

Good morning:

Tomorrow, at St Mary's, we have Holy Communion (1662 BCP) at 8 a.m.

- **Then join us for coffee from 10:30, as it's our 3rd Sunday Service and at 11 a.m., Mrs Ann Poulard leads our celebration of 150 years of the Mother's Union.**

Mary Sumner started this organisation in the small parish church of Old Aylesford, Hampshire. She believed that women, regardless of class or status, could come together in faith to support one another and strengthen family life within the Church. From that single idea, a global movement has grown to now have 4 million members across 84 countries. These include members of St Mary's and St John's, all working to improve the lives of individuals, families, and communities around the world. (*The reading is Hebrews 13 verses 1 to 5.*)

- **On Monday, Celtic Morning Prayer is in St Andrews at 9 a.m.**

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Looking ahead, please note two important events on September 12.

From 2.30 p.m., there's Music at St Mary's Concert, when Tim Carey, a local but internationally known pianist, plays a selection of music. Light refreshments will be available and voluntary contributions towards the Church music fund are welcome.

Also on this Saturday, a major UK-wide fundraising event 'Ride and Stride' occurs. As the event's name suggests, participants visit their local churches by walking or cycling, having obtained sponsorship from family and friends. Importantly, each church keeps half the money raised to help preserve and improve their buildings. Mr Brian Gilders is St Mary's 'star fundraiser', so please encourage him to maintain his significant track record by completing the sponsorship forms available in the church. (*If you don't cycle, he'd be delighted to walk you round the 12 churches in Maldon. He says it only takes 90 minutes!*)

Thank You.

Best Regards, Andrew

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If you are organising a local event in the coming weeks, please remember to send me its title, date, time, and location.

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