

**NORTH WEST
HAMPSHIRE**

PASTORAL AREA

SERVING THE PARISHES OF
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 Bill Reilly on (0118) 981 3784.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament is celebrated on most Saturdays in St Michael's Church from 5pm to 5.30pm, but not on Saturday 8th September

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

18/19 Aug £156.78
25/26 Aug £243.56

**TWENTY-THIRD
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9th SEPTEMBER 2018**

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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 commencing 9 September 2018

12noon	Thu 13 Sep	Tadley	<i>St John Chrysostom (Memorial)</i>
12noon	Fri 14 Sep	Tadley	<i>The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Feast)</i>

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance Antiphon: You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

Response to the Psalm: My soul, give praise to the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus proclaimed the Good News of the kingdom, and cured all kinds of sickness among the people. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God: my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

Next Sunday's Readings: (Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Isaiah 50:5-9. St James 2:14-18. Mark 8:27-35.

MARRIAGE CONGRATULATIONS!

Our best wishes and prayers for Gethin Thomas and Emily Russell who marry at St Oswald's Church on Saturday 8th September.

MICHAELMAS (THE MASS OF MICHAEL):

This Mass will be Celebrated on Friday 28th September at 7:00pm, followed by a Reception in the Parish Room, at St Michael's Church. As this is a Solemnity we are allowed to celebrate a Vigil Mass the evening before as it is everything, except a Holyday of Obligation. Next year is the 60th Anniversary of St Michael's Church and the Solemnity falls as the Sunday Mass.

CHILD PROTECTION AND VULNERABLE ADULT AWARENESS

The following training courses are being run in the Diocese for those who work/volunteer with children and vulnerable adults within our Parish Area.

Child Protection Awareness: Saturday 6th October at English Martyrs Church, Reading 10:00am-12:30pm and Saturday 20th October at the Dorman Room, next to St Bernadette's Church, Pangbourne 10:00-12:30pm.

Vulnerable Adults Awareness: Saturday 6th October at English Martyrs Church, Reading 10:00-12:30pm (This is being run at the same time as the Child Protection Awareness Session)

Saturday 20th October at The Dorman Room, next St Bernadette's Church, Pangbourne 1:30pm-4:00pm.

To book your place on any of these courses please contact Soraya Ciccarone on 02392816396/02392836511. Also see the posters in our churches.

DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS

1. The Collection for The Catholic Education Service is not Obligatory, and will not be taken in the Parish on the weekend of 8th/9th September. However if you have envelopes for this Collection and wish to contribute, please put them in the Parish Collection, and they will be forwarded as necessary.
2. The Collection for Home Mission Sunday is Obligatory, and will be taken at all Masses on the weekend of 15th/16th September.

WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?

Possibly the most important question Jesus addressed to His apostles, to which Simon Peter replied, on behalf of all the Baptised: "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God."

Our country is a Missionary Country, where the teaching of the Gospel is rejected by many and not understood by most people. Yet there is a real desire amongst many of our fellow citizens to hear The Good News in a society which struggles to seek that which is good. Home Mission Sunday is a reminder to us that the Church is open to those who seek Christ in our country. Only a few days ago, a local person told Fr Patrick how helpful he had found the information site supported by this Collection. Your money supports this work.

TADLEY FOODBANK IS MOVING!

From September to December it will be based at Tadley Common Methodist Church. Open every Tuesday from 11:00am –12:30pm. The Foodbank is appealing for volunteers to help...Could you volunteer? If you would like more information please speak to Pauline Penfold or email admin@basingstoke.foodbank.org.uk.

THE WINTER NIGHT SHELTER

The Winter Shelter, offering friendship, a hot meal and shelter to the town's homeless rough sleepers during the coldest 3 months of the year, is starting again in Basingstoke on 1st December.

Could you help the underprivileged, by volunteering this year? We need drivers, cooks, washers-up, greeters, people for set up & break down, laundry, etc. You will find it a most satisfying & rewarding experience! You do not have to commit to all 13 weeks of the time.

If you have not volunteered before, you must undergo training at one of the sessions (approx. 2 hours) being held at Sarum Hill Centre on either Saturday morning 29th September or Tuesday evening 16th October. There will be a briefing session at St Bedes at 7.30pm on Thursday 20th Sept for anyone (min age 18 years) who would like to know more about helping in the winter shelters, which start on 1st December.

If anyone would like more information, please contact Pat Murphy 07785 312486.

CROSSLINK IS 30!

On Friday 5th October Crosslink will be having its Annual Meeting and 30 year Celebration of helping volunteers care for people in and around Tadley. If you would like to join in with this celebration, please contact the Co-Ordinators on 07884 016 367 ASAP.

THE HAPPINESS LAB IS BACK

The next Happiness Lab will be starting on Monday 1st October at 7:30pm at the Salvation Army. This venture is open to anybody over the age of 18 and the aim is to improve each member's level of happiness (as measured by them). For more information please see the Posters in St Michael's Church, Tadley.

THE MARRIAGE COURSE

Starting on Wednesday 10th October 2018 at 7:15pm lasting 8 weeks. This course helps couples to understand one another's needs, communicate more effectively allowing them to grow closer to each other and so much more. This will be held at The Immanuel Centre, Tadley United Reformed Church. To book please contact mandjward@hotmail.co.uk

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BURGHFIELD, SULHAMSTEAD AND MORTIMER AGM

This takes place at Burghfield Methodist Church at 7:30pm on Thursday 13th September. All are welcome. We also welcome the Reverend Chris Evans as the new minister at Burghfield Methodist Church.

CARING FOR OUR TADLEY CHURCH

The recent death of Paul Samuel highlighted the fact that a man who was very unwell over the years felt so deeply about the Tadley Church grounds being welcoming and a sign of a community which cared for God's home. He spent considerable time caring for the grounds, assisted by a number of parishioners on an ad hoc basis, and particularly by Brenda O'Donovan, who became his "assistant".

During this time, Clive Warner, a non Catholic, in gratitude for the support of Fr Patrick during the illness of his grandson, Oliver, established the three rose bowls at the end of the car park. He and his wife call from time to time to check on them, but live several miles away.

People comment on how nice the flowers are and how our Tadley church area looks so welcoming. However, recently a non-Catholic commented to Fr Patrick that the spread of weeds around the perimeter did not look good, and asked if he might spray them when he got time!

After discussion with Brenda, she would be grateful if a group of parishioners would come together to help on a voluntary basis. There is a list in Tadley church for people to sign, with no commitment, so that a meeting can be arranged as soon as possible.

If little interest is shown, Fr Patrick will have to look forward to living alongside a jungle! It is up to the community to recognise its responsibility to care for its palace of worship.

DIOCESAN YOUTH EVENTS

All information can be found on the flyers in our churches.

1. Annual Day for Altar Servers: This takes place at Christ the King Church, Northumberland Avenue, Reading on 13th October from 10:00am-4:00pm
2. Youth Sunday with Bishop Philip: This takes place at St John's Cathedral on Sunday 25th November from 5:00pm-7:00pm
3. Launch of the Blog

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019

Fr Patrick would like to know by Sunday the 7th October 2018 the names of all those who wish to receive the Sacrament of the Altar in 2019.

They must be aged 8 years by the end of **June 2019** and should be regular Church attendees. Completed forms should be returned in an envelope addressed to Fr Patrick. The First Communion Mass will be at St Michael's Church, Tadley, this year.

NAME OF CANDIDATE:

ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE NO:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

DATE OF BIRTH:

NAMES OF PARENTS:

(Who agree to participate in the Preparation Programme)