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ANDOVER, BASINGSTOKE,
HOOK, TADLEY AND
BURGHFIELD COMMON



**St Michael's Parish, Tadley,
Kingsclere,
and St Oswald's Church,
Burghfield Common**

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COVENANT TO THE PEOPLE

If you would like help from the Covenant to the People scheme, please call Mary Lee on (0118) 9813321.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament is celebrated on most Saturdays in St Michael's Church from 5pm to 5.30pm.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Good Friday/Holy Places £ 297.99
Easter Offerings £ 898.87
28/04/19 £ 221.79



**THIRD SUNDAY & FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
05 MAY AND 12 MAY 2019**

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Tadley and Kingsclere and Burghfield Common Masses

Sundays:	6.00pm	Saturday Vigil Mass	Tadley
	9.15am	Sunday Parish Mass	Tadley
	11.15am	Sunday Parish Mass	Burghfield Common

Week Days 05 May - 11 May 2019

12:00 Noon	Thu 9 May	Tadley	<i>Eastertide Mass</i>
12:00 Noon	Fri 10 May	Tadley	<i>Eastertide Mass</i>

Week Days 12 May - 18 May 2019

12:00 Noon	Wed 15 May	Tadley	<i>Eastertide Mass</i>
12:00 Noon	Fri 17 May	Tadley	<i>Eastertide Mass</i>

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Entrance Antiphon: Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm: I will praise you, Lord, you have recued me.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has risen: he who created all things, and has granted his mercy to men. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Jesus said to his disciples: come and eat. And he took bread and gave it to them, alleluia.

Next Sundays Readings (Fourth Sunday of Easter)

Apostles 13:14. 43-52. Apocalypse 7:9. 14-17. John 10:27-30.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Entrance Antiphon: The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia!



WE WELCOME IN BAPTISM ON THE 11TH MAY 2019
ESMÉ MOLLIE WESTON

DEACON ANTHONY

Diana, Anthony's wife, has asked Father Patrick to pass on her thanks to all in the Parish for their prayers and for the card from our Parish community, which was sent to them. Since Easter, things have improved considerably, although he is still undergoing checks to determine exactly why he was so badly ill. He is now in the Rehabilitation Centre in Lymington and is able to walk with a wheeled support and medical assistance, following considerable time in hospital, which seriously affected his physical strength and ability to walk unaided. So please keep in your prayers. Diana would also appreciate prayers as the last few weeks have left her very tired, but she is delighted to be able to visit him locally.

**TONY DARROCH'S PRE-DIACONATE PILGRIMAGE FOR
SEA CHARITIES**

Tony writes: When I first started my training almost 4 years ago, there were 10 students, this was reduced to five by the start of the second year and all five of us are now preparing for Ordination, 3 of us in Portsmouth Diocese and one each from Shrewsbury and Birmingham. At the beginning of year 2, we proposed that should we get to fourth year we would walk part of an ancient pilgrimage to Santiago in Northern Spain to help our preparations for Ordination.

We have funded our travel, hotel and food costs ourselves and thought that it would be good to raise funds for charity at the same time. The charities we have chosen are the Apostleship of the Sea and the Fishermen's Mission. The links below will take anyone who would like to support us to the Just Giving pages where an online donation can be made alternatively sponsorship forms can be found at the back of the churches. Any donation will be appreciated as will your prayers." <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/anthony-darroch1> OR <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/anthony-darroch>

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

This is on the weekend of 11th/12th May, and there is an Obligatory Collection for our Diocesan Clergy Training Fund. The object is to make us all aware of the need for more vocations to the Priesthood in England and Wales, and also of the call of some men to the Permanent Diaconate, as well as the need for more religious brothers and sisters.

Quite simply, without the support of priests from various countries in Africa, from India, from Poland and elsewhere, many of our parishes would be without Sunday Masses or a permanent priest. And many priests are growing older, looking to some retirement.

Bishop Philip has launched a concerted effort since assuming pastoral care of our Diocese of Portsmouth to increase interest in all vocations, including marriage, and particularly to the priesthood.

Now a Vocations Team has been established under the leadership of Father John Cooke, and since last autumn has developed the following:

A Website: see www.portsmouthvocations.org.uk

A monthly Seeker Night: on each First Friday of the month, there is an evening based around meal, a reflection/talk and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Information can be found on posters in our Parish.

A Prayer Network: this is specifically for vocations generally, and details can be found on the website.

On the weekend of 11th/12th May, the Vocations Team enables us to use some of the material that has been provided for the Diocese this year.

Postcard size prayer cards will be available at our churches that weekend. During this weekend, parents might ask themselves: Do we pray for a son to become a priest if that is God's will? Do we make our children aware of the idea of vocations of various sorts as a call from God to each Baptised person? Do we promote vocations in our Christian witness of marriage?

ORDINATION TO THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

Bishop Philip has called Tony Darroch of our Tadley community to serve as a Permanent Deacon in the Diocese of Portsmouth. As a Deacon he shares in the Sacrament of Orders, although not in Ministerial Priesthood, and becomes a member of the clergy. His Ordination Mass, with others for the Permanent Diaconate, will be at St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth, on Sunday 21st July 2019 at 2:00pm. Roy Singh has kindly agreed to organise a coach for parishioners to attend from all our communities, and there will be more news on this later.

On Sunday 28th July, there will only be ONE Sunday Mass in the Parish, at St Oswald's Church at 10:30am, to celebrate God's choice of Tony for the Diaconate. Tony has become well known at both our churches since our union as one Parish, so this will be a special day of celebration for our Parish and an opportunity for all to pray for God to bless Tony's ministry. Following the Mass, there will be a special lunch in the Leonard Rooms, which Pam, Tony's wife, will organise with support from parishioners in our communities. Please make a note in your diaries now.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

There is a Parish Pilgrimage being arranged by Bill and Joy Reilly through St Peter's Pilgrimages who arrange Catholic pilgrimages. This will take place 04th October – 11th October 2019. The cost includes return flights to Tel Aviv, including taxes and inflight meals, private coach transport in Israel, 3* & 4* Hotel with Half Board, local Christian tour guide and all entrance fees. Not included in the price are single room supplements, travel insurance, lunches and drinks, transport in the UK, any optional excursions or any other costs of a personal nature. The cost for this is £1,290pp. IF you are interested in joining Bill and Joy Reilly, please contact them directly on 0118 981 3784 or Email billjoyreilly@yahoo.co.uk

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK TALK

This takes place on Thursday 16th May at 7:00pm in St Michael's Parish Room, as part of our Churches Together Around Tadley involvement. Mary Jackson from Christian Aid will be speaking about

work in Sierra Leone. All Welcome.

BAMENDA CAKE SALE

This will take place at coffee after the 9:15am Mass in Tadley on Sunday 12th May. Fr Patrick apologises for not being present as he will be on his way to St Oswald's Church for 11:15am Mass. Donations of cakes are welcome. Please contact Mary Lee on 07821 254 100 if you are providing one.

The Archbishop of Bamenda has established ad hoc committees in each of his parishes to dispense aid directly to those in need during the present crisis of discrimination against the English speaking areas of Cameroon by the Francophone Government. This has resulted in violence and counter violence, with the death of two priests and a seminarian.

There are full details of the appeal by our Portsmouth Diocese Bamenda Commission on the posters in our churches, which have been on display during Holy Week and Easter.

Cakes may also be brought at this cake sale. Any donations to the appeal are also welcome.

PARISH BIKE RIDE

This takes place from St Michael's Church on Saturday 1st June, starting at 10:00am. Contact Jo for further details on 07963 551 988.

MARCH FOR LIFE UK (11TH MAY 2019)

This day, which hopes to bring to our country's attention the damage of direct abortion not only to unborn children but also to women and men, starts at 9:30am.

There is an indoor festival called Life Fest 19, which includes speakers, live music, children's activities, educational stalls, workshops and prayer. To attend this booking is required either through marchforlife.co.uk, 07773501721, or 07885505116. The festival ends at 1:30pm.

The March starts at 2:00pm, and will cross the city to where keynote speeches will be given. The march does not require people to book. Posters are available in our churches.

ABORTION UPDATE

RIGHT TO LIFE has warned that new abortion guidelines recommended by the National Institute for Clinical Excellence (NICE) will "rush women" through the abortion process. Draft recommendations include encouraging self-referrals for abortion instead of consultations with a GP and reducing the time women are required to wait before abortion.

Father Patrick was shocked to see, in one of our high-street pharmacies, several prominent adverts for home based abortions, as if the matter was like treating some illness. Such abortions have a risk factor in them, especially if no qualified medical person is available. Serious bleeds or side effects do happen.

There are increasing attempts being made to prevent those opposed to direct abortion who are not violent or disruptive being prevented from doing so.

In 2017, "pro-choice" groups wanted the Home Secretary to bring in national buffer zones around abortion clinics. When the Good Counsel Network went to speak at a full Council meeting in Ealing, where a buffer zone was being considered, nine mothers they had helped attended. They came to express their gratitude and love for members who had helped them not to have abortions. Yet one councillor, a woman, stated, "Those women shouldn't be here. This has nothing to do with them".

In April 2018, Home Secretary Sajid Javid rejected a national law against buffer zones. On the evidence, he found that protestors were generally peaceful and such a law would not be proportionate. His predecessor, Amber Rudd, told The Guardian in September 2018 that she had visited the Ealing abortion clinic. She stated "I saw there was no harassment", which reflected the conclusions of Mr. Javid's report in her view. Ealing Council had brought in a local buffer zone on 23rd April 2018.