

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

**30th September 2018**  
**Eighteenth Sunday After Trinity**

## Hymns

105, 165, 212, 420, 211, 413

## TODAY

**Welcome** to Revd. Malcolm Surman who is leading both of our services today.

**Retiring collection for our September charity:** This month we are collecting for **Naomi House & Jack's Place**. Gift Aid forms are available on the table by the bowl.

## THIS WEEK

**Mid-Week Holy Communion** will be taken this week by the Revd. Jill Bentall. All are very welcome to this short service which is followed by coffee, tea and biscuits.

## LOOKING FORWARD

**Harvest Festival** Our Harvest Service takes place next Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 10 am. There will be a monetary collection for the Basingstoke Foodbank.

**Christmas Tree Festival - "A Family Christmas"** St Mary's will once again be holding a Christmas Tree Festival this year over the weekend of 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> December. Look out for further details in the coming weeks.

## BITS & PIECES

**The Children's Society and Coffee Morning - "No child should feel alone."** The Children's Society works to support children across the country who are homeless, runaways or refugees, children who are victims of abuse, neglect or debt, children who feel scared, unloved and unable to cope.

A Christmas card sale and coffee morning in aid of The Children's Society will be held from 10 – 12 am on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October in The Parish Room. This is an opportunity for you to buy your Christmas cards in good time!

There will be a variety of stalls including a raffle, cakes, bric-a-brac and a new stall called "Glitz Bits and Bubbles" where you will find beads and bangles, scarves and bubble bath/shower gel/soaps – all the things that you have been given but never used. Please give generously -who knows – it may be someone else's favourite! Similarly, our cake stall is made famous by your generous baking skills Please do come and support this worthy charity and we look forward to seeing you there.  
*Rosemary Kershaw*

### A PRAYER DURING THE VACANCY

Heavenly Father,  
As we seek to discern the qualities we hope to find in our new Vicar, we pray that you will direct us with your Wisdom. Give us grace to listen to your Holy Word  
and open our hearts and minds to receive your wishes for us here in Old Basing and Lychpit.  
In Jesus' name AMEN

**Steve Sakakini** is to be licensed as a Lay Minister at a service on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 11 am at Winchester Cathedral. All are welcome (no ticket required).

**Thank you** to all those who made cakes and helped with Mini Messy Church last weekend. Collages will be on display at next Sunday's Harvest Service. *Andree*

**Monday Discussion group:** Our next meeting is on 8<sup>th</sup> October at 1.45 pm in the Parish Room. Continuing with our study of the Acts of the Apostles this month Chapters 13 and 14. *Ann Price (320388)*

**The Basing Singers** will be joining with other choirs for the **Basingstoke Festival of Choirs Concert** in the Anvil at 7pm on Sunday 30 September. As well as the massed choirs the concert, entitled "Voices Together," features the Heritage Light Orchestra and St Mary's CE Junior School Choir, displaying the very best of Basingstoke's young talent. The programme will include the music of Carl Orff, Karl Jenkins, Gilbert and Sullivan,

Verdi and more, all guaranteed to lift the spirits and ensure a joyous evening of music making. Tickets are available on line or from the Anvil box office.

**Do you play a musical instrument?** If so and you would be interested in playing with others at services and events please let Debbie Filer know.

The **Churchyard Conservation Group (PIOCC)** is holding an open meeting on **Monday 1 Oct at 8pm** in the Parish Room to start the 2018/19 conservation season. There will be an illustrated talk on **'Spring in Switzerland'** followed by refreshments. Do join us - ALL WELCOME!

**New Rotas** have now been issued for both the 8 am and 9.30 am services. Please do get in touch with Debbie Filer if you are yet to receive your copy.

### Please pray for....

- Courage to live lives of integrity and faith.
- Hope for all experiencing poverty, hunger, loneliness, depression, pain and any kind of suffering;
- Regions of conflict and disaster: Syria; Afghanistan; Myanmar; South Sudan; Iraq; Congo; Yemen;
- The work of the Friends of Naomi House & Jack's Place;
- Residents of Basingfield Court & Oakfields;
- Those who are sick or suffering, among them: Matthew Haystaff, Lisa Allen; Jackie Deadman; Jean Schluter; Peter Thorn; Esther Wong; Inge Bowman; Jenny SurrIDGE; Hyacinth Furtado; and all in sorrow and pain.
- All those who have died recently; Robert (Bob) Foster; 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. Deo Gratias.** Registered Charity No. 1136606

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