

## 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.

26th August 2018

Thirteenth Sunday After Trinity

## Hymns

467, 755, 70, 533, 610, 37

## TODAY

**Welcome** to Revd. Christopher Butler who is leading our 8am service today and to Revd. Denis Smith who is leading our Sung Eucharist.

### Retiring collection for our

**August charity:** This month we are collecting for **St Francis Hospital, Katete**. A copy of the latest newsletter from the Hospital is pinned up on the board in the lobby. Gift Aid forms are available on the table by the bowl.

## THIS WEEK

**The Men's Breakfast** takes place this Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September, 8.45 am in the Parish Room.

## LOOKING FORWARD

**Clergy Cover** We are most fortunate to have clergy cover until the end of October and are now planning services beyond that time. **The Rt. Revd. David Williams, Bishop of Basingstoke**, will be leading us in worship on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September at 9.30 am.

**Patronal Festival** We look forward to celebrating the **Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary** on 9<sup>th</sup> September at 10 am.

**Harvest Festival** Our Harvest Service this year will be on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 10 am when we shall be joined by the uniformed organisations of the parish. Donations will be invited to the Basingstoke Foodbank.

### Christmas Event - Volunteers

**Sought!** Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December has been set aside for a Christmas event. If

you are interested in helping with this, either as a helper on the day or in the planning, please contact Jeanette Edwards (email: [jdwards@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jdwards@hotmail.co.uk)).

## BITS & PIECES

**Home Visitors** There are a number of people within the church community who would welcome visitors for a tea and a chat, some of whom are currently unable to come to church. Have you an hour or two to spare on an occasional basis? If so please get in touch with Debbie Filer.

## LOOKING FORWARD

In the coming weeks we look forward to welcoming the following ministers to our services

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> September (8am & 9.30 am)  
Revd. Canon Ken Batt

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September (8am & 10am)  
Our Patronal Festival  
Revd. Christopher Butler

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September  
8am Revd. Canon Michael Kenning  
9.30 am The Rt. Revd David Williams  
Bishop of Basingstoke

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September (8am & 10 am)  
Revd. Malcolm Surman

**Barbara Sylvester RIP** We were saddened to learn of the death recently of Barbara Sylvester. Barbara was a member of St Mary's Flower Arranging Team for many years. Her funeral service will take place at St Mary's next Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> August at 2pm.

**New Rotas** I shall soon be starting to compile the rotas for October, November & December so would appreciate it please if you could let me know your availability. Thank you. If you would like to join the list of sidespeople who assist at services and/or the offertory rota please get in touch. (*There will be a separate rota for Christmas services and I shall be asking Christmas availability nearer the time*). *Debbie Filer*.

**Temporary Storage Request** Do you possibly have room to store a small freezer and/or a barbecue? If so please speak to one of the churchwardens.

**The Foodbank** continues to be short of donations, particularly squash, UHT fruit juice, savoury spreads, tinned fruit and toiletries. Thank you to all who give so generously.

**Would you like to see some picturesque Hampshire countryside and visit historic churches?** Then why not take part in this year's **Ride and Stride on 8th September?** This is a chance to ride (bicycle or horse) or walk (with or without a dog) along a short or long route to your choice of churches and raise sponsorship, which is split between St. Mary's and the Hampshire and Islands Historic Churches Trust. Please speak to **Paul Skinner** if you are interested or see the website: [www.hihct.org.uk/rideStride.php](http://www.hihct.org.uk/rideStride.php). If anyone is able to greet visitors to St Mary's on this day this would also be appreciated - a friendly chat and a flapjack is always welcome to keep up the spirits!

### 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;
- The work of the Friends of St Francis', Katete Charitable Trust;
- Residents of Basingfield Court & Oakfields;
- Ian Hemstock & Sara Millsom preparing for their marriage on Saturday;
- Those who are sick or suffering, among them: Matthew Haystaff, Lisa Allen; Jackie Deadman; Jean Schluter; Peter Thorn; Esther Wong; Inge Bowman; Jenny Surrridge; Hyacinth Furtado; and all in sorrow and pain.
- All those who have died recently; Barbara Sylvester; 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

### PARISH CONTACTS:

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**Home Communion Enquiries** – please contact the Parish Administrator

**Parish Administrator & Parish Room Bookings** - Mrs Debbie Filer 07541 698235 [admin@stmarysoldbasing.org.uk](mailto:admin@stmarysoldbasing.org.uk)

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