

st Mary's Burghfield



This Coming Week

Parish Office closed until further notice

Monday 8th October	9am Morning Prayer
Tuesday 9th October	9.30am Little Footprints Harvest Festival 4.30pm Oxford Diocese Meeting
Thursday 11th October	10.am St Mary's School Harvest Festival
Friday 12th October	2.30pm Ashes interment
Sunday 14th October	10am Confirmation and Joint Service of Holy Communion 3.30pm TASTE

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Southwood Gardens, Stones Walk, Sandbrooke Walk, Brookside Walk
- Lesson Readers, Intercessors and the Prayer Chain
- The Travelling Community, refugees and asylum seekers.
- People who have died recently – Betsy Saunders

Contact Details

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Website: www.stmarysburghfield.org

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

The PCC of St Mary's the Virgin Burghfield is a Registered Charity No.1167639

7th October 2018 – Harvest Festival

WELCOME!

You are very welcome at our worship. We hope you experience God this morning. If you are new or visiting, we would love to meet you.

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 at "Meeting Point"



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 – Joel 2.21-27, Matthew 6.25-33

10.30am All Age Service – Matthew 6.25-33

Today's Prayer: O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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.

NOTICES

Services next week Sunday 21st October

9am - Holy Communion

10.30am - Contemporary Communion

12.15 - Baptism

Parish Office

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed until a new administrator is in post. Emails to the administrator email address (admin@stmarysburghfield.org) will be regularly monitored but for any urgent enquiries please contact Revd Glynn direct.

Wednesday 10th October 8pm - Let's Talk Theology

The next in the new series of Spiritual Development talks by Bradfield Deanery at St Mary's, Sulhamstead is "Creeds: the development".

Sunday 14th October - Confirmation

Please note that there will be a 10am joint service only that day with Bishop Andrew. Please pray for the confirmation candidates from this Parish and from the Aldermaston Benefice.

Friday 19th October – 7.30pm Children's Society Fish and chip supper quiz

Parish Centre - tickets £10 from Colin Thompson tel 0118 9832603

Sound System

You will be pleased to know that the installation of the sound system is progressing, and we hope that it will be installed before the end of the year, hopefully sooner. Revd Glynn.

Pew sheet

You are welcome to take this pew sheet home with you. Alternatively, if you wish to view this pew sheet online, or the pew sheets from the last 3 weeks, then please go to our website www.stmarysburghfield.org, where they can be found under Church Life/Information for Regulars/pew sheets.

'Parish Giving Scheme'

Did you know that St Mary's church like any other Church of England, receives no financial help from the government or Diocese? All our expenses have to be funded from our congregation and we are really grateful to those who give regularly to St Mary's church through Standing Order as it helps in planning our finances.

We recently decided we would, along with other parishes in the Diocese, join in with the 'Parish Giving Scheme'. You can find out more about it on the Diocesan website at www.oxford.anglican.org/support-services/parish-support/generous-giving/parish-giving-scheme/, (see extract below) or from the information packs at the back of church.

The scheme enables people to give to their church by direct debit, and there are significant benefits to this scheme compared to other ways of giving. Gift aid is automatically processed by the Parish Giving Scheme every month, saving the church considerable time and improving cashflow. Additionally, givers can choose to automatically increase their giving by the rate of inflation every year. This tackles the problem of static giving, where people's giving ordinarily remains the same year on year whilst the costs of the church rise continually due to inflation. Givers can also choose to give anonymously if they wish. Over 20 dioceses have adopted the Parish Giving Scheme, and all are seeing increases in giving as a result.

In response to our '**Generous living - Generous giving**' stewardship campaign over the last several weeks, if you have not already done so, we would like to encourage you to consider changing from giving by 'Standing Order' to joining the Parish Giving Scheme and contributing through direct debit. If you give through the offertory plate we would also like to encourage you to formalise your offering to church by joining the PGS.

If you have any questions please speak to Mike Wood, Ollie Dillon or Revd Glynn

Food Bank

An App is now available for the Food bank advising of donations which are urgently required. You need to go to the Food Bank Redemption Media App and select West Berkshire, ideal while you're out and about. Items urgently needed are long life fruit juice, biscuits, tinned fruit, sponge puddings, custard, tinned vegetables, rice pudding, toilet rolls and washing powder. Instant mash and razors are also low in stock. Thank you