

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. **Gluten free Communion Wafers** are available on request in advance. 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 May 2019

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Hymns

684, 565, 84, 38, 127, 249

TODAY

Welcome to Revd. Jill Bentall who is leading us in worship today.

Christian Aid - our Retiring Collection for the month of May.

Holy Baptism All are welcome to attend the baptism service for Noah Wright at 12 noon today.

Alan Chamberlain Alan's funeral service will take place at St Mary's this Tuesday 28th May at 12 noon. All welcome to the service and to refreshments afterwards in the Parish Room. Please note that the coffin will be in church from 10 am.

Bea Preston We were sad to learn of the death this week of Bea. For several years Bea was a flower arranger at St Mary's. Her funeral will take place on Friday 21st June, time to be confirmed.

THIS WEEK

Ascension Day May 30th

Weather permitting we shall be holding our usual 8.00 am Holy Eucharist in the churchyard under the East window. Please come a bit early if you can to put out some chairs. The service will be followed by breakfast in the parish room.

Ascension to Pentecost novena - nine days of prayer, together with the whole Church of England under the banner Thy Kingdom Come. Please note this time in your diary ... booklets of Prayers for these 9 days are given out today. Prayer stations to assist your prayers will be set up in the Bolton chapel so you can pop in any time.

Men's Breakfast This Saturday, 1st June at 8.45 am in the Parish Room.

LOOKING FORWARD

A reminder that the Institution Service for Revd. Heather Leppard takes place on Weds 26th June at 7.30 pm.

Hymns and Pimms June 28th, 7pm for 7.30 pm. Please pick up an invitation to submit your favourite hymn for inclusion in this celebration. Please ensure your choice is available in the orange hymn book. If you play an instrument and are willing to contribute a short piece to this event please contact me as soon as you can. Thank you. *Penny Potter*

Saturday 29th June 11 am to 5pm

We are holding our summer event to raise funds for the church.

There will be a concert by the Infant & Junior Schools at 2pm, street organs playing outside, children's games, a variety of stalls, a raffle & an exhibition of the history of the church.

Refreshments will be served throughout the day with cream teas in the afternoon.

Please do come and support us. If you are prepared to help please speak to me. *Ian Kershaw*

BITS & PIECES

Storage Space Do you have room in your shed or garage to store some items on behalf of both the church and The Friends of St Mary's? Please speak to the churchwardens for further details or call Debbie Filer (07541 698235).

Do you have a computer tablet that you no longer use? In the coming weeks we shall be introducing

electronic card payments which require the use of a tablet, either android or Apple. If you think you can help please speak to a churchwarden or get in touch with Debbie Filer.

Basingstoke Foodbank: Of particular need currently are **bags** as well as UHT/Longlife milk and fruit juice, tinned meat, tinned rice pudding, tinned fruit, desserts (packets or microwaveable hot & cold) and toiletries.

Please pray for....

- The Church throughout the world, especially where Christians are persecuted for their faith;
- Resurrection hope for all people experiencing poverty, hunger, loneliness, depression, pain and any kind of suffering;
- The people of this nation, that they may set aside differences of opinion and work together for the common good.
- Members of our parliament, praying for a spirit of tolerance and co-operation;
- The work of Christian Aid;
- Our global partners in Katakala;
- Residents of Basingfield Court & Oakfields;
- Noah Wright being baptised today;
- Robert Humpherson & Caroline Guthrie as they prepare for their marriage on Saturday;
- Our families and friends in this community, especially those who are sick or suffering, among them: Jackie Deadman; Esther Wong; Jean Schluter; and all in sorrow & pain.
- All those who have died recently, Alan Chamberlain; Bea Preston; Yvonne Grinsted; and those whose anniversaries fall at this time, and those who grieve for them;

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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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