

st Mary's Burghfield



25th March 2018 – Palm Sunday

WELCOME!

You are very welcome at our worship. We hope you experience God this morning and can stay for coffee and a chat after the service.

KidZone – (0-10 years) meets every Sunday at 10.30am except the first Sunday in a month. It starts and ends in the Church and all are welcome to join in the fun.



Toilets are situated in the Parish Centre next to the church

Please join us for Fairtrade tea or coffee between the 9.00am and 10.30am services

If you would like private prayer, please go to the chancel during communion at the 9am service or ask a member of clergy after the 10.30am service

If you would like to receive a gluten free wafer, please speak to the person who greeted you at the door or a churchwarden

Services

9am Holy Communion – Passion Narrative

10.30am Contemporary Communion – Passion Narrative

Today's Prayer:

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

This Coming Week

Monday 26th March	8pm Holy week service Compline with Reflection
Tuesday 27th March	11am Holy Communion at The Hollies 8pm Holy week Service Stations of the Cross
Wednesday 28th March	10am St Mary' School Easter Service 8pm Holy Week Service Compline with Reflection
Thursday 29th March	8pm Maundy Thursday Service Holy Communion with foot washing Parish Office closed
Friday 30th March	2pm Good Friday Service Last Hour of the Cross Reflective Service
Sunday 1st April	Easter Sunday 6.30am Dawn Service (Service of Light with Communion) 10am Combined Holy Communion with renewal of Baptismal Promises

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Oakdene Court, Badgers Glade, Bland's Court Community
- People recently married or preparing for marriage
- Christian Community Action, Berkshire Women's Aid Refuge, work with the homeless

Contact Details

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Find us on [Facebook](#) too! Photos and news of upcoming and recent events on our page "St Mary's Church Burghfield". We also have a "Messy Church Burghfield" page. Please visit, "like" and comment!

Address: Church Lane, Burghfield Village, Reading, Berks, RG30 3TG

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NOTICES

ALPHA COURSE

Our Alpha Course started on Wednesday 31st January but it's not too late to join in. Do you have questions about God, faith and Christianity? Would you like to explore your own faith further? Or maybe you would like a refresher course. Would you like to consider Confirmation in the Church of England as the next step in your faith journey? If you would like to know more, please speak to either Revd Glynn or Don Sinclair or see the Alpha flyer in the back of church.

PMC (Partnership for Missional Church)

Please continue to pray for and think about YOUR role in PMC. Don't know what it is? Check out this link <https://www.churchmissionsociety.org/partnership-missional-church> and/or pick up the leaflet in church. **We need now to form a 'Steering Team' so if you are interested in being part of PMC please speak to Glynn or the wardens.**

EASTER LILIES

It is traditional to decorate the Church with lilies at Easter. If you would like to make a donation for lilies in memory of a relative or friend, could you give the money to Glynn or myself. Thank you. Margaret Towle

"ABSTILENT" Sponsorship

I'm going "abstilent" for Yeldall Manor, a Christian residential centre which helps men overcome their addiction to drugs and alcohol. This is a local charity that our church supports and to help raise funds and to stand alongside the men I am giving up cakes, biscuits, chocolates and yogurt for 40 days of Lent. Please sponsor me. Anne Greaves

Food Bank

Contributions to the Food Bank are urgently required as stocks are low due to an increase of need. The following items are specifically requested; tinned meaty meals, spaghetti, puddings, toilet rolls, tea bags, coffee (small jars), sugar and toiletries. The Food Bank collection box is at the back of church. Thank you.

Cleaning the church building

Thank you very much to all those who have come along to our recent cleaning sessions; many hands have indeed made light work, and it has been good to work together to "tickle the feet of the saints" (!) among other joys. We hope that everyone is enjoying the beauty of the clean church, as it starts to sparkle once more!

We will continue with this pattern of 2nd Friday at 7pm and 4th Saturday at 10am for the next few months, and then review the arrangements in the spring. The dates for your diary are:

- Friday 13th April 7pm and Saturday 28th April after Messy Church (about 5pm)
- Friday 11th May 7pm and Saturday 26th May 10 am

Please do come and join us if you can: it is a very satisfying way to show your love for this wonderful building we are blessed with. Thank you in anticipation, Alison and Michael.

Children's Society Cake Sale. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Cake Sale and Raffle on Mothering Sunday, we raised a total of £139. Anne.

175th Anniversary!

Preparations for the 175th Anniversary Celebration weekend are gathering pace! So far we have the following activities planned for the weekend 23/24 June:

Sunday 10 am joint celebration service; the preacher will be our archdeacon, Olivia Graham Refreshments available throughout the weekend to offer hospitality and raise funds for the Pepperpot tower

Please contribute to our family photo exhibition. Bring copies, digital or physical, and let everyone enjoy the memories.

We hope to have photo albums from past events which are currently archived at the Berkshire Record Office. Also a postcard collection showing views of the village.

A celebration of creativity in our community. Individuals and groups from the local community are invited to showcase their creativity. This could be physical items made by drawing, painting, writing, sewing, knitting, crocheting, woodwork, clay modelling, Lego, jewellery making etc. Or it could be a creative idea, such as creating a community event (e.g. Burghfest). We want your item/idea to show: please don't be shy. We want to showcase what a wonderful creative community we live in and contribute to.

Children's poster competition entries. Margaret Thomas has launched this competition with our local schools: it will be great to see the winning entries displayed!

Malcolm Summers has written a really informative book about Henry George Willink, which includes lots of interesting local history. He has kindly agreed to be at church on Saturday 23rd to chat about the book and sign copies.

We have been given a stall on the Hatch as part of the Box Kart Bash, which takes place on 24 June. We hope to sell cakes and signpost our exhibitions to the local community in this way

We are investigating whether we could run a children's version of the Box Kart Bash, for model karts..talk to us if you're interested.

Please book the 23rd and 24th June as important dates in your diaries and talk to Alison Eves or Margaret Thomas about what you would like to do to help.

ELECTORAL ROLL

The church Electoral Roll is, as in the secular world, a list of the members of the church who are entitled to vote. It is very important that the Roll reflects our full membership, and that you don't lose your right to vote at the annual meeting. If you are baptised, over 16 and either live in the parish or have attended St Marys for 6 months, you are entitled to be on the Roll.

We are in the process of updating the Electoral Roll prior to the Annual meeting on 22nd April 2018. Please could you check your entry and make any corrections needed as soon as possible.

If you are not on the Electoral Roll and meet the above criteria and would like to join please fill in the Electoral Roll form and hand to Glynn or one of the church wardens.

The Electoral Roll and form and information can be found on the notice board or at the back of the church

