

## 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.

1<sup>st</sup> November 2015  
All Saints' Day

### Hymns for Today

177, 86, 686, 590, 746, 758

## TODAY

**Holy Baptisms** At 2pm Autumn Ayling & Charlotte Marshall are to be baptised. All are welcome

## THIS WEEK

**All Souls' Commemoration of the Faithful Departed** There will be a Eucharist for the Faithful Departed this Monday 2nd November at 7.30 pm at which those who have died will be prayed for by name. A list for you to write those names of people for whom you wish prayer is by the votive candle stand (please put the name in capital letters). The service will be preceded by refreshments in the North Aisle from 7pm.

**Men's Breakfast** This Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 8.45 am in the Parish Room.

For information in church this week: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov, 1pm, Memorial Service for Vivienne Upton RIP; Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Nov, 10 am, Funeral Service for Winifred Elsworth RIP

## LOOKING FORWARD

**Parish Service of Remembrance Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> Nov, 10 am** followed by Act of Remembrance and Laying of Wreaths at the War Memorial. Holy Communion follows immediately afterwards in the church. There will be no Family Service next Sunday.

**AN EVENING WITH ICONS** We are delighted to say we have the great privilege of an illustrated talk on Icons from Dom Anselm Shobrook OSB, Iconographer at Alton Abbey, on THURSDAY DECEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7.30 pm in the Bolton Chapel. Please put this in your diaries now! More details will follow later.

**Contemplative Advent Services** – Come and rest in gentle, candle-lit contemplative services of music, reflection, poetry, peace and prayer. Monday evenings in Advent - 30<sup>th</sup> Nov & 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> Dec, 8-8.45pm, Bolton chapel. All welcome. If you need a lift please contact Sarah.

## Crib Festival 2015 (11-13 December)

The word is getting out thanks to the posters that are kindly being distributed. Please continue to take them far and wide in the Parish!. This week is the beginning of sign-up sheets in the lobby for cakes, tombola, and raffle prizes so please consider how you may help. If there are groups known to you who may not have done a tree before please let me know so I can make contact. The best way to share this event is really **word of mouth** so please look for opportunities to broadcast out Crib Festival wherever you go! Thank you! Gill Sakakini

## BITS AND PIECES

**Monday Discussion Group:** Our next meeting is on 9<sup>th</sup> November at 1.45 pm in the Parish Room. We will conclude the study guide by Embrace. Study 6 is called 'Livestock, wild animals and people'. All are welcome. Ann Price (320388)

Friends of St Mary's - Murder Mystery & Fine Dining  
Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Nov, 7.30 pm, Old Basing Village Hall  
Please see the posters on the church notice boards.

**Children's Society** A very big thank you to everyone who generously supported the recent coffee morning. Whether you helped on the stalls, served or drank coffee, bought Christmas cards or just generally enjoyed the chance to meet old friends and chat, your efforts contributed to the grand total of £1,411.17!

**Bishops' Appeal for Syria & Myanmar** A total of £102 was raised during the recent retiring collections, which has now been forwarded to the Diocese. Thank you.

**Farewell Service for the Venerable Michael Harley, Archdeacon of Winchester** who will be retiring on 30<sup>th</sup> Nov. after 40 years of ministry. The service will be held on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Nov. in Winchester Cathedral at 3.30 pm - all are welcome.

**On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November, the Churchyard Conservation Group (PIOCC)** will be holding its annual Social Working Party. This is an invitation to come along and see for yourselves what tasks we are currently undertaking. If you would like to work with us, we are on site from 10am. or else join us at 11.30 am for homemade

soup, sausage rolls, flapjacks and a tour of the conservation area – all welcome!

**Coffee Morning for Pancreatic Cancer UK Sat. 14<sup>th</sup> November.** Once again we are holding a coffee morning at the **Cricket Pavilion on the Rec from 10.30 am to 12 noon** – courtesy of Old Basing Cricket Club – in memory of our late friends Liz Gray and Sally Armstead. There will be a raffle, bring and buy and cards on sale. We look forward to seeing you. Ann, Di, Irene & Fay.



**Coffee Catch Up - Children in Need Appeal** All proceeds taken on 9<sup>th</sup> November will be donated to

the Appeal. There will be a raffle (tickets are on sale after today's 9.30 am service) as well as a chance to sample Penny Jubin's cheese & chorizo savoury muffins! Coffee Catch Up is open every Monday, 8.30 am – 11.30 am.

**2016 Greenbelt Festival** If you'd be interested in going along to the Festival as part of a group next year please speak to Rev'd Sarah. The Festival website is: <https://www.greenbelt.org.uk>.

## From Fr Alec

As Jesus raises Lazarus, we are invited to call to mind how we, with all the saints, have been raised from death to life. To be a saint, to have been 'sanctified', is to have been set apart by God as we all were at our baptism. This is a challenge for us all to live up to.

### Please pray for

- The intercession of all the faithful who have gone before us & now dwell in eternal light with God.
- The courage to follow Jesus to share with others the peace and love of God.
- Refugees, and all those seeking asylum.
- Those living in suffering, particularly in Afghanistan, Syria, Libya and Iraq.
- The people of St Apollo's Church in Katakala on their Patronal Festival.
- Our Bishops Tim, David and Jonathan.
- Autumn Ayling & Charlotte Marshall, 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, Emily Fisk; and all others in pain or sorrow;
- All those who have died recently; Vivienne Upton; Winifred Elsworth; Jo Darwin (Janet Jackson's mother); all 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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