

st Mary's Church Burghfield

Welcoming all, growing faith, serving others



Welcome 16th August 2026

You are very welcome at our worship. We hope you experience God this morning.
If you are new or visiting we would love to meet you.

	Toilets & Baby Changing facilities are situated in the Parish Centre next to the church
	Please join us for Fairtrade tea or coffee after the service in the Parish Centre
	If you would like private prayer, please go to the chancel during communion or speak to a member of clergy after the service
	If you would like to receive a gluten free wafer, please speak to the person who greeted you at the door or a churchwarden

Sunday 16th August 2026

9am Said Communion Service & via Zoom

SERMON SERIES 3

HOPEWALKERS Luke 15.1-7

10am Sunday@10 Service – “The Lost Sheep”

Luke 15.1-7

Click [Here](#) to access Zoom for 9am service. Meeting ID: 851 5308 5763 & Password: 356810 recurring link for Sunday services, for those who would like to join us virtually.

Prayer for the day

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Dates for your diary

22nd July – 3rd Sept – School Summer Holidays

Sunday 16th Aug 9am Said Communion & via Zoom

10am Sunday@10 Service (no Zoom)

Mon 17th – Fri 21st August – Lighthouse Burghfield Summer Holiday Club @ The Willink Sch

Mon 17th Aug No Morning Prayer

Sunday 23rd Aug 10am Parish Communion Service & via Zoom

Mon 24th – 30th August – Revd Glynn on Annual Leave

Mon 24th Aug No Morning Prayer

Fri 28th Aug Fencing around carpark is being replaced – please use rear car park if
visiting Church

2-5pm Whist Drive in The Parish Centre

Sunday 30th Aug 10am Morning Worship Service & via Zoom

Mon 31st Aug Bank Holiday - No Morning Prayer

Tues 1st Sept 9am Bumps, Babies & Toddler Toy sorting & Cleaning session in the
Parish Centre

Thurs 3rd Sept School Term starts

Sunday 6th Sept 10am Parish Communion Service & via Zoom

6pm Taize Service in Church

Mon 7th Sept 8am Morning Prayer in Church

9.30 – 11am Bumps, Babies & Toddler Group in Church

We at St Mary's now offer an online donation page! If you would like to donate, please click on the link:

[https://givealittle.co/campaigns/77b371b3-68f6-4729-a808-](https://givealittle.co/campaigns/77b371b3-68f6-4729-a808-8fd58d9c589f)

[8fd58d9c589f](https://givealittle.co/campaigns/77b371b3-68f6-4729-a808-8fd58d9c589f) Donations to St Mary's Church can also be made via the QR code. Thank you for supporting our ministry and mission



16th August 2026 - Please Pray For



Theale Road, Hose Hill, Bennett's Hill, School Road, The Rowans Community.

All involved in pastoral care, Café B and the Befrienders, The Food Bank.

All working in local businesses; self-employed and unemployed.

Notices

Lighthouse Holiday Club, 17th – 21st August 2026



Lighthouse Burghfield - nearly here!

Thank you for your support and continuing prayers for our brand new Christian Holiday Club, run with other local Christians and Churches, taking place at the Willink School, August 17th-21st. God's hand has been on the project, and we have been richly blessed. Thank you to everyone who has been able to respond to the call, and who has volunteered, I think we are going to have a fabulous week.

One of the most obvious blessings has been the grant awarded by the Development Fund of the Diocese: they have given us £9000 over 3 years to ensure that Lighthouse Burghfield is firmly established. So our faith in underwriting the venture with some of our church funds, and boldly stepping out, has been richly rewarded. God is good!

We will be reporting back, with lots of photos and stories. If you weren't able to join in the fun this time, mark 16th-20th August 2027 in your diaries now; we would love to have your talents too!

Any questions/suggestion please let me know, Alison

Church Sunday Flowers

Thoughts Please – We are looking into whether anyone would be interested in donating towards Sunday flowers at times throughout the year maybe in Memory of a loved one or to celebrate a Birthday, Anniversary or Special Occasion?

If you would like to discuss this further please contact Glynn or Anne Pocock to find out more.



Wheelchair – We have in Church 2 Wheelchairs, we are keeping one to use

 as and when required but the other is up for donation if anyone can make use of it. Please contact us if you are interested and we can arrange for you to collect it. If no one is interested we will donate it to the Burghfield Neighbourhood Mobility Scheme.

Recycling

We have been notified that as of the end of August we are no longer able to collect Milk Bottle Tops for The Air Ambulance. So moving forward we suggest using the West Berkshire kerbside recycling scheme. Thank you to everyone that has donated to this cause up till now.



Fundraising

Summer Braai Fundraiser –

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of the SA Braai 🍖 🍷 🍔 and particularly to Glynn and Wayne for their hard work and for hosting it in their garden.

Everyone had a wonderful time in the sunshine and we raised a fabulous amount for Church Funds £TBC.

Photos to follow in next month's Newsletter...



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/?char=49900&invite=lvzji&referral-campaign=s2s&utm_campaign=web-referral



Contact Information

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Parish Administrator, Tuesday - Friday, 8.45am - 12.45pm

Office & Homebased.

If you need a face-to-face meeting please email or call to arrange a date & time.

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Find us on Facebook too! Photos and news of upcoming and recent events on our page "St Mary's Church Burghfield"

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