

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.

19th May 2019 The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Hymns

642, 37, 343, 720, 98, 673

TODAY

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

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

Alan Chamberlain We were sad to learn of the recent death of Alan. All are welcome to his funeral service which will take place at St Mary's on Tuesday 28th May at 12 noon and to refreshments after the service in the Parish Room.

THIS WEEK

The Wednesday 10 am Eucharist will this week take place at St Mary's Junior School. All welcome.

LOOKING FORWARD

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.
Can you play the guitar or do you have a small portable organ? We're looking please for someone to accompany a hymn at the service. If so please speak to one of the churchwardens.

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 will be given out on Sundays May 19 and 26th. Prayer stations to assist your prayers will be set up in the Bolton chapel so you can pop in any time.

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

Basingstoke Foodbank: Of particular need currently are 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;
- Our families and friends in this community, especially those who are sick or suffering, among them: Jackie Deadman; Esther Wong; Jean Schluter; Bea Preston; and all in sorrow & pain.
- All those who have died recently, Alan Chamberlain; 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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