

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.

22nd September 2019

Fourteenth Sunday After Trinity

Hymns

573, 625, 299, 8, 23, 503

TODAY

Retiring Collection During September our Retiring Collection will be for **L'Arche**. Find out more at www.larche.org.uk

THIS WEEK

The Tea & Talk Café takes place this Monday 23rd Sept from 2.15 - 3.45 pm in the Parish Room. All welcome.

Basingfield Court Songs of Praise

Please feel welcome to join the residents in song this week on Weds at 2.30 pm.

School Act of Worship All welcome to join the Yr 5 children from St Mary's School, Thurs, 26th at 2.40 pm.

Great Binfields School Harvest

Services We look forward to welcoming the children & staff this Friday 27th Sept. There will be two services (9.45 & 10.30 am). All welcome.



Mini Messy Harvest

at St Mary's on Saturday 28th September, 3:30-5pm, including Scavenger

hunt, Harvest picture making, and refreshments. Whatever your age you are welcome to take part. If you are able to bake a traybake or some cupcakes for this please speak to Andrée or Revd Heather.

LOOKING FORWARD

Harvest Festival Service St Mary's will celebrate Harvest on Sunday 6th October. The service will be at 10 am. **Parish lunch following the Harvest Festival service on Sunday 6th October at 12.00 noon** All welcome, even if you cannot attend the service. Sausage, onion and grape casserole (meat or veggie option), bread and salads followed by assorted cold deserts. Sign-up sheet in the porch. Contact Rosey Stevens for further information or offers to help with food: 320386 / roseymarshr2@gmail.com

BITS & PIECES

Repairs to the Church We have now signed the contract for Owlsworth IJP to carry out repairs to the north aisle roof, guttering, walls windows and stonework and the tiled floor of the chancel.

The contract price is £130,929.25 + VAT. We will also have to pay architects fees of 12% plus VAT of the final contact sum. It would be foolish to believe that there will not be extras to pay on this and the final amount payable is very likely to be more.

The builders are very experienced in this type of work and will do their best not to affect the use of the church. They will be working Monday to Friday and possibly on a Saturday. It is inevitable that there will be some disruption in the church but the Parish Room should not be affected.

Certain areas will have to be cordoned off at times, the organ will have to be covered and will only be available for Remembrance Sunday and while the works are shut down over Christmas. There will be some scaffolding and a fenced builder's depot behind the kitchen. There are no weddings scheduled in the period. The builders will stop work for any funeral service.

If you have any questions please do speak to me. *Ian Kershaw*

The Basingstoke Night Shelter will be operating again this winter from 1st Dec - 29th Feb. Training sessions for both returning and new volunteers takes place at The Sarum Hill Centre, RG21 8SR (returners - Tues 8th Oct, 7.30 pm, new volunteers - Sat 28th Sept, 9.30 am, Tues 15th Oct, 7.30 pm). Further information available from contact.nlws@gmail.com

The Children's Society coffee morning and Christmas card sale

This will take place in the Parish Room on Saturday 19th October from 10 am to 12 noon when Christmas cards will be on sale. Other stalls will include a raffle, bric-a-brac and "Glitz bits and Bling" and any donations to these stalls will be most welcome! Please label them clearly and place them in the Choir vestry or give them to me. There will of course also be our delicious home-made cake stall! This is created by many of you who kindly bake to support this worthy cause so all contributions will be gratefully received. Please ask me if you have any queries. *Rosemary Kershaw*

One Church Basingstoke Come and gather to celebrate and pray for Christian ministries across the town on Sunday 13th Oct at 6.30 pm at Trinity Methodist Church. The speaker will be the Rt. Revd. David Williams, Bishop of Basingstoke.

Charities: Two For The Price of One!

Mike and Julie Leaming are taking part in the Moonlight Walk on 12 October to raise money for St Michael's Hospice. We don't want to take away from the St Mary's charity for October, supporting the homeless in Basingstoke. SO ... if you would like to sponsor us to walk for St Michael's Hospice, we pledge to donate the same amount to the homeless. Give to one, get the other one free!. Sponsorship form is in the foyer or go to www.justgiving.com, search for Michael Leaming and then Julie and Mike's page. Thank You!

PIOCC (Churchyard Group) will be holding its kick-off meeting on Monday 7th October at 8pm in the Parish Room to start the 2019/20 conservation season. Margaret & Tim Carr will be entertaining us with a talk "New Zealand - Top to Toe". There will be refreshments so do come along. ALL WELCOME.

Old Basing and Lychpit Big Turkey Community Christmas Lunch,

2019 A volunteers evening on Sat. 28th Sept at 7pm in the Parish Room when we will be thanking all the 2018 volunteers (with food!) and sharing plans for the 2019 lunch. Come along to find out how you could help or email bigturkeylunch@outlook.com or call 07544 998292. Many thanks, Rosey

Please pray for....

- Our own church, its life and mission
- Hope for all experiencing poverty, hunger, loneliness, depression, pain and any kind of suffering;
- Members of our parliament, praying for a spirit of tolerance and co-operation;
- The work of L'Arche
- Our global partners in Katakala;
- Regions of conflict and disaster;
- Those affected by hurricane Dorian
- Residents of Basingfield Court & Oakfields;
- Our families and friends in this community, especially those who are sick or suffering, among them: Jackie Deadman; Esther Wong; Jean Schluter; Rachel Parks; all in sorrow & pain
- All those who have died recently: Graham Onslow; Janet Tye; 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. Thank you. Registered Charity No 1136606

PARISH CONTACTS:

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