

**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 7th & 14th April.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

17/18 March £143.57

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Flower Collection £145.77

**TADLEY ONLY AS NO MASSES WERE
HELD IN BURGHFIELD COMMON.**



**PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF
THE LORD
25th MARCH 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 25 March 2018

10:15am	Mon 26 Mar	Burghfield Common <i>Funeral Service for Anna Maria (RIP)</i>
11:00am	Tue 27 Mar	Portsmouth Cathedral <i>Chrism Mass with Parish Representation</i>

EASTER TRIDUUM

8:00pm	Thu 29 Mar	Tadley <i>Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Watching before the Blessed Sacrament until 11:00pm</i>
3:00pm	Fri 30 Mar	Tadley <i>Celebration of the Lord's Passion</i>
8:30pm	Sat 31 Mar	Tadley <i>The Easter Vigil with the First Mass of Easter</i>

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

9:15am	Sun 1 Apr	Tadley
11:15am	Sun 1 Apr	Burghfield Common

NO EVENING MASSES IN THE PARISH

PALM SUNDAY—YEAR B READINGS

Entrance Antiphon: Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy! O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! Who is this king of glory? He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory: Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory.

Response to the Psalm: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Communion Antiphon: Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

GOOD FRIDAY

Good Friday is a Day of Fasting and Abstinence in memory of the Death of the Lord, but it is not a Holyday of Obligation. The collection taken at the Service on Good Friday is an Obligatory Collection for the upkeep of the Holy Places.

EASTER SUNDAY

The Collections at the Vigil and the morning Masses are traditionally for the upkeep of your Parish Priest. Fr Patrick expresses in advance his thanks for your Offerings and wishes all parishioners and visitors a truly holy celebration of The Resurrection. Deacons Anthony and John add their Best Wishes.

THE SACRED TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil are the holiest days in the calendar of the Church, and should be celebrated as one event, preferably attended by all parishioners in the main church of the Parish. The Vigil is the most important Mass of Easter, and this year Carole Ellery will be Baptised and Confirmed at it and receive the Eucharist. Following the Vigil, there will be a Reception in the Parish Room to welcome our new Catholic Christian.

GOOD FRIDAY IN TADLEY AND KINGSCLERE

- **Tadley:** The Good Friday Walk of Witness organised by CTAT leaves St Paul's Church on the Green at 9:30am on Friday 30th March. It will make its way to St Mary's Church, up from St Michael's. The Reverend Richard Harlow is organising a children's event in St Mary's Church Hall, and the Reverend Ruth Midcalf will lead the Service at St Mary's Church, at which Pastor Greg will speak. Our thanks to Pastor Greg for undertaking the necessary Risk Assessment for the route of the walk.
Full details of the Walk and Messy Church are to be found on the Posters in St Michael's Church
- **Kingsclere:** Fr Patrick will be attending the Walk in Kingsclere, at the invitation of the Reverend Ben Read, the local Anglican minister. This starts at 10:00am, from The Village Club in George Street, and ends with a Service at St Mary's Church, Kingsclere.
- **Churches Together in Burghfield, Sulhamstead & Mortimer:** There is a Walk of Witness in Mortimer at 11:00am following a 9:30am Service at Mortimer Methodist Church.

GOOD FRIDAY AT ST OSWALD'S CHURCH

This Service will now not take place. Fr Patrick looks forward to parishioners from St Oswald's Church joining those from Tadley and Kingsclere at the 3:00pm Service in St Michael's Church as part of one Parish Community.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY ON GOOD FRIDAY

This takes place during the Liturgy of the Word at Tadley, after which the children re-join the main body for the rest of the Service. Parents and children should be in the church for the beginning of the Good Friday Liturgy, after which the children will be asked to leave for their Liturgy in the Parish Room, if their parents wish them to do so. Our thanks to Pauline and Anne for organising this.

CHURCH CLEANING FOR EASTER AT TADLEY

This is to take place from 10:30am—12:30pm on Thursday 29th March in St Michael's Church. Those willing to help are asked to contact Helen Warner (0118) 981 2107 as soon as possible.

RED MISSIO BOXES—BURGHFIELD COMMON

St Oswald's church, Burghfield Common collected £503.89 from the Red Mission boxes last year so well done everyone. This year, we will be taking the boxes in twice, during March and October. This is in line with other churches in the Diocese. If anyone needs their box collected, or wants to bring it in at another time, please contact Sarah Hunneman, her mobile number is on all the Burghfield boxes. Many thanks. Keep up the good work.

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.
A Mass Rosary Prayer event is being planned in April along the coastline of Britain.
The Rosary on the Coast is scheduled for 3pm on Sunday, April 29th. It follows similar events that drew many thousands of people in Po-

land 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".

A SNOWY WEEKEND!

Fr Patrick apologises for no Mass at St Oswald's Church, Burghfield Common last weekend. At the end of the 6:00pm Vigil Mass on Saturday in Tadley, snow was beginning to settle and continued to fall into Sunday morning.

Early on Sunday morning Fr Patrick contacted Fr Jim Keenan and Dcn John to assess the situation in Burghfield Common. Fr Jim said that he would be unable to guarantee reaching St Oswald's Church for Mass and Dcn John confirmed that the situation did not look good. Fr Patrick asked that Dcn John Email as many people as possible to say that the Mass was to be cancelled and made telephone calls to parishioners to alert them. Unfortunately the message did not reach all parishioners, but people who arrived at St Oswald's church were informed that their would be no Mass. Many thanks to all involved and congratulations to those who tried to attend.

The special Service for those who had died recently to be held at Tadley Common Methodist Church at 3:00pm on that Sunday afternoon was also cancelled because of the conditions. This is to be held after Easter and full details will be made available.

About 30 parishioners managed to attend the 09:15am Mass on Sunday at Tadley, including some of our musicians. This enabled the Final Scrutiny for Carole Ellery to be celebrated worthily. Fr Patrick was extremely grateful for the work done by Gerry Penfold, Denis Healy, and Tony Darroch and others to clear snow and ensure that there was a coffee morning after Mass. Also to Jenny Seaborn for having a Children's Liturgy prepared—although no children were able to get through!

On Monday morning Helen Warner, Sue Tull and Trish Hayden did a magnificent job in preparing the front of the church for the Pat Hughes Funeral Service. A real community effort!

CHRISM MASS AT PORTSMOUTH CATHEDRAL THIS WEEK

Thank you to those from our Parish who are attending the Chrism Mass on Tuesday to assist with the Liturgy at the request of Canon Dominic Golding, the Cathedral Dean. He asked Fr Patrick some time ago if the Parish would provide Readers for the Mass and people for the Offertory Procession and others to carry the Oils to be blessed by the Bishop at this important Mass of Holy Week.

This involves them being in the Cathedral by 9:30am at the latest to enable them to practice their ministries so that the 11:00am Mass will be celebrated with the necessary dignity. Liturgy demands good practice! Fr Patrick is also grateful to those who are offering lifts for those not driving. Please keep us in your prayers for a joyful day as priests and deacons renew their commitment to the ordained ministry with Bishop Philip.

CAFOD LENT LUNCHES

Many thanks to those who supported the two Lent Lunches in St Michael's Parish Room recently. Over £200.00 was raised through Donations and this will be doubled by the UK government. A letter of thanks will be posted in St Michael's Church when CAFOD acknowledges receipt of the amount.

OFFICE CLOSURE AND EASTER BREAKS!

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

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

NEW TAX YEAR GIVING ENVELOPES

These will be available for the New Tax year, which begins on Friday 6th April. **Please ensure that you collect your envelopes as soon as possible. Thank you for your support of our Parish Area.**