

# **st Mary's Burghfield**

**Newsletter 7 Friday 22nd May 2020**



**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2020 - Join us for our 10am 'Virtual' service via Zoom.**

**Readings: Acts 1.6-14, John 17.1-11**

**Today's Prayer:** Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph, fill your Church on earth with power and compassion, that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, to the glory of God, the Father.

Please find the link for this week's service:

Join Zoom Meeting

If you wish to join please contact :

[glynn.lautenbach@stmarysburghfield.org](mailto:glynn.lautenbach@stmarysburghfield.org) for log in instructions

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## **For Children**

**There are two children's worksheets attached**

**Weekly Children's message available on Sunday morning posted to Facebook/website**

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## Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May @7:30pm – Fellowship Study Group

Previously we have had a monthly Prayer meeting on the last Monday of the month. However, with lessening attendance and request for an evening bible study and fellowship group instead, we are going to experiment with a new group meeting twice a month on a Tuesday evening (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the month) at 7.30pm. The first will take place on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May via Zoom, so do come along, and join in. You might like to have a bible handy and have your tea/coffee too as we meet to chat, learn, and pray together. Look forward to seeing you on Tuesday evening. If you have any questions do get in touch with Revd Glynn

*Topic: Tuesday 26th May 7.30pm - Fellowship/Study Group*

*Time: May 26, 2020 19:30 London*

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### Oxford Diocese Services



#### Church at Home

Live-streamed and ‘as live’ worship is available for everyone across the Diocese of Oxford, these services complement the prayers, meditations and worship offered by local churches.

Our principal Diocesan services take place at 10 am each Sunday.

Please click on the [link](#) for the Diocesan website link for any further information.

#### Daily Hope telephone line

As well as the Church at Home weekly telephone service from the Diocese, a new national phoneline offers music, prayers, and reflections as well as full worship services. The line is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044

#### Reflections for a Church in Lockdown

A new series of reflective podcasts and online audio recorded by Bishop Steven. Each episode aims to resource the Church during the crisis.

# IMPORTANT

## Email Address

For all future correspondence with the Parish Administrator please use the below email address:

[stmarysburghfield@outlook.com](mailto:stmarysburghfield@outlook.com)



## Daily Readings for the week

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Psalms 93, Numbers 22.1-35, Luke 7.36-end  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May - Psalm 98, Numbers 22.36-23.12, Luke 8.1-15  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Psalm 2.29, Number 23-13-end, Luke 8.16-25  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May – Psalm 24, Numbers 24, Luke 8.26-39  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Psalm 28, Numbers 27.12-end, Luke 8.40-end  
Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May – Psalm 42, Numbers 32.1-27, Luke 9.1-17



## Prayers at St Mary's going forward

We are publishing three prayers and reflections per week (Mon, Wed, Fri) which we hope you will find helpful. These will be available on our website and Facebook page.

Thank you to those who have given feedback on how helpful you have found them.



## Please pray for:

- Burghfield Road, Church Lane, Hatch Lane
- Parish Centre and all who use it, Our Parish Centre housekeeper
- Those living with doubt and people who have no faith. Those who are seeking faith
- Those who have died recently, Doreen Chamberlain, Daphne Cowie

## The Bible Course



Due to the coronavirus situation, the Bible course has not been able to continue here at St Mary's.

The *Bible Course* has been adapted so that you can [watch the session videos](#) online for free

You can download the manual [here](#).

*These Videos will be available to watch for a limited time online (at least until the end of August).*

We hope that this development will be helpful and encouraging to you at this challenging time.

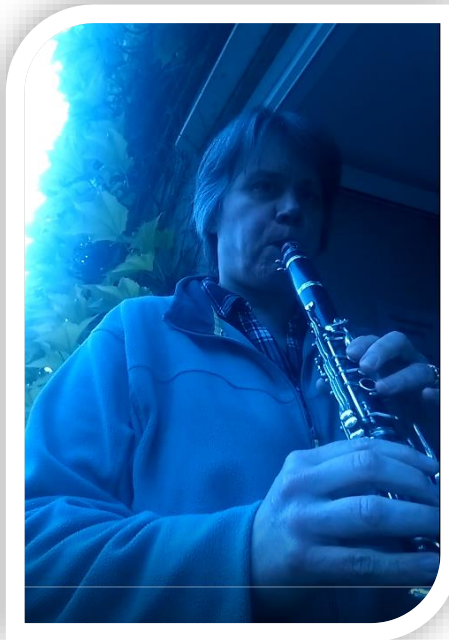


### **News from 'Our Church Community'** **We'd love to hear from you!**

Do you have any stories which have helped your faith during our time of crisis which you might like to share?

If you have any prayer requests please let us know and we can forward on to our prayer team.

If you have a request for a favourite hymn, let us know and we can pass this on to Gill.



Alison Clare-Dagleish has sent us a 'picture in action!'. She has been playing the song of 'over the rainbow' every Thursday outside her home whilst people clap for the NHS! I am sure this brightens up the street currently.

Well done Alison 😊

Please send in any photos of the wonderful things you are doing at home during this time.

Maybe you have seen wildlife and photographed on your daily walks?



## We'll sing again; don't know where, don't know when.....

At the recent Worship and Discipleship Committee meeting (held via Zoom from committee members' homes) we were looking ahead to the time when we can meet again in church to worship together. One thing we will really enjoy is singing together in our beautiful building, and we hope to hold a "Songs of Praise" service featuring some of our favourite hymns. **Now is your chance:** let us know **your** favourite hymns or songs (up to a maximum of five) and we will compile a list to see which ones are the all-time favourites. If you would like to say briefly why each of your chosen songs is special to you this would be great. Please let Eileen Thatcher know your choices, by email at [brianthatcher@btinternet.com](mailto:brianthatcher@btinternet.com), or by phone on 0118 933 3037. Let us be ready to sing again in church as soon as we can!



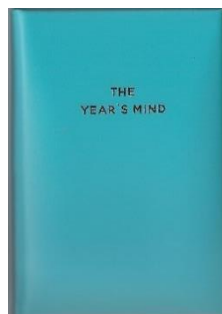
### The Year's Mind

It has long been our custom to remember in intercessions the names of those in our memorial book on the anniversary of their passing.

The list of names that we currently use is quite old and does not necessarily reflect the memories and needs of our current congregation. Although we will of course continue to remember the names in our memorial book in the chancel we thought we would invite you to add the names of your loved ones to the list, so that they too might be remembered on their anniversaries in our weekly prayers. The list would require your name, the name of the loved one, their relationship to you and the date of their anniversary.

For example

REQUEST MADE BY	NAME TO BE REMEMBERED	RELATIONSHIP	DATE OF ANNIVERSARY
<i>Margaret Thomas</i>	<i>Oscar Ramsey</i>	<i>Grandson</i>	1 <sup>st</sup> January



We have had a little book made for this purpose which will be kept in church, but if you would like to send names either to Margaret Thomas or to Jane our administrator, while we continue to meet via Zoom we can start recording and praying for these important names straight away.



### Parish Administrator Hours

Please note that my working hours will be reduced from **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2020**. I shall now be working from **08:00 – 11:00** until further notice. Anything sent after 11am will be replied to the following day.



### Weekly Reminders

- Do not forget to join in weekly at 8pm on Thursday nights, as we clap (or generally make a noise) to honour and show our support for everyone working so hard in the NHS as well as other keyworkers
- Reminder to place a candle in your window at 7pm on Sunday nights as a sign of hope and to show our prayer support for our neighbours and communities



During this time of lockdown please do not forget to update your profile on iKnow!  
We still have a lot of people who unfortunately have not completed their personal details  
. If you have any issues, please contact Janey on [stmarysburghfield@outlook.com](mailto:stmarysburghfield@outlook.com)



### Website

We are updating our website daily to ensure communication is kept between us and yourself at home. Please find useful links within our website:

Home Page – [Link](#)

Resources and updates during Coronavirus – [Link](#)

Online Videos - [Link](#)

We are also updating our website where we are adding photos to the 'Gallery' tab. If you have any photographs from past events which we can place in our gallery. Please can you forward to [stmarysburghfield@outlook.com](mailto:stmarysburghfield@outlook.com)



The foodbank in Burghfield is closed and all food will now be delivered direct from the warehouse in Greenham Common to clients with vouchers. They have completed the last of their deliveries this afternoon and have crated up the remaining stock and it will go back to the warehouse early next week. So as of now the foodbank is closed.

Obviously, food should **NOT** be dropped off there.

The new collection point will now be at **Budgens** and a collection point on a Tuesday at the post office, with a drop off remaining at **Tesco** in Burghfield. Please can we ask for as many donations as possible to be dropped to assist our community during this difficult time.

Donations may be made directly to their bank account, with the following details:

**Lloyds Bank, Newbury: Sorting Code 77-95-05**

**West Berks Foodbank: Account No. 72784660**

Or, you may send a cheque payable to "West Berks Foodbank" and send to: The Treasurer, West Berks Foodbank, 23 Charter Road, Newbury, Berks. RG14 7EW.

You may also wish to complete a **Gift Aid form to add 25% value to your donation**

**The banks are urgently needing the following**

SHAMPOO, NAPPIES SIZE 6, RICE PUDDING, TOOTHPASTE ADULT/CHILD, SUGAR  
KETCHUP, LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE

**The banks are low on the following:**

TINNED FRUIT, CUSTARD, SPONGE PUDDINGS, POT NOODLES, LONG LIFE MILK (UHT), MICROWAVE RICE