

A blank duty rota is available at the back of St Mary's showing the services over the coming quarter. Please do sign up on the paper copy, or [log in](#) to the members area of the website and click the button to volunteer against the date you require. I will try to keep the two copies matching! I will take the paper rota down on 22nd October, and will then fill in any gaps before sending out a final copy. Thanks. Emma

For your prayers:

- Freda Savin; Alan Hambidge, Penny Hartley; Jack Connors and Ralph Cook
- The family and friends of Joseph Jack Butler, Ivy Pullen, Ralph Dellor and Charlie Landi as they grieve for the loss of their loved ones.
- Bryony as she prepares to be licenced as a LLM for our benefice next week
- Ally Magill and Charlie Vey who were married in St Paul's yesterday (Saturday 7th)

This Week:

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| Mon 9 | Bible Book Club (*Km) | 7.30pm |
| Wed 11 | Toast for Tots (*Km) | 9.30am |
| Thur 12 | Morning Prayer (*K) | 9am |
| | Bible Study (*Km) | 1.30pm |
| Fri 13 | Morning Prayer (*H) | 9am |
| | Prayer Group (*K) | 9.30am |
| Sun 15 | Holy Communion (*H) | 8am |
| | Breakfast (*Km) | 8.45am |
| | All Age / Messy Worship (*K) | 9.15am |
| | Holy Communion (*K) | 11am |

K= St Mary's Kingsclere; H = St Peter's Headley

AH = St Paul's, Ashford Hill; Km = Kingsmill Rm;

RHC = Rose Hodson Court; KPS = Kingsclere Primary School

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The Parishes of Kingsclere and Ashford Hill with Headley

Sunday 8th October 2017

Trinity 17

A warm welcome to all worshipping with us today.

Please take this sheet home for your prayers and information.

Today's Services

8am Holy Communion (Kingsclere)

9.15am Morning Worship with Junior Church (Kingsclere)

10.30am Harvest Communion (Headley)

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading - Exodus 3.1-6

Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the desert and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. So Moses thought, "I will go over and see this strange sight – why the bush does not burn up."

When the LORD saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!"

And Moses said, "Here I am."

"Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground." Then he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God.

Second Reading - 1 John 1.1-4

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched – this we proclaim concerning the Word of life. The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ. We write this to make our joy complete.

Gospel (at 8am only) - Matthew 21.33-46

Jesus told a parable: "There was a landowner who planted a vineyard. He put a wall around it, dug a winepress in it and built a watchtower. Then he rented the vineyard to some farmers and went away on a journey. When the harvest time approached, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his fruit.

"The tenants seized his servants; they beat one, killed another, and stoned a third. Then he sent other servants to them, more than the first time, and the tenants treated them in the same way. Last of all, he sent his son to them. 'They will respect my son,' he said.

"But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, 'This is the heir. Come, let's kill him and take his inheritance.' So they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him.

"Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?"

"He will bring those wretches to a wretched end," they replied, "and he will rent the vineyard to other tenants, who will give him his share of the crop at harvest time."

Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures:

"'The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvellous in our eyes?'

"Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit. He who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces, but he on whom it falls will be crushed."

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard Jesus' parables, they knew he was talking about them. They looked for a way to arrest him, but they were afraid of the crowd because the people held that he was a prophet.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Notices

We are very much looking forward to Bryony being Licensed as an LLM at the service in Winchester Cathedral at 11am next Saturday (14th October). A coach has now been booked, and all those who had indicated they would like to attend have been contacted. If you would like to reserve a place on the coach and have not already done so please contact Emma Rivers. Thanks to a very generous anonymous donation towards the cost of the coach, the price per person will be around £6.

All are welcome to the first in the series of "Bible Book Club which takes place tomorrow (9th October) at 7.30pm in the Kingsmill Room. Each session is meant as a stand-alone evening meaning you don't have to commit to a whole series. Just read the book, and then turn up and discuss it. The first evening will look at the book of Jonah.

Zozulenka, the Ukrainian music group will be visiting St Mary's again this year for another fantastic concert on 23rd October at **7pm**. Please do put the date in your diaries - if you came along last year you know it is not to be missed!

We have a block booking of tickets for "Beauty and the Beast" - this year's Pantomime at the Corn Exchange, Newbury on 2nd December at 2pm. Tickets are £15 per person. All are welcome to come along, including family and friends. Please book your tickets with Emma Rivers by the end of October to secure the special price (usual cost is £24).

At their meeting last week, Kingsclere PCC:

- Had a report from the working party looking at the possibility of employing a youth and families worker
- Discussed the next steps regarding the feedback responses on the new services
- Discussed the way forward for the Who Cares project over the coming months
- Approved the renewal of Steve Green's LLM licence
- Formally thanked those responsible for organising the fete for their work in raising £6200.
- Approved the installation of underfloor heating when the Kingsmill Room floor is replaced

Cedar Tree Counselling is a Christian organisation based in Basingstoke, seeking to provide a professional counselling service showing God's love and care for the community. They are looking for volunteer receptionists for just 2-3 hours a week. If you are interested in helping please see the information sheets on each church noticeboard.

We have been working on updating our email system as many of you have had problems sending or receiving emails from the clerewoodlands address. There are now new email addresses which are as follows for Ben:

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There is no need to send to more than one address, as all get delivered to the same inbox. The old clerewoodlands email addresses will still work for a while, but are temperamental so please avoid using them if possible. We hope to phase them out by the end of the year. You will notice that you are able to use the new addresses to access the website too (for instance www.stpetersheadley.co.uk). If you have any queries on the new email addresses please speak to Emma.