

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 a children's corner in Church for supervised pre-school children.

21st June 2015
Third Sunday after Trinity

Hymns for Today
347, 70, 144, 302, 951, 153

TODAY

Holy Baptisms At 2 pm Victoria & Alfie Curryer and Jake Smith are to be baptised. All are welcome.

THIS WEEK

Cantemus Concert at St Mary's The Newbury-based choir Cantemus will be performing a "Music for a Summer Evening" concert to raise funds for St Mary's next Saturday 27th June at 7.30 pm. Tickets will be £10, including refreshments and are now available from Debbie Filer (07541 698235) or alternatively you can pay on the door.

LOOKING FORWARD

Rev'd Rachel's Ordination Rachel is circulating ordination tickets to those who requested them. Please could those who offered lifts liaise with those signed up as needing lifts on the notice board to arrange transport, as we don't want anyone left behind who has a ticket. Please note the Refectory will stay open until the start of the service for those wanting refreshments, but there are no buses back to the Park & Ride on a Saturday evening so it is best to use the Chesil Street Car Park.

Rachel will be celebrating her first service of Eucharist at St. Mary's at **10am on Sunday 12th July**, at which the preacher will be the Very Rev'd Andrew Johnson, Prior of Alton Abbey.

Sarah's Ordination The ordination of our new curate, Sarah Lloyd will be at 10 am on Sunday 5th July, at Winchester Cathedral. Those wishing to support Sarah can also sign up in the entrance hall, and she is inviting people to share drinks with her in the Priors Hall, near the Cathedral, afterwards. However everyone is encouraged to attend our own St. Mary's service of welcome to Sarah on **Sunday 5th July at 6pm** after which there will be refreshments. If you are planning on coming to Sarah's welcome service, it would be appreciated please if you could indicate this

on the **sign-up sheet** in the lobby. This will give us a rough idea for catering purposes.

LATEST NEWS! SUMMER FETE 11th JULY Preparations for the fete are now well under way but we would still be grateful to hear from an additional face painter! We are also looking for help to hold a raffle.

In particular we are asking for the following contributions: Cakes, sweets and preserves for sale; Cakes to cut up for teas and picnic tables to set up in the marquee. Lists are in the lobby for you to sign up if you can contribute in any of these ways. We are also asking for donations of prizes for the raffle. Please bring all contributions to the Church on Saturday 11th - preferably between 9.30 and 10.30 am. In conjunction with Basingstoke Art Club and all local artists we are holding an **art exhibition** in the Bolton Chapel. Please contact Tricia Renwick (01256 326155) for more information. There is a children's painting and drawing competition and a children's cartoon competition. Entry forms are in the schools, the Spar Linden Market and The Church. **Thank you!**

BITS AND PIECES

New email address for Rev'd Rachel Please note that Rev'd Rachel's email address has changed to rachel@stmarysoldbasing.org.uk. This is in preparation for our new curate, Sarah's arrival. Sarah's contact details will be publicised once she has joined us in July.

Basing Singers are holding a joint concert with Deane Sinfonia on **Sunday 28th of June at 7pm**. This is being held at **The Costello School, Crossborough Hill**. Tickets are £7.00, available on the door. The music and song will range from Beethoven to Bernstein!

St Mary's Junior School – Link with Uganda The following is an extract from a recent newsletter sent to St Mary's Junior School parents from Caroline Welch, Headteacher:

At the end of last half-term we had a visit from the head teacher of Katakala Primary School in Uganda. This has really strengthened the link between our two schools and reinforced the concept of One Family extending beyond St Mary's, Old Basing, Hampshire, and now across the seas. As a school we have always supported a child with their education, ably led by our Global Friends Team. Whilst education is technically

compulsory in Uganda it is not free and therefore there are still a huge number of children missing out. It would be great if we, as a community, could support even more children. Wouldn't it be great if as a local community we could sponsor enough children to fill another class!

A poster in the lobby gives further details or alternatively for further information please contact the school office (tel. 465092).

The Children's Society are organising an exclusive charity trek to the Great Wall of China in April 2016. To make a lasting difference to the lives of disadvantaged children in this country, sign up before August 23rd 2015 for a place on this enchanting trek. Leaflets and posters with more information are available in the foyer. *Rosemary Kershaw*

Basingstoke Foodbank Request: The Foodbank is particularly short currently of tinned tomatoes/meats, peanut butter & savoury spreads and would appreciate donations of desserts (particularly microwaveable), shaving foam & shower gel. Thank you.

From Fr Alec

When Jesus stills the storm, he reminds us of our own frailty in the face nature, and God's sovereignty over creation. Perhaps too often we seek control over our own lives and the world around us when it is through faith in God's providence alone that we will find true safety and peace.

Please pray for:

- Bishops Timothy, David and Jonathan.
- Rachel as she prepares for her ordination as priest and Sarah Lloyd, our new curate, who will join us in July.
- The people of St Apollo's Church in Katakala.
- For all suffering from chaos and turmoil in their lives.
- For those at sea- travelling, fishing, shipping and in the navy.
- Victoria & Alfie Curryer & Jake Smith being baptised today;
- Those who are sick or suffering, among them: Penelope Bickley; Elan Bansal; David Sacree; Beryl Streether; Mavis Lloyd; Jackie Deadman; Jean Schluter; Clifford & Christopher Browne; Des Atkin; Violet Philips, Tom Barrett; Cassie Towhigg; Margaret Lomax; and all others in pain or sorrow;
- All those who have died recently; all 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

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