



Welcome to our monthly newsletter, which we hope will keep you informed of what's happening in our parish life, the community and also more widely.

Sunday 2nd August	10am Parish Communion Service & via Zoom
Mon 3rd August	9am Morning Prayer 1.30pm Memorial Service in Church - RIP Tim Cooper
3 rd - 7 th August	Parish Centre Closed for Annual Maintenance
Sat 8 th August	12-3pm Summer Braai at The Rectory
Sunday 9 th August	9am Breakfast@Church 10am Parish Communion & via Zoom 12 noon Baptism in Church 6pm Sunday@6 Service
Mon 10 th August	No Morning Prayer
Wed 12 th August	9.30am Ecumenical Service at Burghfield Methodist Church, moved from 26 th August
Sunday 16 th August	2pm Funeral Service in Church & Burial - RIP Jill Mole 9am Said Communion Service & via Zoom 10am Sunday@10, All Age Service (No Zoom)
Mon 17 th August	No Morning Prayer
17th - 21st August - Burghfield Lighthouse Holiday Club held at The Willink School	
Sunday 23 rd August	10am Parish Communion Service & via Zoom
24th - 30th August Revd Glynn on Annual Leave	
Mon 24 th August	No Morning Prayer
Thurs 27 th August	11.30am Wedding Vows Renewal in Church
Fri 28 th August	2-5pm Whist Drive in The Parish Centre
Sunday 30 th August	10am Morning Worship Service & via Zoom
Mon 31 st August	Bank Holiday - No Morning Prayer
Thurs 3 rd September	Schools Back

Connor's Ordination

Congratulations to the newly ordained Rev Connor Heath! Connor has been such a blessing to us at [St Mary's Church Burghfield](#) over the past three years. We thank God for all that you are, and ask for every blessing on you as you begin this next phase of ministry.

Here are a few photos from the day, service was held at Christchurch Cathdral in Oxford.



Crafty Church



Our theme was “Jesus calms the storm” and we all had lots of messy fun



Youth Club

At our last Youth Club before the summer holidays, we had a great time playing games outdoors & creating some unique Ice Creams!





July's Sunday@10
Service which had
the Theme
"Love One Another"



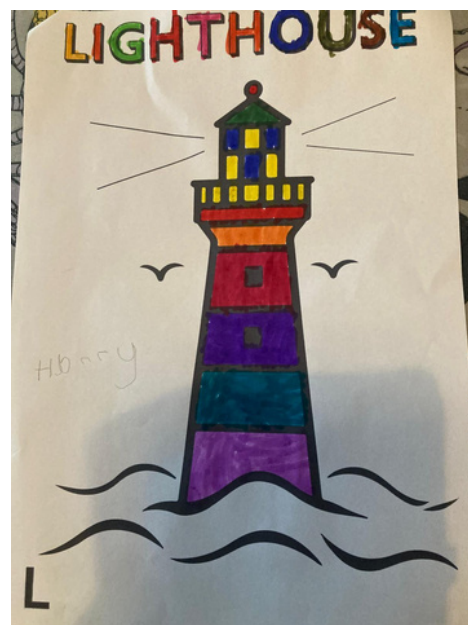
PRAYER CARD

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- THE TRUSTEES
- MAIN STAGE TEAM
 - DRAMA TEAM
 - SPORTS TEAM
 - CRAFT TEAM
- AGE GROUP LEADERS AND TEAMS
 - LAMPLIGHTERS
- ATTENDEES AND THEIR PARENTS
 - QUIET ROOM
- VENUE- THE WILLINK
 - GOOD WEATHER
- A FANTASTIC, FAITH FILLED, WEEK TOGETHER

Registration is open
for you to register
your children for the
holiday club
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SUMMER BRAAI FUNDRAISER

WITH A SOUTH AFRICAN FLAVOUR

SATURDAY 8TH AUGUST, 12-3PM,

Join us at The Rectory, Hollybush Lane, Burghfield Common, RG7 3JL
for an afternoon of Scrumptious South African Food including Boerwors, Burgers,
Sausages, Rolls & Sweet Treats to buy.



BOERWORS



KOEKSISTER



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FUN · GAMES · ACTIVITIES · SNACKS

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Youth Club

6:30-8:00

Remaining 2026 Dates

All Friday Nights:

No club in August

18th September

16th October

20th November

No club in December

YEARS 6, 7 & 8

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Come and join us for our

Whist Drive

2-5pm

Friday 28th August
Thursday 24th September (in Church)

Friday 30th October

Thursday 26th November (in Church)

Enjoy a friendly game of cards and tasty refreshments.

If you would like to learn how to play,
please contact Anne.



Held at The Parish Centre, St Mary's Church,
Church Lane, Burghfield, RG30 3TG

All donations in aid of much needed church funds

Book your place via Anne Pocock on 07713 911748

or bannepocock@aol.com

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Join us for our new informal
Sunday @ 10 Service

3rd Sunday of each month

Let's celebrate the gift of family
and grow together in Christ!

**This is our new interactive
service which will include**

- Singing
- Prayer
- Teaching

All Ages Welcome

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Parish Centre Hire

Do you need a venue for a Party, Work Meeting, Exercise Class or Celebration? Then we have just the place for it. We have a fully equipped kitchen, 2 amazing rooms and lots of FREE parking.



Contact our Parish Administrator to have a look around and for more information on booking,

07979 871608 or stmarysburghfield@outlook.com

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Bumps, Babies & Toddler Group

Monday's

9.30-11am

(term time only)

Term starts on
Monday 7th
September 2026

To find out more take a look at our Facebook page, Website or notice boards in Church.

St Mary's Church,

Church Lane, Burghfield, RG30 3TG

Tel : 07979 871608, www.stmarysburghfield.org



A Service every second Sunday of the month.
An informal service for all ages including worship, teaching, prayer and of course refreshments.

We look forward to seeing you!

Our next service is
on Sunday 9th August 2026 at 6pm

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ECO FESTIVAL

Promoting Care for our Planet

SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2026

11-4PM



**Talks, Stalls, Displays,
Children's Activities &
Refreshments
throughout the day.**

Go to our [website](#), Facebook page - St Mary's Burghfield to find out more as it gets planned throughout the year.

Contact Details

Rector -Rev'd Glynn Lautenbach

07979 151598 or Email: rector@stmarysburghfield.org

Parish Administrator Tuesday –Friday 08:45 –12:45 Office location & Homebased

If you need a face to face meeting please email or call on the below to arrange a date and time

Office Mobile– 07979 871608 Email:

admin@stmarysburghfield.org

To Contact the Churchwardens:

Michael Wood– Email: mike.wood@stmarysburghfield.org

Alison Eves–Email: alison.eves@stmarysburghfield.org

Website: www.stmarysburghfield.org

Find us on Facebook too! Photos and news of upcoming and recent events on our

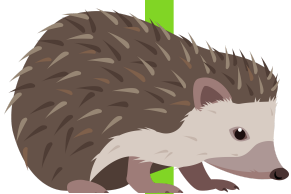
page "St Mary's Church Burghfield".

Address: Church Lane, Burghfield Village, Reading, Berks, RG30 3TG

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August's Eco Tips



Looking after wildlife in the heat. Times of drought and dryness can be dangerous for wildlife. Provide water for birds and insects

- put a dish of water out to help wildlife stay hydrated. Insects, small mammals, birds, and even badgers, foxes, and deer could benefit. A stone in a plant saucer

helps bees to perch and drink without drowning. These small actions make a big difference and are just some of the ways we can live out our calling to care for God's creation. See our blog on looking after wildlife in the heat for more warm weather eco tips: arochoa.org.uk/looking-afterwildlife-in-the-heat/.



ECO CHURCH
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**Silver Eco Church
Award Certificate**

This is to certify that

St Marys Church Burghfield

has won a Silver Eco Church Award in recognition of their efforts to care for God's earth in each of the following areas (as applicable):

Worship and Teaching
Management of Buildings and Land
Community and Global Engagement
Lifestyle

Signed *Andy Atkins* Date **26 January 2025**
CEO, A Rocha UK



ecochurch.arocha.org.uk
arochoa.org.uk



Emmaus

What's Emmaus about?

It's a group of friends who meet twice a month on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday mornings of the month (10-11.30am) to enjoy reading & talking about the Bible

together, drinking coffee, munching biscuits & generally have a good chat. You don't need to be a Bible scholar because we all learn together & help each other along the road.

We usually meet at Margaret's house in Loves Close.

Just ask Margaret, Susan Potter or Lesley Brigden about it.

We'd love you to join in

St Mary's Church Fundraising

2026 Dates for your diaries

8th August Summer Braai @ The Rectory

September: Games Night

27th September: Harvest Lunch

9th October: Autumn Craft Evening

13th November 7pm: Pudding Club and Silent Auction

5th December 12-4pm: Christmas Craft Market

5th December 7pm: Christmas Evening around the Christmas Trees

If you would like to get involved and join the fundraising team please contact Anne Pocock on the details below.
bannepocock@aol.com or 07713 911748

Fundraising
Total

£27,679.65

The cost to run
our Church in
2025
was £8643
per month
which is
£284
per day !!



A totally FREE way to raise funds for our Church.

Sign up and every time you spend money online through a participating store they donate to us, it's so easy and costs you nothing so please sign up today.

Click this link (you might need to copy & paste it) to sign up or refer friends & family to the scheme,

then search **St Mary's Burghfield**

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?>

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