

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.

16th September 2018
Sixteenth Sunday After Trinity

Hymns

551, 503, 626, 752, 1, 352

TODAY

Welcome to Revd. Canon Michael Kenning who is leading our 8am service today and to The Rt. Revd. David Williams, Bishop of Basingstoke, who is leading us in worship at 9.30 am. We also thank Michael for playing the organ at our 9.30 am service.

The PCC is now in the process of preparing a Parish Profile and Role Description for the post of Vicar at St Mary's. Today you will have been given a slip to complete asking the question: **What are the two most important characteristics you are looking for in your new Vicar?** This question is being asked of individuals and organisations across the parish. It would be helpful if you could complete the slip today and pop it in the blue box but if you need time to consider please do take it away and drop into the box by Weds 19th September.

Photo Request Do you have any photographs that we could use within the Parish Profile which would give an insight into the life of St Mary's? If you have they would be gratefully received. It would be appreciated if they could be submitted by email to Debbie (admin@stmarysoldbasing.org.uk) by Weds 19th September. Thank you.

Retiring collection for our September charity: This month we are collecting for **Naomi House & Jack's Place**. Gift Aid forms are available on the table by the bowl.

THIS WEEK

Ploughmen's Lunches This Thursday 20th Sept. at 12.30 pm.



Mini Messy Come and join us for a 'mini' Messy Church on Sat. 22nd September at 4pm - 5.30

pm. Churchyard ramble and collage making using natural materials followed by refreshments and cakes. If you would be willing to make some cupcakes or tray bakes that would be most appreciated. (Please sign up on sheet in the lobby).

LOOKING FORWARD

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

LOOKING FORWARD

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

Sunday 23rd Sept.

8am Rev'd Christopher Butler
9.30 am Revd. Malcolm Surman

Sunday 30th Sept. (8am & 9.30 am)
Revd. Malcolm Surman

BITS & PIECES

Flower Festival 2018 I am now able to provide the final figures:

Income (including £258.75 from Gift Aid) was £5,762.84.

Expenses totalled £ 1,269.51.

The much needed increase to Church Funds was therefore £4,493.33.

I thank everybody for all their help in making the festival such a success not only financially but also as a community event. *Ian Kershaw*

Altar Servers Sought Would you be willing to assist occasionally at services? If you would like to know more as to what is involved please speak to a churchwarden or alternatively get in touch with Debbie Filer.

Jean Robbins RIP We were sad to learn of the death this week of Jean Robbins. Jean was a regular worshipper at St Mary's for many years and undertook many duties here, prior to having to move away to live near family due to ill health.

The Churchyard Conservation Group (PIOCC) is holding an open meeting on **Monday 1 Oct at 8pm** in the Parish Room to start the 2018/19 conservation season. There will be an illustrated talk on **'Spring in Switzerland'** followed by refreshments. Do join us - ALL WELCOME!

Macmillan Coffee Morning: Friday Sept 28th 10.30 – 12.00

At 68 The Street – All Welcome
Penny P

For information: Funeral service in church, Wednesday 26th Sept, 3.30 pm for Edward (John) Ward RIP

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 Naomi House & Jack's Place;
- Residents of Basingfield Court & Oakfields;
- 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; Edward (John) Ward; Jean Robbins; 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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