

## Worship this Month in our churches:

Date:	Services at St Paul's, Tadley
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>	9am Holy Communion (Steve) 10am Church on the Green Harvest Worship (Steve)
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup>	10am Messy Church (Steve and the Messy Church Team)
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup>	10am Morning Worship (Rob)
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup>	10am Church on the Green All Age Communion (Steve)

Date:	Services at St Luke's, Pamber Heath
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10am Midweek Holy Communion (Cathy)
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup>	10am Morning Prayer (Myles)
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup>	10am Midweek Holy Communion (Cathy)
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup>	11am Holy Communion (Cathy and Linda)
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup>	10am Midweek Holy Communion (Cathy and Linda)

Date:	Services at St. Marys, Tadley
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10am Midweek Holy Communion (Steve and Paddy)
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am Morning Worship with Baptism (Chris)
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup>	10am Midweek Holy Communion (Chris and Charles)
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am Battle of Britain Service (Chris, Charles and RAF Chaplain)
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup>	10am Midweek Holy Communion (Steve and Charles)
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup>	9am RISE (Chris and the RISE Team) 10.30am Holy Communion (Chris)
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup>	10am Midweek Holy Communion (Chris)
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am Holy Communion (Karen and Charles)

Date:	Services at St Mary the Virgin, Silchester
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>	8am BCP Holy Communion (Karen) 10.30am New Beginnings (Karen)
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup>	10am Holy Communion (Chris) 6pm Stillness on Sunday (Eve)
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup>	10am Morning Worship (Steve)
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup>	10am Holy Communion (Cathy) 6pm Prayer in the Evening (Eve)

Date:	Services St Peter's, Tadley
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup>	5pm Holy Communion (Chris)

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## September Newsletter

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The schools are going back and for many it feels as if the summer is over. Change is never easy, but just like the seasons, months like these remind us that we live by a comforting rhythm. Ecclesiastes 3 reminds us that 'To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven'. Whatever season you find yourself in right now, you will find a warm welcome, friendship, and support in any of our churches.

We have several big events this month including: Silchester Fete on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September. This event seems to grow in popularity each year. Do come along and see for yourself.

This month the whole community also joins together for a special service of commemoration of the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the end of WWII. This will be run jointly by the Royal British Legion and our churches, and takes place on The Green in Tadley. All local uniformed and voluntary organisations will be represented, and everyone is welcome to come and remember 80 years since the end of World War II.

We also hold our annual **Battle of Britain Commemoration Service**, remembering that the site of St Mary's played a pivotal part in the war effort, particularly those battles fought in the sky.

We also begin the first of our Harvest Festivals at St Paul's as well as Messy Church which has grown to around 150 regulars.

We have so much to remember and be thankful for this month. Do take some time to come and join us.

**Contacting Steve** - Steve's telephone number is now 0118 981 6252. Please update this in your contacts, as you will no longer be able to reach Steve on the old number. This change will make contact easier as Virge also has access to this number, and when Steve is away from the benefice, the number will divert to another member of the clergy team.

## Events in September...

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> at 5pm – Tadley North PCC meets at St Mary's, Tadley.**

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> at 9.30am – Benefice Worship Review.** As we reach the end of the summer and move towards our next worship rota, we invite everyone to come along to St Paul's from 9.30am as we discuss the shape of our worship patterns. On our current rota we introduced services at St Peter's and St Luke's as well as an extra evening service at Silchester. We are keen to discover if these have worked for you and how we move forwards into the winter months. We will also be considering what extra provision is put into place to meet the Church of England's 2030 target of doubling the number of children in our churches.

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> at 12pm – our Clergy team will meet.**

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm – Youth Group meets at St Paul's Hall** for chats, games, pizza, and fun! This is open to anyone in school years 5 and above.

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> from midday – Silchester Fete on The Green, Silchester.** Come and support this fabulous village event which is back again this year.

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> – First Sunday Services take place across the benefice.**

- **10am – celebrating Harvest Festival at St Paul's.** Do bring gifts of food and toiletries which will be given to the Foodbank. You can also make cash donations to the Foodbank at this service.
- **10.30am – New Beginnings.** An extra special family service, jointly hosted by St Mary the Virgin and Silchester Methodist Chapel. Join us in the marquee on the Playing Field as we mark the beginning of a new school year.
- **10.30am – Baptism at St Mary's Tadley.** We welcome Hallie Dean, her friends and family, as she is baptised into the universal church.

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> at 3pm – Commemoration of the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of WWII on The Green, Tadley, RG26 3PB.** The whole community joins together for this special service of commemoration, run by the Royal British Legion and hosted by St Paul's. Local uniformed and voluntary organisations will be represented, and everyone is welcome to come and remember.

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm – Tadley North Worship Planning meeting at St Mary's Church.**

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> at 10am – Messy Church.** As usual there will be lots of crafts, lots of food, and lots of fun! If you've not been to Messy Church before, why not come along and see why around 150 people join us each month? It's not like church as you may know it. Arrive and leave when you are ready, take part in as much or as little as you want. Most of all have fun together as a family.

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> at 10.30am – Battle of Britain Commemoration Service at St Mary's, Tadley.** Tadley and the site of St. Mary's played a pivotal part in the war effort, particularly those battles fought in the sky. You are very welcome to join us for this annual service to remember.

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> at 5pm – Holy Communion in St Peter's.** Come and soak up the atmosphere and worship in our ancient church.

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> at 6pm – Stillness on Sunday takes place at St Mary the Virgin Silchester.** Come and find some peace as we dwell in God's word every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month.

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> from 10.30am to midday – St Paul's Monthly Get-together.** Come and find food and friendship as we share real coffee, cake, and chats each month in St Paul's. Everyone is welcome.

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm – Messy Church team meet at The Rectory** to plan October's Messy Church.

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>/Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> – St Paul's and St Peter's Quinquennial inspections.** Please avoid both buildings on these days.

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> at 8am – St Mary's Breakfast.** Join together for this popular and growing event for breakfast. Why not pop in on your way to work or school? This month's breakfast is raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support.

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> at 9am – RISE is back at St Mary's after the school holidays.** Come for breakfast, lots of Lego, and lots of fun.

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> at 7.15pm – Tadley with Pamber Heath PCC meeting at St Luke's.**

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> at 1.30pm – Prayer Group, Let's Pray!** meeting every fourth Thursday of the month at St Mary's, Tadley.

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm – CTAT Forum meeting at St. Luke's Church.** Refreshments will be available from 7pm.

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> at midday – Pub Lunch at The Pelican Pamber Heath.**

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> at 6pm – Prayer in the Evening at St Mary the Virgin.**

**Vacancy for Foundation Governor – Silchester Church of England School.** Being a Foundation Governor is identical to the role of other governors, but it comes with responsibility to preserve and develop the religious character of this special local school. Please contact Revd Karen at [revkarenw24@gmail.com](mailto:revkarenw24@gmail.com) if you would like to know more.

**Vocations focus of the month!** Each month we are focussing on a vocation in our churches. This month we pray for those who are **welcome people**. As well as Sidespeople we have a growing number who welcome us as we come into church. Research shows people make up their mind about a church in the first 10 minutes. Welcomers are often the first people you meet when you come into church and carry a great burden of responsibility in welcoming both regulars and those who step into church for the first time. We give thanks to all those who welcome us, for their ministry, and we ask the holy spirit to equip them. If you would like to find out more about welcoming people to church, please speak with Steve or any of the clergy.