

**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**

**St. Michael's Church**  
Bishopswood Road, Tadley,  
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**St. Oswald's Church**  
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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, and then Gerry Penfold on (0118) 981 1247 for October.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

The Sacrament is celebrated on most Saturdays in St Michael's Church from 5pm to 5.30pm, but not on Saturdays 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> October.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

08/09 Sep £293.10  
15/16 Sep £237.18



**TWENTY-FIFTH TO TWENTY-EIGHTH  
SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**23<sup>rd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2018**  
**7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2018**

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**Tadley and Kingsclere and Burghfield Common Masses**

<b>Sundays:</b>	6.00pm	Saturday Vigil Mass	<b>Tadley</b>
	9.15am	Sunday Parish Mass	<b>Tadley</b>
	11.15am	Sunday Parish Mass	<b>Burghfield Common</b>

**Week commencing 23 September 2018**

12noon	Mon 24 Sep	<b>Tadley</b>	
			<i>Our Lady of Walsingham (Memorial)</i>
7:00pm	Fri 28 Sep	<b>Tadley</b>	
			<i>Ss Michael, Gabriel &amp; Raphael (Solemnity)</i>

**Week commencing 30 September 2018**

**No Masses to be held this week**

**Week commencing 8 October 2018**

12noon	Mon 08 Oct	<b>Tadley</b>	
			<i>Feria</i>
12noon	Fri 12 Oct	<b>Tadley</b>	
			<i>Feria</i>

**Week commencing 14 October 2018**

**No Masses to be held this week**

**DUE TO UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES!**

The Parish Office will be closed next week: 24-28 September. This is because our part-time Secretary, Mrs Winsper, has a potentially life threatening heart condition, which was diagnosed at the end of August. Since the diagnosis, things have progressed, and have become slightly more complicated. Next week Shelley will be having invasive tests, possibly leading to open-heart surgery before Christmas. She will know full details after a meeting with the specialist on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Should surgery follow soon afterwards she will need a recovery period of three months. Please keep her in your prayers. If any IT qualified member of the Parish would be prepared to give temporary support during her recovery, Fr Patrick and Mrs Winsper need to know as soon as possible. Please approach Fr Patrick directly on this matter. It may be that the Office will have to close if no support can be found during the coming months. Our Diocesan Office is being informed of the situation. Many thanks for your understanding during that which may be a difficult time. In respect of these developments, the Newsletter covers the next four weeks, Fr Patrick also being away during this time.

**NOT AVAILABLE**

Fr Patrick will not be available during the week 1<sup>st</sup> October –6<sup>th</sup> October, attending a Diocesan Conference on helping priests to be more resilient in a time of cultural change! He also hopes to attend a Pastoral Area Clergy Meeting on his return that week and an evening meeting.

On the week of 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> October he is not available, having arranged a few days at St John's Seminary to prepare for Advent and the Birthday of the Lord. During this year he has had no chance to get away for a few days of prayer, which is not good.

## **TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Entrance Antiphon:** I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

**Response to the Psalm:** The Lord upholds my life.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Through the Good News God called us to share the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** I am the Good Shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep and mine know me.

## **TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Entrance Antiphon:** All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

**Response to the Psalm:** The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in truth. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

## **TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Entrance Antiphon:** Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

**Response to the Psalm:** May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

## **TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Entrance Antiphon:** If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

**Response to the Psalm:** Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** When the Lord appears, we shall be like he like him, for we shall see him as he is.

## **MICHAELMAS (THE MASS OF MICHAEL):**

This Mass will be Celebrated on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> 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 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St Michael's Church and the Solemnity falls as the Sunday Mass.

## **MASS COUNTS**

These take place at ALL weekend Masses during the next four weeks starting the weekend of 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> September

## **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 1<sup>st</sup> December.

Are you able to help this year? 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 29<sup>th</sup> September or Tuesday evening 16<sup>th</sup> October. This starts on 1<sup>st</sup> December. If anyone would like more information, please contact Pat Murphy 07785 312486.

## **OCTOBER EVENTS**

### **WHAT NO EYE HAS SEEN!**

Woolhampton Parish is organising 12 sessions on the insights of Christian Spiritual Masters, starting in October at Douai Abbey. Full details of this interesting course are on the posters in our churches, with information about booking for them.

### **THE HAPPINESS LAB IS BACK**

The next Happiness Lab will be starting on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> 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. Please contact Mary Lee if you are interested (0118) 981 3221.

### **CROSSLINK IS 30!**

On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **A DAY WITH MARY**

This takes place at our Cathedral in Portsmouth on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October. Full details on the poster in St Michael's Church.

### **CAFOD VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR PARISH**

On the weekend of 6/7<sup>th</sup> October we keep the CAFOD Harvest Fast Day with a Voluntary Collection for the monies raised by our penances on the previous Friday. This year Jo Lewry, one of our CAFOD Diocesan representatives, will be speaking at all our Masses about the work of CAFOD and the intention to have a local representative from each of our Sunday Masses in respect of CAFOD events nationally and locally. Fr Patrick has been working with Anne Reilly to facilitate this and expresses his thanks to her for her help. More details will follow Fr Patrick's meeting with Jo on 24<sup>th</sup> September.

### **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: Please note that the [Child Protection Awareness and Adult Protection Awareness](#) on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October at English Martyrs Church, Reading at 10:00am –12:30pm **are being run separately but at the same time.**

**Child Protection Awareness:** Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October at English Martyrs Church, Reading 10:00am-12:30pm and Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October

at the Dorman Room, next to St Bernadette's Church, Pangbourne 10:00-12:30pm.

**Vulnerable Adults Awareness:** Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October at English Martyrs Church, Reading 10:00-12:30pm. Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **THE 25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE RESTORATION AND REDEDICATION OF MORTIMER WEST END CHAPEL (1993-2018)**

Our friends at Mortimer West End Chapel welcome parishioners to attend this Service on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 10:30am. David Sweetman (President, Countess of Huntingdon's Connexion) will be the speaker, and there is a buffet lunch afterwards. Full details on the posters our churches. Father Patrick regrets that he will be unable to attend because of the Sunday Masses in our Parish Area, but those at the celebration will be in his prayers and those of our Parish Area.

### THE MARRIAGE COURSE

Starting on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 7:15pm lasting 8 weeks, This will be held at The Immanuel Centre, Tadley United Reformed Church. To book please contact [mandjward@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mandjward@hotmail.co.uk).

### ST EDWARD'S CHURCH, WINDSOR

Fr Patrick served as a Deacon and as an assistant Priest at this fine church many years ago. He has many happy memories of his time there, and will be attending the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of its establishment on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October, at the invitation of Canon David Hopgood and its parishioners. Ad multos annos!

### ST OSWALD'S CHURCH HARVEST LUNCH

Parishioners from both our communities are invited to celebrate Harvest and God's blessings from the land after the 11:15am Mass at St Oswald's Church on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October. A list will be available at each of our churches so that people can indicate their attendance and provide provisions for the celebration.

### PARISH BIKE RIDE

Parish bike ride, October 20th at 10am, starting outside the church and covering between 10 to 15 miles. Children welcome if accompanied by an adult. Any further details call Jo Mellor 07963551988.

### DAY FOR ADULTS WHO HELP WITH CHILDREN'S LITURGY, FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION, BAPTISM RICA

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October, 10:00am to 4:00pm at Portsmouth Cathedral, led by the Formation for Mission Team. Bishop Philip will celebrate Mass in thanksgiving for all Diocesan catechists and Children's Liturgy teams. The day will be spent reflecting on the mission, charisms and role of the catechist, and sharing insights in workshops about 'making our teaching session great'. Lunch will be provided. Everyone involved or interested in catechesis and children's Liturgy is welcome. To book <http://portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/catechists> or phone the Dominican Sisters: 01590 681 874.

Please keep in your prayers Sister Catherine of the Dominican Sisters, at the request of Sister Hyacinthe, who directs the work outlined above. Sister Catherine has recently lost her sight, aged 36 years. She is in Southampton Hospital, and it is hoped that surgery will help her recover her vision. Pray also for the medical staff caring for her.

### 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 13<sup>th</sup> October from 10:00am-4:00pm
2. Youth Sunday with Bishop Philip: This takes place at St John's Cathedral on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November from 5:00pm-7:00pm
3. Launch of the Blog

### THE ANGELS ARE CALLING YOU!

Churches Together Around Tadley is supporting a project to knit lots of angels - which will be put out into our communities early in December as a way of bringing the Christian meaning of Christmas into people's lives and making them aware of the Services which will be happening in local churches for the Birthday of the Lord. The plan is to make as many angels as we can and to put a label on each one saying that it should be taken home by the finder - on the reverse of the label will be the times of Christmas services across the CTAT area. The angels will "magically" appear one morning in early December - we will need a flying team to put out the angels. Details of this to follow. First we need lots of angels.

If you can knit or crochet or sew and would like to be involved please contact Pauline Penfold.

### SCIENCE - OR - RELIGION? A SYMPOSIUM.

A big diocesan Symposium is taking place on Saturday 3rd November 2018, 10 am - 4 pm in The Discovery Centre in Winchester (opp. St. Peter's church) on Science and Religion. Two leading scientists will ask whether recent research on the Universe suggests the existence of a Creator. There will also be a series of workshops led by experts on such topics as Christianity and Extra Terrestrial Life, the Ethics of Artificial Intelligence and whether human consciousness is immortal. The Symposium is open to all, whether religious or not. See the diocesan e-News for more details. Places are limited and bookings are now open at <https://portsmouthdiocese.eventbrite.co.uk>

### THE SILENT SOLDIER

En route to the Silchester Ecumenical Group Meeting (CTAT) on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September, Fr Patrick was delighted to see the Silent Soldier silhouette as he entered the village. Whilst on a break with his brother recently, there was also one on display at the entrance to the shopping precinct in Warminster, Wiltshire.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November marks the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 1918 Armistice, which brought to an end the First World War. Our local churches in Tadley will be keeping this anniversary in various ways. On that Sunday there will be only ONE MASS in our Parish Area, at St Michael's Church, at 11:00am. The Catholic Church keeps Remembrance Sunday as a time of prayer for the souls of those who have died in war, friends and enemies, with permission for a Mass for the Dead, although it is a Sunday. It is also a time to pray for God's peace in our world. Especially this year we think of the end of the 1914-1918 World War.

Over 1 million British and Commonwealth troops died in that war, with 2 million wounded during it. The Silent Soldier is a reminder to us of the cost of war, even if justified. It also reminds us of those who returned to their homes shell-shocked and damaged emotionally and mentally by their terrible experiences.

Our thanks to the Reverend Canon Richard Harlow, the local Anglican Dean, for co-operating with Tadley Town Council to raise awareness of the Anniversary, It is hoped that the Silent Soldier will appear outside local buildings in and around Tadley, especially any that were occupied by men who died in the 1914-1918 war. Look out for the Silent Soldier and remember.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019

Fr Patrick would like to know by Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> 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)