
2018 – 2023

St Mary-le-Bow Church
Cheapside, London
Our Context

St Mary-le-Bow is an almost entirely non-residential parish ministering to local clustered congregations, comprised of unique interest groups (livery, Pearlies, Australians in London, etc.), and a mainly professional community.

Our reputation is rooted in pastoral engagement (chaplaincy-style), cultural promotion and an open door for those passing to light a candle and pray. Additionally we have a strong international reputation for the Bow Bells, as the source of authenticating those born within their sounding as being ‘cockney’. We seek to be reliable, inclusive and confident in our worship of God in Christ.
What we are not doing...
“What if we don’t change at all ... and something magical just happens?”
Developing our vision & values.
A threefold way of seeing mission...
Threefold mission
Threefold mission

- High Mass, Lent, Advent
- International communion
- Weddings
- Daily Services, MP/EP
- Liturgical music
- Baptisms, confirmations
- Mass
- Formations (vocations)

IN
- Socials
- Pastoral care (chaplaincy style)
- Book Group
- Faith & Work Forum
- Meditation Group

OUT
- Open church (cathedral style)
- JustShare debates
- Lived services
- Bell ringing
- Christmas chaplain
- Boyle lecture
- Pearlies
- Livery chaplain

LIVE in the Churchyard
BIAS

What sort of church are we?

Upward

Inward

Outward
What matters to the people?
Our survey says ...
Asking ourselves: Why?
Ultra fast USB 2.0/1.1 Connector
Power Input
Stereo Headphone Output
Quick Scroller Button
Full Control over Playback with Ergonomic Buttons
Large High Resolution Backlit LCD
Stylish Anodized Aluminum Case
The Golden Circle

WHAT

HOW

WHY
Building Consensus.
Our Shared Values

• HOW •
IN

Caring

Pilgrimage

Participation

Fellowship

Welcoming

Communicative

Home
UP

Inspirational

Liturgical

Beauty

Inclusive

Ordered

Reliable

Considered
Our shared values
We value...

- Feeling at **home**
- Seeking **inspiration**
- Liturgically **beautiful** worship
- Being **hospitable**
Our Shared Vision

• WHY •
We want to remain known for our worship, bells, music, and justice in the City.
Making a noise in the City.

Tone of voice: Active, and assured
Our Values in mission

- **Mission** WHAT
- **Beauty & Inspiration** HOW
- **Making a noise** HOW
- **Feels like home** HOW
- **Being hospitable** HOW
- **Mission** WHAT

- **WHAT**
- **HOW**
Example of how vision flows into our activities

- Beauty & Inspiring
  - Weddings
  - High Mass

- Home
  - Drinks party
  - Book groups

- Hospitality
  - LIVE in the churchyard
  - Debates

Making a Noise.
Our Mission

• WHAT •
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