

**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.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

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

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

09/10 June £341.63



**THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST  
24<sup>th</sup> JUNE**

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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 24 June 2018**

11:00am	Thu 28 Jun	<b>Tadley</b>	<i>St Irenaeus (Memorial)</i>
10:00am	Fri 29 Jun	<b>Burghfield Common</b>	<i>Ss Peter &amp; Paul Apostles (Solemnity)</i>
7:30pm	Fri 29 Jun	<b>Tadley</b>	<i>Ss Peter &amp; Paul Apostles (Solemnity)</i>

**ST JOHN THE BAPTIST—EVENING VIGIL (SAT EVE)**

**Entrance Antiphon:** He will be great in the sight of the Lord and will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb; and many will rejoice at his birth.

**Response to the Psalm:** From my mother's womb you have been my help.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! He came as a witness, as a witness to speak for the light, preparing for the Lord a people fit for him. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel! He has visited his people and redeemed them.

**ST JOHN THE BAPTIST—MASS DURING THE DAY (SUN MORN)**

**Entrance Antiphon:** A man was sent from God, whose name was John. He came to testify to the light, to prepare a people fit for the Lord.

**Response to the Psalm:** I thank you for the wonder of my being.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! As for you, little child, you shall be called a prophet of God, the most High. You shall go ahead of the Lord to prepare his ways before him. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Through the tender mercy of our God, the Dawn from on high will visit us.

**Next Saturday's Readings: (Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24. Corinthians 8:7.9. 13-15. Mark 5:21-43.

**THE SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL**

This is an Holyday of Obligation and is celebrated on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June, when Catholics are obliged to attend Mass unless there is a serious reason for not doing so. There will be a 10:00am Mass at St Oswald's, Burghfield Common and a 7:30pm Mass at St Michael's, Tadley. The obligation to abstain from meat in recognition of the Death of the Lord does not apply on this Friday, as is the case for ALL Solemnities falling on a Friday.

**PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION**

The traditional collection for the charities and work of the Pope is taken at all Masses on the weekend of 30<sup>th</sup> June 01<sup>st</sup> July.

**TADLEY CHURCH DOORS WORK**

On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July, work begins on replacing the Church doors at St Michael's Church, and will probably take a week. It may not be possible to have Masses during this work and there may be Health and Safety restrictions on people using the church. Fr Patrick will have to be available at times for this work, as was the case for the work on the patio. Mrs Winsper is away for some days during the week, so the Office will be closed from Midday 4<sup>th</sup> July to Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July. Fr Patrick apologises for the lack of availability at this time.



## **PARISH CONDOLENCES**

Our sincere condolences to Joan Curran on the death of her husband Cuz. Cuz was a devoted parishioner who was known for his work as a Lay Minister of the Eucharist. The Funeral Mass will probably be in July. Details will follow.

Asta Musinskiene lost her father suddenly in a road accident in the Baltic States recently. Asta attends both our churches and Fr Patrick assured her and her family of our prayers before she went home to her mother for the Funeral.

Our prayers are also with Queenie and John Gomez following the sudden death of her Son-in-Law, Peter Tolson.

## **THE HAPPINESS LAB**

Church leaders, psychologists and doctors are in agreement over some of the easiest ways to lead a happier life. The Happiness Lab aims to teach you some of these practices. Over 7 sessions you will practice gratitude, kindness, forgiveness etc. alongside other course members, encouraging each other to grow happiness in our lives. The cost is just £7 for the course (to cover materials). It is facilitated by members and ministers from the local churches in Tadley, using materials developed by [www.thehappineslab.org](http://www.thehappineslab.org). The course runs from Monday 2 July - Monday 13 August at 7.30pm - 9pm in The Salvation Army centre, Mulfords Hill.

If you would like to join the course, please email:

[richard73harlow@aol.com](mailto:richard73harlow@aol.com) or phone Barry Ashton on 0118 9815013

## **APPOINTMENT OF REFUGEE PROJECT DEVELOPMENT OFFICER**

In 2015 many of us with our Bishop were concerned about the unfolding tragedy of Syrian refugees who were compelled to leave their homeland seeking safety and a new life. Responding to this crisis our Bishop created the Diocesan Refugee Response Working Group (DRRWG), chaired by Fr John Lee and Fr Peter Hollins, with a variety of interested volunteer members, and asked them to explore how the Diocese can and should respond to this crisis.

In addition to creating educational resources for parishes (available at [www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/rrwg](http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/rrwg)), this group wrote a detailed and robust proposal for a project, in which the Diocese would be the lead sponsor on Community Sponsorship for Syrian refugees. As part of this, they recommended the recruitment of a Refugee Project Development Officer and detailed the specifications for this role. This officer will assist interested parishes, pastoral areas or other community groups to put in applications to directly sponsor a Syrian family through the Community Sponsorship Scheme. We are delighted to announce the appointment of Rosemary Lennon to the newly-created post of Refugee Project Development Officer. We will be hearing from Rosemary in a future edition of Enews.

To find out more about Community Sponsorship please see [www.gov.uk/government/publications/community-sponsorship-how-you-can-make-it-happen](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/community-sponsorship-how-you-can-make-it-happen).

## **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT WORKSHOP – SAT 7 JULY.**

You are warmly invited to a workshop that will look at the process of a parish helping people going through dying and bereavement. Our main speaker will be Kathryn Turner, head of the Department for Spirituality in the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. There will also be a few speakers from parishes in our diocese. Please come if you are at all interested in learning more, even if you or your parish aren't currently doing any work in this area. It will be held at Milner Hall, next to the Winchester parish centre, between 10am-12.30pm. Please book a free place by contacting Philippa Foster, the Leader of the Pastoral Care Services team in the diocese, on [pfoster@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:pfoster@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) If you cannot come but would be interested in registering your interest in this important pastoral care work, please email Philippa too, who is looking to help parishioners and parishes develop bereavement support.

## **MISSIO APPEAL**

On the weekend of 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> July, Fr Vincent Oates will be speaking

at all our Masses about the work of Missio. This is not an Appeal for money. He has kindly agreed to cover that weekend for Fr Patrick, who will be taking a break from Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July to Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> July.

## **IN GRATITUDE**

Marie-Thérèse Shennan, for some time one of our Lay Ministers of the Eucharist before she left Tadley, has been visiting recently, following her brother's stroke. She writes: Marie-Thérèse and her brother Paul would like to thank the Parish for their support and prayers over the last couple of months. Especially Sue and Danny Elliott who gave them practical help. Paul is recovering well.

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO ST MARY'S PARISH, BURGHELD!**

The following invitation has been received by Fr Patrick who extends his prayers and best wishes to all on behalf of our Catholic Parish: You are all invited to St Mary's weekend of celebration, its our 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary. At St Mary's, Burghfield we are holding a special service on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June, 10am with guest speaker; the church will be open from 10am -5pm on Saturday and after the service on Sunday 5pm. Come and help us celebrate with tea and cake; browse our displays of creativity and walk through memories of our shared community.

## **ST JOHN'S SEMINARY NEEDS OUR HELP!**

The Seminary, near Guildford, Surrey, which has been involved in the formation of priests for England & Wales for over 125 years is looking for some help with the cost of redecoration and refurbishment of 30 of its bedrooms, which have received little or no upgrading for 40+ years. Many rooms have threadbare carpets, and curtains which are close to disintegration. Some of the beds, mattresses and other furniture began their life in the Junior Seminary at Mark Cross, Sussex—which closed in 1970. The seminary operates on a very tight budget, and there are no funds available for this much-needed work, which would cost in the region of £2,000 per room. If you can help in anyway, please send a cheque payable to St John's Seminary to: Mgr. Gerry Ewing (Vice Rector), St John's Seminary, Wonerth, Guildford, Surrey GU5 0QX.

## **HEALING MINISTRIES AND SAFEGUARDING**

Fr Patrick and Den Anthony attended their yearly safeguarding meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> May in Basingstoke, renewing their authority to minister as clergy in our Diocese. This was worthwhile, concerning various scenarios that may confront clergy and an update on GDPR (General Data Protection Regulations), which became UK Law the following day. The afternoon session dealt with concerns over the exercise of Healing Ministries in the Diocese brought to the attention of our Safeguarding Office, especially involving groups from outside the Diocese. Recently Christian clergy have been brought to court because of actions in Deliverance Ministry constituting physical and emotional/mental abuse. Any exercise of Healing Ministry in a Parish comes under the authority of the Parish Priest who should be fully informed when this is requested affecting parishioners. He alone authorises Services.

Bishop Philip has established a consultation group in response to issues raised, and the Diocese will be producing Guidelines in the near future to be adhered to in the Diocese. Deliverance Ministry is a particular concern.

The meeting agreed that the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and the Anointing of the Sick need to be placed at the forefront of Healing Ministry, alongside prayers like the Rosary. In some cases there may well be a medical condition linked to some who seek Healing, and this is an area which a priest should be prepared to seek medical advice upon. Fr Patrick as a chaplain to a Psychiatric Hospital in his early priesthood valued deeply the close collaboration with medical staff in one case. Both parties respected their particular areas of expertise.

Major matters of possession are rare, but a priest needs to be very wary of these, and they should be referred to the Diocesan Exorcist through the Bishop if necessary. Dealing with Satan, or the Devil, is not to be engaged in lightly!