

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.

11th June 2017
Trinity Sunday

Hymns:

286, 428, 84, 69, 302, 684, 238

TODAY

Confirmation Service, 11th June 6.30 pm when we shall be joined in worship by Bishop David.

Retiring collection for St Mary's charity of the month, June: Basingstoke Town Centre Chaplaincy. Please see the notice in the lobby giving details of the work of the Chaplaincy.

THIS WEEK

Ploughmen's Lunches takes place this Thursday, 15th June at 12.30 pm.

Monday Discussion Group: Our next meeting is on 12th June at 1.45pm in the Parish Room. We shall continue to study a book by Stephen Cottrell entitled 'The Things He Said' (The story of the first Easter Day). All are welcome. *Ann Price (320388)*

LOOKING FORWARD

'A Celebration of Age' Service – 18th June, 9.30am, a special service with and for all ages. Please bring a small plant or seed which represents the age you feel, with plant pot label saying why and with your real age noted too!

Farewell to Rev'd Rachel Rachel's last Sunday with us prior to her move to the parish of Eversley will be 25th June. We are planning a **farewell bring & share lunch for Rachel, Graham & Chris** on this day starting at 12 noon. A sign-up list is now up in the lobby. **Farewell Gift** if you would like to contribute to a gift for Rachel please place contributions in an envelope in the wall safe marking envelope "Rachel's Gift".

St Mary's Summer Fair July 8th "Taste and See" is this year's theme and will be a multi-sensory experience of international food and entertainment. During the day there will be opportunities to sample culinary delights, play games, and try out dances from other countries. If you would like to cook, face-

paint, host games, busk or offer other suggestions please talk to Gill. (07969 158488).

Hymns & Pimms 7th July: To get our festival off to a great start please pick up form from church and put in your request for your favourite hymn, then return form to the blue box. Many thanks. *Penny*

Rev Sarah and PAT dog Dougan will be on Easter/Summer holiday 19th June – 2nd July

BITS AND PIECES.



St Mary's is participating with churches across north Hampshire to ask people in our local community a simple question:

"What hurts you the most?" or **"What is the one thing in life you find hardest to handle?"** The mission is in two phases -- the Listening phase runs until the end of August, and the Responding phase is from September to November and beyond. Steve Sakakini and team will be at the Basing Carnival and other places with Who Cares? cards. Please chat to Steve if you can help in any way with this initiative of listening and caring in our community.

Old Basing Carnival Stall, June 17th

St Mary's will once again have a stall at this year's carnival - if you have ideas for anything to put on it please mention to Fr Alec, Sarah, or Debbie. We will be giving out Who Cares? cards from the stand too, and be adjacent to OB&L Good Neighbours stall to continue to engage together.

The Children's Society Box Collectors and the Pound Coin

Thank you to everyone who has a box at home. Last year your donations totalled £681.91. There is no confirmation of any bank extending acceptance of the existing £1 coin which goes out of circulation in October. Since every penny is vital to the charity, The Children's Society recommend that we collect any £1 coins you have generously put in your box before then. Please telephone Jacky Fox on 01256 474452 or me on 01256 355500 for us to open your box and collect your donations.

A collection box is a direct way of giving to The Children's Society, just putting in loose change when you have it –perhaps when clearing out one's pockets at the end of the day. If you would kindly consider having a box,

please contact either Jacky or me on the numbers above. *Rosemary Kershaw*

News from Coffee Catch Up : We raised a fantastic total of £133.50 for Mindful Music in April and May. Thank you for your support. All proceeds during June & July will be going to support the building of the new **Baden Powell Scout & Guide Centre for Old Basing & Lychpit.**

Charity of the Month July: the PCC kept a few months of the year blank so that people could suggest new charities of the month for St Mary's through the year too. If you have a suggestion for July's charity of the month please let Rev Sarah know or suggest on noticeboard sheet.

From Fr Alec

This evening we celebrate with our candidates an important step in their Christian journey as the Bishop of Basingstoke calls down the Holy Spirit and confirms them in their membership of the Church of Christ. This is an opportunity for us to remember the profound gift of grace that we have also received, and renew our own commitment to the mission of God

Please pray for

- The people of Afghanistan,, and families and friends of victims of terrorism across the world.
- Connections and transformations as we pray with others locally, globally & ecumenically *Come Holy Spirit: Thy Kingdom Come.*
- Our partnership friends in Katakala: praying for those hungry at school; for orphans in St Apolo's family
- Residents of Basingfield Court & Oakfields.
- Chloe Gausden & Imogen Turner baptised today;
- Felix Battey; Abigail Carter, Jeanette Edwards; Ciaron McBride, and Alan Jones being confirmed today;
- The people of East Africa, Syria, Iraq, the Congo, Yemen and all regions where there is famine, violence, or suffering.
- Those who are sick or suffering, among them: Lisa Allen, Richard Rylance, Elan Bansal; Jackie Deadman; Jean Schluter; Betty & Peter Thorn, Esther Wong; Inge Bowman; Peter May-Miller; Dudley Clark, and all in sorrow or pain.
- All those who have died recently: Steff, Jack Pocklington; Susan Onslow; and those who's 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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