's at this time. It does sound very different and isn't the same as before. However, with increasing numbers returning to church and positive feedback from people feeling safe and secure, our services have become a time to join together as a community in worship, praying together and listening together. I can assure you that you will be met with a warm and welcoming smile.

*Revd Gary*



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For all the horror that the virus has brought to our lives, we are now a community that knows each other better; a community not afraid to knock on a neighbour's door; a community not afraid to phone a neighbour; a community that has shown gratitude to one another; a community that has the opportunity to take HOPE and LOVE forward in life.

With life at St. Mary's adjusting to new rules and regulations to allow worship to continue within our magnificent building, and with plans being made for Advent and Christmas, it is my intention to keep planning and providing what we can as your local parish church by way of being a beacon of LIGHT and HOPE and LOVE during these times. The virus may be with us for some time, but the church, its people and this community will continue long after the virus has been defeated. That is the HOPE we must all have.

*Love and Blessings,*

*Revd Gary*

### Congratulations!

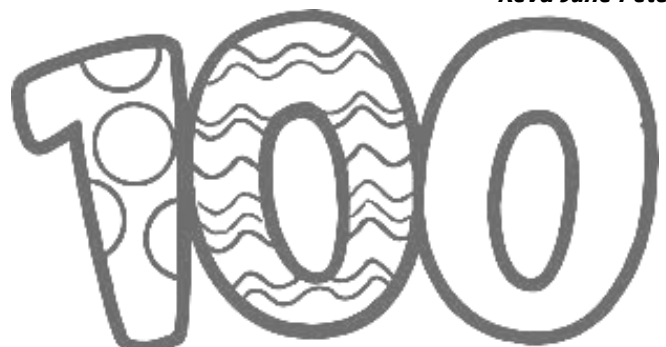
Mum (Mary Shaddick) recently celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. While COVID restrictions meant that the celebration wasn't quite on the scale we had originally planned, the home she lives in enabled us to meet in the car park.

Two daughters, three of her six grandchildren and three of her 14 great grandchildren were able to be there - the others being abroad.

Typically Mum showed hospitality to the other residents and ordered cakes all round even though she couldn't see people. An hour was spent enjoying balloons, the card from the Queen, presents, a glass of prosecco and nibbles.

Perhaps the occasion was even more special because we had thought not to be able to see her at all. It was an absolutely joyful reunion for a special woman who had lived and served through the war, seen the Crystal Palace in flames and survived being our mother!

*Revd Jane Peters*





## In memory of those we have lost during the last few months

### Judy Rambridge

Mary Judith Rambridge was born in Malvern Wells in 1938 – and always known as Judy. Her father John taught at Malvern College; her mother Mary was the daughter of Charles Toppin, a legendary figure in the early days of Malvern College.

Malvern College was evacuated to Harrow School in the War, and Judy remembered her early childhood there.

Judy trained as a secretary in Oxford, working at the John Radcliffe, then becoming the Headmaster's Secretary at Eltham College. Her final appointment was secretary for the Registrar of the British Dental Council which she thoroughly enjoyed.

Judy began her retirement in 1997 and embarked on many wonderful holidays all over the world, at first with a friend and latterly on her own.

Her strong sense of service meant she was involved in many organisations generously giving of her time and expertise as a very efficient secretary. She was PCC Secretary for St Mary's for over 25 years, as well as Secretary for the Friends group: in 2018 she was awarded the Maundy Money in recognition of this as well as her commitment to Bromley Welcare.

She enjoyed many activities: bridge, tennis, walking with the U3A, singing with the Beckenham Chorale, organising the trips for the local National Trust group and Scottish Country Dancing.

Judy had been so looking forward to going to Sri Lanka and it was such a sadness that she became ill shortly after arriving and never regained her health. Her funeral was taken by the Archdeacon of Colombo.



### John Westropp

John was born in Sway, Hampshire in 1949, where he lived with his parents and paternal grandparents until moving to Camberley when he was five. He was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes at this time.

He relished his school days and soaked up general knowledge like a sponge: this proved invaluable in his role as Quiz Master for various charity quiz nights over the years.

John worked as a freight forwarder for the same company throughout his career until retraining as a teaching assistant in 2011. He then mainly worked as a volunteer at Highfield Infants' and Junior Schools, helping in the library with the children and setting up a chess club. He so enjoyed working with young people and relished their company.

John's main focus was his family. Marrying in 1974, he and Marion had two boys, Charles and Peter, to whom he was devoted. They moved to Bromley in 1986.

He was also very close to his nieces and nephews and extended family. His grandchildren were his pride and joy; he loved taking George and Harry for a ride on his mobility scooter and was thrilled to be able to see Annie, born just one month before he died.

When his son Peter was disappointed that there was no Beaver Colony in the scout group at church, John volunteered to help set one up. 25 years later John finally gave up being 'Polar Bear'.

John had a strong Christian faith. He was pleased to be elected St Mary's deputy Churchwarden and then Churchwarden from 1998 to 2004 and subsequently became Stewardship Secretary. He always enjoyed singing hymns, mainly traditional, and loved music of many varieties.

Until mobility problems struck in 2005, he enjoyed walking holidays and skiing; thereafter he was still able to cycle. John was most relaxed and contented at the family's cottage near Canterbury. His ashes will be interred, next to Peter's, in the churchyard of St Mary's, Stodmarsh.

Although shattered by Peter's untimely death in a freak accident in 2011, he remained stoical and was never bitter. His philosophy was simple: what can't be changed has to be faced; carry on without being miserable. He was a Good Egg.



### Phyl Clegg

At a packed church on 9<sup>th</sup> March, family and friends from St. Mary's and the wider community said their final farewell to Phyllis Gwendoline Clegg, or Phyl as she was affectionately known to everyone.

Phyl was born in 1917 and started her life working on the family farm in Tanvats, a small agricultural community in Lincolnshire. From there Phyl went on to study hairdressing which led to her eventually having her own salon, which was regarded as one of the best in the business.

In 1950, Phyl married Arthur, a dental surgeon in the RAF, which led to Phyl travelling the world, living in places such as Malta, Singapore and Cyprus.

After the sudden death of Arthur in 1992, Phyl moved to be with her family, Suzie, Stephen and Christopher, in Shortlands where she has lived for nearly 30 years, and during which time she celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.



During the past 30 years Phyl continued to travel, joining Suzie and Stephen on diplomatic postings to Croatia and New Zealand, where her vibrant personality won over many people, a real asset to diplomacy and helping to break cultural barriers.

Phyl just loved St. Mary's. From first arriving she enjoyed the choir, the fellowship and the worship. Phyl saw it as her spiritual home and a family of many.

Some wonderful memories were shared at Phyl's funeral, where it was acknowledged that she was a great friend to so many people, a lady who lived life to the full who will be missed by many.

## Nancy Forsyth

Nancy was born in Cheshire and spent her teenage years at school in Detroit and Massachusetts.

She met Gordon as students at Glasgow University after the war and married in 1954. Their sense of fun and deep love for one another remained a constant throughout their life together.



Her ability to create an instant rapport with others made her well-suited to her responsibilities as a prep school teacher before she had children of her own to look after. Gordon's long absences on foreign business travel meant that Nancy was principally responsible for bringing up their children Fiona and Andrew.

Nancy attended St Mary's for over fifty years after moving to the area in the early 1960s with her husband Gordon. Together they established enduring friendships with many members of the Church.

Nancy was active in the Friends of St Mary's over many decades, involved in arranging and working at many social events and fundraising activities. Nancy's contribution to these community events was enhanced by her unflappability, her catering finesse (vol-au-vents in vast quantities were the order of the day) and her warm sense of humour.

Nancy maintained her style, graciousness, determination and good humour to the end of her life, in the face of any tragedy or reversal. She was a loving Granny to Issy and Alex, to whom she gave encouragement and advice. She always won the hearts of those who cared for her in her final years.

## Tony Norris

Tony was born in London but was evacuated to Accrington during the war, where his family lived. On his return to London, he attended Westminster City School after which he did his National Service in the Royal Air Force, something he remained extremely proud of all his life.



In his career, he rose through the ranks in the Metropolitan Police Force, retiring as Acting Chief Superintendent. He served first at West End Central, a very hard and demanding station. He also worked at New Scotland Yard, but mainly served south of the river. He was Chief Inspector at Bromley Police Station.

He ran the very challenging Magpie Youth Centre which he thoroughly enjoyed. He also undertook many other voluntary roles including Group Scout Leader at St. Mary's, where he also served as a sidesperson.

His qualifications enabled him to undertake mediation and counselling support to many.

Tony married Pauline at Chatsworth Baptist Church and they have four sons and nine grandchildren. He was such a loving, caring and proud husband, father and grandfather.

Tony's hobbies included painting in all media, but he really enjoyed sketching and best of all was teaching his grandchildren to paint. He also enjoyed reading, researching, travelling, walking and listening to music.

Tony was a member of the Worshipful Company of Wheelwrights and a Freeman of the City of London.

Towards the end of his life, the Music Group at St. Mary's gave him so much pleasure.

## Marian Parr

Despite being involved in a long list of activities, groups and good causes at St. Mary's, Marian will be remembered for flowers, toddlers and cakes!

Marian first joined St. Mary's in 1957 and the church soon became a big part of her life, especially from the late '70s onwards as she ran the 'Toddlers' group for over 20 years.



After retiring as a nursing sister in A&E and on the wards at Beckenham Hospital, Marian chose catering as her next career and was a wonderful cake maker, producing hundreds of cakes for many celebration parties.

Her great love and joy though was flowers. She would often be found arranging in the peace and quiet of the church environment, using her skills to produce beautiful arrangements to enrich the church. She was instrumental in organising two successful celebratory flower festivals at the church and was the 'Go To' person for flower arrangements for many years. At this time, Marian was also chairperson of the Hayes Flower Club.

Marian will mostly be remembered for her quiet and valued compassion to help and support many good causes and people with St. Mary's and further afield. At 85 years old, she was still assisting in serving breakfast to homeless people in Bromley.

All of the many tributes received by the family expressed that she was the most caring, kindest, gentle, thoughtful person, with enviable patience and tolerance. She was always trying to see the good in others and doing good herself.

Once the church resumes normal activities, the family intends to have a service of celebration to which everyone will be welcome.





## Anthony Parks

Anthony was born in Paddington in 1942 to Elsie and Bill, a police officer.

Continual bombing in London, and Bill's service in Bomber Command, prompted Anthony's evacuation to grandparents in Berkshire where family members, farming folk, would lead to his lifelong love and knowledge of farming. Sunday walks watching steam trains rushing between London and Oxford prompted yet another lifetime passion: steam and model railways.

Back in London he excelled at junior school becoming the only pupil in the school's history to gain 100% in his 11-plus exam. This led to a place at St. Marylebone Grammar School from where he joined a firm of chartered accountants. He joined Westminster City Council where he remained until accepting early retirement aged 50.

His continuing love of the railways led to membership of the Swanage Railway Trust and North Norfolk Railway Society.

His talents were many: carpentry, tiling and bricklaying were all put to good use at his bungalow. An avid reader, libraries featured prominently in his life and he had an encyclopaedic memory.

Tony was Secretary and part of the management team at Wedgewood Court in Cumberland Road, where he was known to many people in the area.

Kind, modest, generous, a good friend and true gentleman to many: to his sister, Ann, he was simply the best.



## Anne Stone

Anne Stone was born in a mill town near Manchester in 1917. Raised in clogs and hand-me-downs, life was hard for her family of eight but they were happy and as Methodists were always busy in the community, doing good works, holding socials and educating themselves.



Anne had a talent for art. She amazed her colleagues at the jam works with her sculptures and when her father died she carved his gravestone herself.

Like many of her generation it was the social changes that followed World War Two that opened new horizons for her and, having trained as a teacher, she came south to Bromley. Here she met her husband Alan and created a home in Shortlands that was full of art, music and good conversation.

She was appointed lecturer in ceramics and sculpture at Stockwell College where she was devoted to her students.

Anne was a great cook and formidable hostess, generous and caring. She and Alan had many friends locally who came not just to celebrate the good things in life but to seek advice on their troubles and to talk through matters of the spirit.

Anne was confirmed into the Church of England and was a regular communicant at St Mary's. She had a happy retirement making pottery for friends and family, paintings watercolours and tending her beautiful garden.

Losing her husband was a terrible blow but she faced her last years with an inspiring fortitude and at 102 was as gracious and elegant as ever.

## Jane Green

Jane grew up in Gipsy Hill, Crystal Palace and attended school in Tooting. After leaving school she went to Exeter University where she read Social Sciences and graduated in 1964.

After university Jane worked for Hampshire County Council in Child Welfare and Protection as a social worker. In 1965 she left for a holiday in Rome where she ended up staying for five years!

In Rome she worked as a nanny for an English family and then went on to work for an Italian travel agent before finally working for a Canadian photographer who was writing a travel book on Italy. Due to living in Italy, Jane spoke fluent Italian.

On return to England in 1970 she joined Exporters Refinance Corporation (a subsidiary of Lloyd's Bank). She then joined Grindlay's Bank in the city where she was very involved in setting up the London Bank Training Company.



When back home she lived in Beckenham where she met and married her husband David in 1973. They had one daughter Francesca who was born in 1980. Later Jane was elected as a councillor for Eden Park ward and was deputy mayor of Bromley in 1999/2000.

Jane joined St Mary's in 1978 when Canon Doug Redman was vicar and he baptised Francesca. Jane was on the church Parochial Church Council and also acted as a sidesperson. She was very attached to St Mary's and was involved in church activities such as the Lent lunches and helping with the church flower arrangements.

Unfortunately Jane became ill shortly after moving house to West Wickham at the end of last year and sadly passed away in August.

Jane is very much missed by all her family including her three grandchildren Freddy, Emilia and Martha.



## Belinda Petty

Belinda was born in 1935 in Wellington, a small market town in Shropshire. She was the middle of five children and another sibling that died in infancy.

A clever girl, at ten Belinda passed the scholarship exam to the high school in Wellington. She left school at fourteen and found work as an assistant in a chemical laboratory in Croydon, which she ended up running.

Belinda married Bill in 1962 and they moved to Shirley. There Belinda had two children.

In 1970 the family moved to Beckenham. Belinda was a communicant member of the Church of England and an active worshipper, initially at St Mary's Shortlands and then St. Barnabas, Beckenham.

From the 1950s onwards Belinda took a very keen interest in the sport of judo and in 1981 won a landmark employment tribunal that made case law under the 1975 Equal Opportunities Act.

Thanks to judo Belinda enjoyed a second career. After starting her family Belinda returned to work as a schools' judo instructor and from there Belinda's teaching career flourished and progressed such that when she retired, she was a highly regarded and well-liked Head of Year.

Belinda's husband predeceased her and she went to live with her son and his family. She died of Alzheimer's disease a month short of her 85<sup>th</sup> birthday. She leaves behind a son, daughter, six grandchildren and a great granddaughter.



## Looking back – at last!

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting took place at the beginning of October, having been delayed due to COVID-19. It was accessed by some members of the congregation via Zoom as well as those present, socially distanced, in church.

The Annual Report for 2019, which was presented to the meeting, set out many highlights from the year, including the institution of Revd Gary Best, and the work done by all the volunteers of the parish, who show their love of the community and their service of God in so many ways including cleaning the church, flower arranging and managing the church grounds.

Revd Gary Best updated the meeting on a number of developments from the past year including the introduction of services of Morning Prayer, a class of 9 people who were confirmed at St George's Beckenham and a course on an Introduction to the Bible.

Revd Gary talked about the Future Generations Project which plans to make the church a more flexible space: this was an opportunity to do something exciting for the church and to support the church's mission.

While the meeting was focused on 2019, Revd Gary did speak of the church's response to the COVID pandemic. He drew attention to the displays of courage, love and compassion seen from so many in the community.

Adolph Williams and Sarah Leonard were re-elected as churchwardens; Keith Mills, Kate Buchanan, Pat Chase and Sue Slaney were elected to the PCC. Ann-Marie Jefferys, Jan Boam and Glo Sherman were elected to Deanery Synod.

Revd Gary presented the safeguarding report and thanked Kay Coleman, the safeguarding officer, for her strong support on this important issue.

Reports presented to the meeting can be found at: [www.stmarysshorthands.org.uk/span/annual-parochial-church-meeting](http://www.stmarysshorthands.org.uk/span/annual-parochial-church-meeting)

## Digging for... coffee!

Although the church building was closed for services, we were allowed in during lockdown to carry out maintenance. We took advantage of this to rewire the church power circuits, the lighting having been done some years ago. Lockdown presented an ideal opportunity - as the church was not in use we could leave the scaffolding up and not take it down every week for the services!

My thanks go to Mike Harrison and Robin Hogg for their help doing this, and to Revd Gary for letting us loose on the church. The new wiring has now been certified.

We finished the wiring before lockdown ended, so decided to go further and install a kitchen at the back of church. First we had to run in a water supply to the back of church. Having installed a water supply and a kitchen we then needed to connect the kitchen to the mains sewer. This involved a lot of digging and my thanks go to Tony Chase, Robin Hogg, Mike Harrison, and Stephan Maurel, whose muscles made this possible.

The new kitchen allows coffee and tea to be made at the back of church and the washing up to be completed in a much safer way. No more trekking into Church House to collect hot water to make the coffee then carting the used crockery back into Church House to wash it.

When lockdown ended we held two coffee mornings to test out the new facilities. I am told the new kitchen passed with flying colours! Unfortunately new COVID rules means that our coffee mornings are on hold for the present. They will be back as soon as possible and of course open to everyone!



Tim Dawson



# MISSION OF THE MONTH

## Home for Good

There is an urgent need for foster carers and adoptive parents in Bexley, Bromley, Kent and Medway.

Last year the Government recorded a drop of one third in foster carer applications, yet the number of children in need of foster care rose. The number of children awaiting adoption continues to outstrip the number of approved adopters. The need is urgent: in Bromley alone, there are around 350 children in care.

Home for Good is a Christian charity with a simple vision –to find a loving home for every child who needs one. They work in partnership with local authorities and the Diocese of Rochester to find more compassionate, flexible and committed people to be foster carers and adoptive parents for vulnerable children in and around Bexley and Bromley.

You can support Home for Good by praying for their work, by attending an online event like their foundations course, or by giving financially.

For more information, visit [www.homeforgood.org.uk/kent](http://www.homeforgood.org.uk/kent) or see the display in church.

*This year, St. Mary's has been unable to recognise its chosen charities from April through to September: these will be recognised next year, along with other charities as chosen by you.*

## Welcome Reverend Beverley!

At our service on 27<sup>th</sup> September we were delighted to welcome the Reverend Beverley Ejimofu who will serve as Curate at St Mary's for the next three to four years.

Beverley had been ordained as Deacon by Bishop James in Rochester Cathedral the previous day.

Beverley was born in Cardiff and trained initially as a nurse before working as a consultant for training and leadership development. Most recently she has been involved in helping people into employment, particularly enabling vulnerable adults and young people who have never gained qualifications.

Beverley is married to Chidi, a doctor in emergency medicine, and they have three daughters in their early 20s: Chantelle, Chioma and Tochi. The family live in Bromley and have been members of St Mark's Church.

We look forward to having Beverley in our midst and working with her as we seek to move forward in the mission to which God has called us all.



On the afternoon of Friday 8 May, a group of residents of St Mary's Avenue held a VE Day party in their front gardens. Amongst these was Bob Farrar and two neighbours who celebrated while socially distanced in Bob's front garden. Many houses were decorated with Union Flags and the warm weather helped to make it a great occasion.



During lockdown it wasn't possible to place prayers on our Prayer Tree in church – so we moved it to an actual tree in the church grounds!

## Christmas Nativity

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10.30 Family communion, except when notified.  
During Term time there are separate  
groups for children aged 0-18  
18.30 Choral Evensong, except when notified.  
(3rd Sunday in the month)

**Every Tuesday**

17.30 Evening Prayers

**Every Wednesday**

10.00 Holy Communion

Further information about all services can be  
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