

**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 Gerry Penfold on (0118) 981 1247.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

The Sacrament is celebrated on most Saturdays in St Michael's Church from 5pm to 5.30pm, but not on Saturdays 7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> April.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

24/25 March £382.70

**EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE  
LORD, SECOND, THIRD AND FOURTH  
SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**01<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> APRIL 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 01 April 2018 & Week commencing 08 April 2018**

**NO MASSES TO BE HELD DURING THESE WEEKS**

**Week commencing 15 April 2018**

1:15pm	Mon 16 Apr	<b>Basingstoke Crematorium</b> <i>Funeral Service of Mrs Hunt (RIP)</i>
12noon	Wed 18 Apr	<b>Tadley</b> <i>Easter Mass</i>
12noon	Fri 20 Apr	<b>Tadley</b> <i>Easter Mass</i>

**Week commencing 22 April 2018**

12noon	Mon 23 Apr	<b>Tadley</b> <i>St George, Patron of England (Solemnity)</i>
12noon	Wed 25 Apr	<b>Tadley</b> <i>St Mark, Apostle (Feast)</i>

**EASTER SUNDAY**

**Response to the Psalm:** This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Christ our Passover, has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER—YEAR B**

**Entrance Antiphon:** Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, alleluia.

**Response to the Psalm:** Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'you believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER—YEAR B**

**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.

**Response to the Psalm:** Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER—YEAR B**

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

**Response to the Psalm:** The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

### **CHRISM MASS THANKS!**

Last Tuesday, our Cathedral in Portsmouth was packed to the doors as people took part in the Chrism Mass, in which the Oils for Baptism, the Sick and Confirmation are blessed by the Bishop. In the same Mass, priests and deacons renew their Ordination commitments, and the sanctuary, like the body of the Cathedral, was packed.

The Readings of the Mass, excepting the Gospel, the Procession of the Oils, and the Offertory Procession were entrusted to members of Tadley Parish, which embraces Kingsclere and Burghfield Common as well. Those involved represented these areas of our Parish.

Canon Dominic Golding, the Dean of the Cathedral, has asked Fr Patrick to thank those involved for the excellent way they performed these ministries. He was impressed by their behaviour as part of the Sacred Liturgy. On behalf of our Parish. Fr Patrick adds a sincere "thank you" to them.

### **ST OSWALD THANKS**

Fr Patrick, as many in our Parish know, had a very difficult few days leading up to the Sunday Masses last weekend. It was not easy to address the various issues involved, but he appreciates greatly those people who thanked him for his straight forward approach, including Lin Foley and her son. As he said to the Bishop before the Chrism Mass, we still have some way to go after these sad events, and he hopes that things go forward well after Easter.

Fr Patrick will be continuing to address matters towards the end of April, when all, including himself, will have travelled with Jesus through Death to Resurrection for all people, good or bad. And when all will have had a break and further time for reflection.

### **THANKS TO THE REVERENDS GLYNN LAUTENBACH AND RUTH MIDCALF**

The Co-Chairs of Churches Together in Burghfield, Sulhamstead and Mortimer have been in touch with Fr Patrick, following Deacon John's request that he retire as Acting Secretary of the churches in this Ecumenical Area, following Bishop Philip's Statement.

They have been most courteous in consulting him on the Statement they have issued, in which Deacon John is rightly thanked for the considerable work he has done for Churches Together. He also greatly appreciates their prayerful support of him and the St Oswald community at this time.

There is now a need to find a permanent Secretary, as John was filling the post until one can be found. Is any person in the St Oswald community prepared to help?

### **NO FURTHER HALL BOOKINGS!**

Deacon John has done a lot to ensure that the Hall at Burghfield Common has run smoothly since the death of Jennifer Smith, whose first anniversary Fr Patrick remembered in prayer last Thursday. Now, in line with the Bishop's request, he has stood down from this role, which was meant to be a temporary one until another person was found to replace Jennifer. Until the community is able to provide a competent person, there will be NO future bookings accepted for the Hall, and the present ones may have to be considered anew if no person is prepared to liaise with Fr Patrick and our Secretary on a permanent basis.

It is to be clearly stressed that any religious events take precedence over Hall Bookings, and people should not assume that they can use the Hall without Fr Patrick's permission. There are important Diocesan and Insurance guidelines to be followed.

### **VOCATIONS SUNDAY**

This takes place on the weekend of 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> April, and Fr Patrick will preach at all Masses.

### **FLOWER COLLECTION AT BURGHFIELD COMMON**

Fr Patrick expresses his thanks to the community for the Voluntary Collection taken last Sunday because of the bad weather. £45.00 was collected, following the suggestion at the end of Mass by Denise Dobbie, that a basket be available as people left.

### **OBLIGATORY COLLECTION**

There is a Collection for the Clergy Training Fund on the weekend of 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> April at all Masses.

### **PATIO GARDEN TIDY UP**

We need a working party to clear and tidy the surrounding ground of the back patio garden and to do shrub pruning before work begins on relaying and repairs to the patio area. Subject to the weather the planned date is Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> April from 12noon. Please bring rakes, garden brooms, hoes, forks, loppers, and secateurs if you can, and let Helen know if you can help (0118 981 2107). Thank you.

### **GIFT GIVING ENVELOPES**

The Gift giving envelopes for the new tax year are now available in the porch for your collection and we would ask existing givers to collect their boxes and sign the sheet to confirm that they have taken them.

This is an important part of our commitment to the Church and if you would like to part-take in the gift giving scheme we would encourage you to sign your name on the list in the porch and take a numbered envelope box (adding the number on your box alongside your name).

If you have any questions regarding the scheme you can contact Eamonn McArdle (0118) 970 1438 who administers the scheme on behalf of our Parish.

### **ROSARY ON THE COAST**

Martin of our Burghfield Common community is interested in organising a coach for the Portsmouth part of this event. It would be good if parishioners at St Oswald's Church spoke to him about this, to organise a group to attend if people are interested. Then people at Tadley can be given a chance to engage if there are places available. There are sign up sheets available now in both our churches.

The Rosary on the Coast is scheduled for 3pm on Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>. It follows similar events that drew many thousands of people in Poland and Ireland.

Organisers say the day is aimed at a "re-flourishing of the faith, for the grace to build a culture of life and true peace to reign in the hearts of all peoples and nations".

### **OFFICE CLOSURE AND EASTER BREAKS!**

Please note that the Parish Office will close on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 12noon until 9:30am Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April. Emails will not be responded to during this time.

The Office is also closed on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April because both Fr Patrick and Mrs Winsper will be attending the Training day on GDPR (General Data Protection Regulations) which comes into force for ALL EU citizens on May 25<sup>th</sup> 2018.

Fr Patrick will be taking an Easter break from the afternoon of Easter Sunday until the weekend of 14/15<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

### **EASTER BANNERS**

Our thanks to Reverend Richard Harlow for arranging two colourful Banners for Churches Together Around Tadley as we enter into the Celebration of the Resurrection. These are intended to be displayed publicly outside our churches proclaiming the Resurrection and inviting people to attend Services at this time.

**TO ALL: HAPPY RESURRECTION UNTIL PENTECOST!**