

WELCOME

All Christians who would normally do so are invited to receive communion. If you wish not to receive, please come forward for a blessing. You are warmly invited to coffee afterwards.



CHILDREN

Children are very welcome at St Mary's. Junior Church takes place in the Parish Room during the Sung Eucharist. There is also a children's corner in Church for supervised pre-school children.

15th July 2018

Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Hymns

9, 54, 159, 375, 83, 172

TODAY.

Retiring collection for our July

charity: This month we are collecting for **Barnardos**. Gift Aid envelopes are available on the table by the bowl.

Holy Baptisms At 11.30 am today Bella Richardson & William Salmon are to be baptised. All welcome.

Pilots Games Afternoon - calling children of St Mary's! This afternoon from 1.45 - 3.45 pm. St Mary's Parish Room. Children of all ages welcome.

LOOKING FORWARD

BBQ and LUNCH Sunday 22nd July

Following Fr Alec's last service at St Mary's (10am) everyone is invited to a BBQ and 'bring and share' lunch. Please come along with salads, non-BBQ nibbles and puddings to share. (*Suggestions include quiche, coleslaw, dips with crudites, smoked salmon bilinis, mini pork pies*). The BBQ is kindly being provided by the Men's Breakfast team. Contact Rosey on 320386 for more information if needed. If you'd like to donate to a **leaving gift** for Fr Alec please pop your donation in an envelope in the wall safe marked "Fr Alec's leaving gift".

BITS & PIECES

MUSIC IN BLOOM

Thank you to everybody who supported this year's summer festival.

Despite competing with the World Cup and an event at the Village Hall we will have raised about £5,000 before expenses and I hope that after expenses the festival will have contributed about £4,000 to church funds. The final accounts will be published as soon as all the figures are in.

The festival has achieved its aim in raising funds and publicising the church as a centre of community life in Old Basing & Lychpit. A further report will follow but my personal thanks to the small and dedicated team of helpers without whose help the festival would have failed.
Ian Kershaw

Thanks go to Cantemus for a lovely concert on Saturday last. They were well supported by Paul Wright and a splendid saxophone quartet. I enjoyed the Handel, the excellent togetherness and spritely rhythms of the Quartet and hearing music which I usually sing. If you were not able to come, you missed a treat. *Jo*

Morning Prayer - Change of Time Please note that from 23rd July, Morning Prayer will be at 8am. Evening Prayer will remain at 6.30 pm. (*Morning & Evening Prayer will not be said publicly on Saturdays*).

Junior Church Please note that after today, Junior Church will be taking a break over the summer and will resume on 2nd September. Volunteers are still sought to help going forward into the autumn - please get in touch with either Andree McLean or Debbie Filer if you're able to help, even if only occasionally.

THANK YOU! We are settling into the Vicarage at St Mary's in Tadley though many boxes remain unpacked still! I am getting used to walking around in clergy wear, mostly lost, so I am having good conversations with people in the neighbourhood! It was very moving to see so many of you at my ordination and I'm sure you'll agree, it was quite spectacular, colourful, and very special. Steve and I would like to say thank you for the beautiful home communion set you so generously gave us on our last Sunday, we will be using it before long and will always remember you, your friendship and love as we do. Please do stop by at the Vicarage any time you are in Tadley as we would be so pleased to see you. With love, Gill and Steve

Monday Discussion Group: Last Monday's meeting was cancelled for a variety of reasons. As we do not meet in August the next meeting of our group will be on 10th September. *Ann Price (320388)*

Coffee Catch Up Thank you to everyone who has supported the Café in recent weeks. Coffee Catch Up will now be taking a break over the summer.

VSO Fundraising I am fundraising for VSO before I go as a volunteer to Malawi in

October. I am available to do odd jobs and babysit to raise money. More information can be found on my Justgiving page: (www.justgiving.com/rachaelkitstevens) and I can be contacted on 07766684902.

Thank you. *Rachael Stevens*

Trout Lunch All are welcome to John & Diana Thomas' home for a Trout Lunch in aid of St Francis' Hospital on Sunday 12th August. Please tel. Diana (353969) for more details.

In the church this week:

Thurs 19th July: St Mary's School Pilgrimage Day & Leavers Service (2.30 pm)

Fri 20th July, 9.15 am, 10 am, 11.30 am:

St Mary's School End of Year Visits,

Fri 20th July, 1.30 pm, Funeral for

Edna Nicholson RIP

From Fr Alec

As we hear of John's demise at the hands of Herod, we turn our thoughts to all those with courage to speak truth to power whatever the cost. Do we have the same prophetic zeal in our own lives?

Please pray for....

- Courage to live lives of integrity and faith.
- Hope for all experiencing poverty, hunger, loneliness, depression, pain and any kind of suffering;
- Regions of conflict and disaster: Syria; Afghanistan; Myanmar; South Sudan; Iraq; Congo; Yemen;
- Our friends at St Apollo's and Katakala Primary School in Uganda and the joy of our growing friendships;
- Bella Richardson & William Salmon being baptised today;
- Richard Moir & Joanne Fuller & James Brown & Jean Elliott preparing for their marriages on Saturday;
- Residents of Basingfield Court & Oakfields;
- Those who are sick or suffering, among them: Matthew Haystaff, Jonathan Battey, Lisa Allen; Jackie Deadman; Jean Schluter; Peter Thorn; Esther Wong; Inge Bowman; and all in sorrow and pain.
- All those who have died recently; Edna Nicholson; Betty Thorn; and those whose anniversaries fall at this time, and those who grieve for them

During the service a collection will be taken during the Offertory Hymn. If you miss this collection, gifts can be placed in the wall pillar. Gift Aid envelopes are available in the pews. Deo Gratias. Registered Charity No. 1136606

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