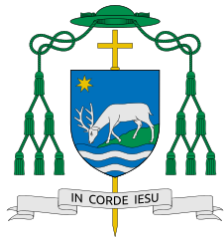


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**St Michael's Parish, Tadley  
& Kingsclere,  
and St Oswald's Church,  
Burghfield Common**

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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) 981 3221.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

The Sacrament is celebrated on most Saturdays in St Michael's Church from 5pm to 5.30pm, but not on Saturday 20th May 2017.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

13/14 May £285.16  
Burghfield Common £59.52  
Holy Places Collection

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
21ST MAY 2017**

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**Tadley & 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 21 May 2017**

12noon	Mon 22 May	<b>Tadley</b>	<i>Easter Season Mass</i>
12noon	Wed 23 May	<b>Tadley</b>	<i>Easter Season Mass</i>
12noon	Fri 26 May	<b>Tadley</b>	<i>St Philip Neri (Priest) - (Memorial)</i>

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**Entrance Antiphon:** Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

**Response to the Psalm:** Cry out with joy to God all the earth.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: "If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and shall come to him". Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you forever, alleluia.

**Next Sunday's Readings: (The Ascension of the Lord—Year A)**  
Acts 1:1-11. Ephesians 1:17-23. Matthew 28:16-20.

**BERNARD FISHER (RIP)**

The Sunday Mass for the repose of Bernard's soul will be celebrated at St Michael's church at 9:15am on Sunday, 28th May (The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, transferred) Fr Patrick will preach at this Mass.

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

Alessandro REPETTI, resident in Mortimer, wishes to marry Emma Ruth HAGAN according to the Rite of the Catholic Church. Any person who has reason to object to this marriage being solemnised for civil or ecclesiastical reasons is obliged to contact Fr Tansey as soon as possible.

**FARE THEE WELL JANE!**

The Rev. Jane Penn will be leaving the community at St Mary's Church in Tadley in August to become Priest in Charge of a church community in Suffolk. On behalf of our St Michael's community, Fr Patrick wishes her well for this new appointment.

**PRAYERS FOR OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES**

Please pray especially for Catherine, Matthew and Tom from our Parish, as they approach their Confirmation along with other young people from our Pastoral Area at our Cathedral in Portsmouth on Saturday 10th June at 11:00am. May they be blessed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

**THANK YOU!**

St Oswald's Lent Lunches: A very big thank you to all who so generously supported our 3 Lent Lunches this year. We have been able to send Fr Owen O'Donnell in Malawi a cheque for £157.00

### NEW HYMN BOOKS!

Fr Patrick has received favourable comments about our new hymn books at Tadley and Burghfield Common. These accord with the recent translation of the Mass into English, and will be of immense help to those in both our communities who provide fitting music for the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy in our Parish.

Burghfield Common and the Choir Group at Tadley have opted for the LAUDATE book, which provides suitable music and hymns for both traditional and modern celebrations.

The Music Group has chosen Celebration Hymnal For Everyone. Our Parish Finance Committee agreed to spend almost £2,000 on these copies, so please ensure that they are treated properly and not left lying about the churches.

A special "thank you" to Anne Reilly for stamping all the books for Tadley on the afternoon before leaving for Uganda recently, and for storing our old books in her garage until Tony Darroch is able to offer them for use in parts of the world where Christians do not have the money to spend on new books!

Before disposal of the old books, parishioners are welcome to have old copies. Please contact Shelley, our Parish Secretary, by the beginning of June if you want one for a good reason.

### LOOKING FORWARD!

**First Communion Day:** This will be celebrated on Sunday 18th June, with Mass at 09:15am in St Michael's church, The Solemnity of Corpus Christi (Transferred). To facilitate a dignified non-rushed Liturgy, Fr Patrick has asked Fr Jim Keenan to celebrate the 11:15am Mass at St Oswald's church. This also enables him to spend time with the First Communion youngsters after the Mass. Parishioners are advised to take advantage of the other weekend Masses offered in the Parish as preference will be given to our First Communion children and their families. Next year the First Communion Mass will be at St Oswald, Burghfield Common following the end of the transition period.

### DATE FOR YOU DIARY!

On Sunday 16th July, there will be a special First Communion Celebration for all our Parish candidates at St Oswald's Church, Burghfield Common, followed by a Parish Picnic for the Parish. More details to come.

### LARGE PRINT NEWSLETTER?

If you require a Large Print Newsletter, this can be sent in future by Email if you or a member of your family contact Mrs. Winsper. Please address this matter before the end of June to enable the Parish Office to assess any possible demand.

### CTAT 48 HOURS OF PRAYER

Throughout the Christian communities in Hampshire, and in some outside the county, we are now approaching the launch of Who Cares? Hampshire. This is an attempt, in Christ Love, to seek out in our communities that which is hurting people most—marriage breakdown, various addictions, loneliness et al—and to try to address these hurts as communities. To do so without prayers will lead to total failure—we are seeking God's response to these hurts, not engaging in a social project!

CTAT, which is fully engaged in this enterprise, is organising 48 hours of prayer at St Paul's Church on The Green, from 12noon 1st June to 12noon 3rd June. Our local churches are asked to be actively involved in taking hourly slots. It would be good to see our Parish Cell Groups, Mother's Prayer, Covenant to the People and others taking slots. A list is available in Tadley for signing over the next two weeks. Do you care?

Each hour requires an owner who will be responsible for security and leaving the space as it was found. Each owner hands the key to the next owner.

Those wishing to take part must decide to do so by Thursday 25th May. Full details on the notice on the Tadley Social Events Board.

### ELECTION QUESTION TIME

CTAT has organised this to enable people in Tadley to question the local candidates for Parliament in the General Election. This will be held at St Paul's Church by the Green on Thursday 25th May at 7:00pm. Our thanks to the Rev. Richard Harlow for his work on this.

### THY KINGDOM COME—PREPARING FOR EVANGELISATION BETWEEN ASCENSION & PENTECOST

This is an initiative of the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, started in 2106, which received remarkable support from other Christian bodies. From after Ascension Day, Thursday 25th May to Pentecost Sunday, we are asked to call upon the Holy Spirit to renew our nation and transform our communities in the Spirit of Christ. Cardinal Nichols has asked all our Catholic communities to engage in this nationwide prayer recognising that: "It has been a long standing tradition in the Catholic Church to pray that those we love, those we meet and all people come to respond to Jesus who is knocking at the door of their hearts" Catholics are encouraged to use the Novena to the Holy Spirit.

### ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Ascension Thursday falls on Thursday 25th May this year, and is celebrated in Rome and by the Church of England in accordance with tradition on the Thursday. Sadly, in England & Wales our Bishops, some years ago, transferred it to the following Sunday (28 May) in the hope that good attendances at the weekend Masses would allow a proper celebration. We live in hope!

### OBLIGATORY COLLECTION

There is an Obligatory Collection at all Masses next weekend for WORLD COMMUNICATIONS. The money collected supports the work of the Communications Office of the Bishops of England & Wales. Prayer cards are available at all our Masses this weekend. Any cheques must be made payable to PRCDTR Tadley St Michael.

### WARNING TO PARENTS!

Please ensure that your children do not walk on the wall of the car park area at St Michael's Church, Tadley. The Parish and Diocese will not accept any responsibility for injuries resulting from neglect of the above warning, and advises those using the car park to note the area indicated by cones as unstable.

### ROSE POTS—TAKE CARE!

Parishioners attending Masses at St Michaels Church will be aware of the three large pots at the end of the car park area near the church. These contain rose plants, and those parking near the wall are asked to take care not to hit them!

They have been put in place, after consultation with Fr Patrick & Paul Samuel, by Clive Warner, whom Fr Patrick has known for many years.

Last year his grandson Oliver was seriously ill with cancer. Clive appreciated greatly the opportunity to visit St Michaels church for prayer during this difficult time, and the help of Mrs Winsper when Fr Patrick was not available to open the building. Our thanks to him for the work he has done in placing these pots free of cost in our grounds, Oliver is recovering well. Please keep him in your prayers.

### WHO CARES? HAMPSHIRE LAUNCH

Fr Patrick will be preaching at all our Parish Masses on Pentecost Sunday (3/4 June) about the importance of Who Cares? Hampshire & our need to be involved with it

### TREACLE FAIR AND WHO CARES? HAMPSHIRE

The fair is held on Sunday 4th June, when volunteers are needed to give out the cards linked to the Ecumenical Mission. If you are willing to be a volunteer, please let Fr Patrick know by Ascension Sunday. Some training is required.