

# **st Mary's Church Burghfield**

*Welcoming all, growing faith, serving others*

## **Friday 4th November 2022**

*3rd Sunday Before*



## **Sunday 6th November 2022**

**10.00am Parish Communion**

*Hybrid Service (in Church and via Zoom)*

**Reading: Job 19.23-27, Luke 20.27-38**

**Today's Prayer: God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**3.00pm All Souls Service**

*(see next page for further details)*

Click [HERE](#) to access Zoom for 10.00am service.

This link will continue to be used as a recurring link for Sunday services, for those who would like to join us virtually. Please download and add the dates to your calendar or simply keep using the same link above

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Click [HERE](#) to add to calendar Meeting ID: 858 8936 7180 & Password: 508863



*Click below for the daily Bible Readings*

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PRAYER DIARY



*Click below for our prayer diary*



**Click for this week's children's worksheet!**



Please pray with us for those who have died recently:

Christine Beasley, Ann Sutton, Marion Fielding (Known as Marna)

Years Mind: Carrie Louise Judge.

## What's Happening?

**Saturday 5th Nov**

**10:00am Community Churchyard work party**

**10:00am Operation Christmas Child shoebox packing**

**Sunday 6th Nov**

**10:00am Parish Communion**

**3:00pm All Souls Service followed by refreshments**

Anyone is welcome to attend and please remember to send any names of loved ones, who have died, so they can be prayed for during the service.

**Monday 7th Nov**

**10:00 Morning Prayer**

**Thurs 11th Nov**

**09:30/10:00am Garland School Visit**

**Sunday 13th Nov**

**Please note change to usual service times.**

**9:00am Short said Communion service (no hymns)**

**10:30am Remembrance Service (at War Memorial)**

**Monday 14th Nov**

**09:00am Morning Prayer**

**Saturday 19th Nov**

**12:00noon Memorial Service and Interment of Ashes for Ann Sutton**

All who knew Ann are invited to attend the service, and the family would like to invite you to lunch in the parish centre following the service. For catering purposes, please let Glynn know by Sunday 6th November if you are able to stay for lunch, and she will pass the numbers on to Ann's family.

**Message from Ann's family:**

Ann did not like black clothes, nor mourning for those of a good age. Please, therefore, wear whatever you feel comfortable in.

For donations in lieu of flowers please follow this link

<https://annsutton.muchloved.com/>

**Sunday 20th Nov**

**10:00am Parish Communion**

**BRING AND BUY sale at Breakfast@church and after 10.00am service**

**12:30pm Baptism**



## Shoebox Packing 'Party'

### Parish Centre Lower Room, St Mary's Church

### Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November 10.00-12.00

#### What is Operation Christmas Child?

Operation Christmas Child offers gift filled shoeboxes to children in need worldwide. For some children it is the first gift that they have ever received. Working alongside Christian 'outreach' organisations and local churches, many children who receive a shoebox are also given the Greatest Gift book; followed up with an opportunity to understand more about Jesus. Shoeboxes are a tangible gift of God's love.

#### Where might the shoebox be distributed?

186 million children have received shoeboxes in the last 30 years in 160 different countries. This year, 85% of boxes will be distributed to Ukraine and neighbouring countries supporting Ukrainian refugees.

#### How can you help?

Collect standard size shoeboxes (approx. 28x12x10cm) and bring to church

Wrap shoeboxes so that the lid is removeable/ openable and bring to church

Start collecting items that may be included in a shoebox (as below)

Fill your own shoebox, then bring to 'Packing party'

Join us on 5th November to wrap and pack multiple shoeboxes

Knit, crochet or sew: hats, gloves, scarves, bags, purses, pencil cases, puppets, toys (filled with toy stuffing)

Woodwork- make toys with recycled wood

Suggested £5 donation per box sent to support distribution costs (details on how you can follow your box via [www.Samaritans-purse.org.uk](http://www.Samaritans-purse.org.uk))

#### What can I include in a shoebox?

Special items: Football with pump, Doll, cuddly toy, musical instrument

Toys: toy cars, yo-yo, skipping rope, Any battery operated toys with spare batteries, balls, small puzzles, finger puppets, playdoh, playing cards

Non-liquid hygiene items: toothbrushes, bar of soap, face cloth/ sponge, comb/ hairbrush, lip salve

School supplies: Pens, pencils, sharpener, crayons, notebooks, colouring book, picture books, solar calculator, glue stick, tape

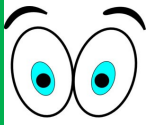
Accessories: Hat, gloves, scarf, mittens, flip-flops, T-shirt, Socks, sunglasses. Jewellery, torch & batteries, Watch. Hair accessories, water bottle,

Personalise a note, card &/or include a photo

PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE: Liquids or lotions, toothpaste, sweets, used items, seeds, food items, aerosols, sharp items, war, religious or political related items, aerosols, pocket knives, glow sticks

**For more information, visit [www.Samaritans-purse.org.uk](http://www.Samaritans-purse.org.uk) or pick up leaflet from church porch or parish centre entrance**

**or contact Sara Fantham [sara.fantham11@gmail.com](mailto:sara.fantham11@gmail.com) 07879 472017**



Would you like to learn more about Christianity, the Bible, and grow in your own faith in a group setting? See these opportunities below.



### Fellowship Study Group

2nd and 4th Tuesdays in a month,

**Next meeting Tuesday 8th November 20**

You are invited to join us via Zoom at 7.30pm,

(see links below)

**New 3 week course on  
'The Beatitudes'**

**25th Oct, 8th & 22nd Nov**

Monthly on the **Second** Tuesday  
08th Nov,

Please click [here](#) to Join

Meeting ID: 820 2931 4513

Passcode:746158

Monthly on the **Fourth** Tuesday  
22nd Nov

Please click [here](#) to join

Meeting ID: 842 8715 7491

Passcode: 062993



## Emmaus



What's Emmaus about?

It's a group of friends who meet twice a month on the first and third Wednesday mornings of the month (10 am – 11.30 am) to enjoy reading and talking about the Bible together, drinking coffee, munching biscuits and generally have a good chat.

You don't need to be a Bible scholar because we all learn together and help each other along the road. We usually meet at Margaret's house in Loves Close. Just ask Margaret, Susan Potter, or Lesley Brigden about it. We'd love you to join in.

### Advent Course— 'Travelling Light'

Coming soon for 4 weeks during Advent on Tuesday nights (29th November , 6th, 13th 20th December). Watch this space for further details

**The Bible Course** An eight-session course helping you explore the world's bestseller!

Way back in 2020 we began 'The Bible Course' which had to pause due to the pandemic. We are thinking about starting it again next year on a Wednesday night. If you are interested in joining in and learning more about the Bible, please get in touch with either Don Sinclair or Revd Glynn.



We are delighted to announce that after interviews this week, we are in the process of appointing Mrs Jo Dore to take on the post of our Parish Administrator. Jo lives locally and we look forward to welcoming her to our team from the beginning of December.



Further up and coming events currently placed in the diary for you to attend, or avoid the church when they are taking place

22nd Nov	Wreath Making @ 7:00pm
23rd Nov	Soup Lunch 12.30 at 7 Coopers Place
3rd Dec	South Berks concert
4th Dec	Toy Sunday—donations to Berkshire Women’s Aid and Spotlight UK Children's Society Cake Sale and Raffle 5:00pm Carols on the Hatch
10th & 11th Dec	Christmas Tree Festival
8th Dec	10:30am - 12:30pm Coffee Morning at 4 Loves Close
24th Dec	Christingle
January 2023	Games Evening—Details to be confirmed soon!
February 2023	Film Night - with Popcorn and Ice Cream Details to be confirmed soon!



**Did you know that the Foodbank now has its local outlet back at St Oswald’s Church on Fridays between 1-3pm**

local food collection points are as below:

- ◆ **St Mary’s Church-** collection point in our church porch.
- ◆ **Tesco Express** in Burghfield – opening hours 6.00am – 11pm
- ◆ **Co-op** in Mortimer—opening hours 7.00 am –9pm

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**

**Please click [Here](#) to find out what food donations are urgently needed at the foodbank.**



**St Marys Food Bank contact person:**

Anne Eatwell - 07747 535540 or 0118 9832666  
If you have any questions or would like to offer help in any way please get in touch with Anne.

Foodbank have this [link](#) that you can follow and add to your Instagram feed:



November Individual Initiative- make Christmas Gifts for sale at the November Bring and Buy and at the Christmas Tree Festival; Ideas could include: Pots of Spring Flowering Bulbs for indoors or outdoors, Stocking Filler gifts, Winter knits - gloves, hats etc, Christmas Decorations, Christmas Bunting, Edible treats.

Sunday 20 November-Bring and Buy sale @ Breakfast Church and after the 10am Service: Please come laden with all your wonderful Donations and be prepared to buy lots of lovely Gifts and Decorations to start your Christmas in style.

Wednesday 23 November-A scrumptious Soup Lunch and Raffle is on offer. 7 Coopers Place, Burghfield Common, RG7 3AG is the place to be! Please car share to avoid parking complications.



10th & 11th Dec Christmas Tree Festival & Fundraising Fun



Please can we ask for Raffle donations for all our various fundraising activities.

These can be given to the Fundraising Team. Thank you.



**NEW  
Amazing  
TOTAL!  
£4522.22**



We are back for Christmas 2022, fundraising by holding a Silent Auction of some lovely homemade, money can't (otherwise!) buy, Festive Treats.

If you haven't pledged your Promise yet, please let Margaret Thomas know as soon as possible.

The Silent Auction has launched on our Face Book page. The link is [HERE](#) for bids to be submitted. You can also place your bid on the posters that you will find in Church from 6/11/22

**HIGHEST BID WINS**, so please check regularly to make sure that you haven't been outbid!

CLOSING DATE for BIDS is 3 December.

**HIGHEST BID WINS. Good Luck.**



### Let's talk theology NEW SERIES

An opportunity to explore theological questions in an informal way

## EXPLORING ASPECTS OF WISDOM

<b>PRACTICAL WISDOM</b> Proverbs	14 <sup>th</sup> Sep
<b>THE PROBLEM OF SUFFERING</b> Job	12 <sup>th</sup> Oct
<b>WISDOM COMES OF AGE</b> Ecclesiasticus (Wisdom of Sirach)	9 <sup>th</sup> Nov

Time: 7:30pm

Venue: The Parish Room, St. Mary's Sulhamstead, RG7 4ED

Facilitated by Derek Spears (dspears.awb@gmail.com)



Spiritual Development Group BRADFELD DEANERY

To All Friends on our Database for the Spiritual Development Group, Bradfield Deanery

Please find attached our planned new series of Let's Talk Theology sessions. It's great to now be back to holding 'in person' meetings.

These sessions have been very interesting and informative for people wishing to explore key topics from a biblical and theological perspective.

Kind regards Gordon Patterson Publicity Officer

M: 07764 476361



### 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



We at St Mary's now offer an online donation page! If you would like to donate, please click on the link:



<https://givealittle.co/campaigns/77b371b3-68f6-4729-a808-8fd58d9c589f>

Thank you for supporting our ministry and mission



## Contact Details

Rector -Revd Glynn Lautenbach

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Parish Administrator Tuesday –Friday 08:45 –12:45 Office location—Homebased  
If you need a face to face meeting please email or call on the below to arrange a date and time

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Website: [www.stmarysburghfield.org](http://www.stmarysburghfield.org)

Find us on [Facebook](#) too! Photos and news of upcoming and recent events on our page "St Mary's Church Burghfield".

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

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## Church Cleaning

Please join our happy band in cleaning the church

**Our next cleaning Date is:**

**Friday 18 November at 7pm**

Many hands make light work and it is a joy to care for our beautiful building.

Please don't forget to come and help. Thank you in anticipation!

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