St Mary's Church Burghfield

Welcoming all, growing faith, serving others

Welcome
22nd November 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 22nd November 2026

10am Parish Communion and via Zoom – Christ the King

Ephesians 1.15-end Matthew 25.31-end

Click Here to access Zoom for 10am 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

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

11.45am Baptism 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-a808-8fd58d9c589f
Donations to St Mary's Church can also be made via the QR code.
Thank you for supporting our ministry and mission

22nd November 2026 – Please Pray For



Chervil Way, Burdock Close, Field Close.
Our work to support Christian Aid.
People who live alone; all who are lonely or anxious.

For those that have died recently – Brian Williams & Simon Dix

Dates for your diary

Fri 20th Nov	6.30-8pm Youth Club in the Parish Centre
Sat 21st Nov	10-11.30am Crafty Church to be held in Church
	1-4pm Private party booked in the Parish Centre
Sunday 22nd Nov	10am Parish Communion Service & via Zoom - **Christ The King**
	11.45am Baptism in Church
Mon 23rd Nov	9.30-11am Bumps, Babies & Toddler Group
Tues 24th Nov	1.30pm Interment of Ashes, RIP Zena Maye
	7pm Advent Wreath Making Evening
Wed 25th Nov	9.30-11.30am Advent Wreath Making Morning
Thurs 26th Nov	2-5pm Whist Drive being held in Church
Sat 28th Nov	11am Thanksgiving Service for the late Colin South followed by Interment of Ashes
	12noon Private function being held in the Parish Centre
Sunday 29th Nov	10am Parish Communion Service & via Zoom – **Advent Sunday**
	6pm Taize Service
Mon 30th Nov	9.30-11am Bumps, Babies & Toddler Group
	3pm Renewal of Wedding Vows in Church
Fri 4th Dec	2pm onwards Set up of Christmas Trees in Church for Festival
Sat 5th Dec	12-4pm Christmas Craft Market in the Parish Centre
	12-4pm Christmas Tree Festival in Church, Day 1
	7.30pm Music & Poetry around the Trees event held in Church
Sunday 6th Dec	10am Parish Communion Service & via Zoom – **Toy Sunday**
	12-4pm Christmas Tree Festival, Day 2

Notices

Important Heating update – please see letter attached.

28th Nov, Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Colin South

Nicky and their family warmly invite you to attend this service which takes place at 11am, followed by refreshments in the parish centre.

Advent Reading

This year for Advent we are not running an Advent Course and are instead inviting you to read an Advent book. Having looked at various advent books available, I've chosen *'Walking with Angels' by Eleanor Sanderson* (currently the Bishop of Hull and also the book chosen as his Advent book by the Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell). For those who want to participate, please do buy your own books either paperback or kindle, which are available on the internet, currently Amazon is cheapest (you would also be able to pay through Easy fundraising to add funds to church). Then in the new year when we have more time available, whoever has read the book, can meet together to discuss it, like a book

The Cowshed Charity - Tree of Hope

This Christmas season we have again decided to participate in their Tree of Hope appeal, all the information you will need to take part is at the back of Church alongside our Tree.

Gifts to be returned unwrapped, in time for our Toy Sunday Service on Sunday 6th December please. We look forward to welcoming Colin Gadd at this service, who is a member of the Cowshed Team and will tell us more about their work.

Christmas Tree Festival, 5th & 6th December, 12-4pm



We have a wonderful 23 trees already booked in but there is space for more! If your Club, Group, School, Nursery, Charity or local Business would like to take part then we would love to hear from you.

Please get in touch with Jo at stmarysburghfield@outlook.com and she can send you all the information needed.

Carols on the Hatch – Sunday 13th December

Slightly later this year so please note the date on your calendars and join our community around the village Christmas Tree to sing carols accompanied by Tadley Band.



Hot Chocolate and Mince Pies served from 4.45pm to start at 5pm.

We hope to see lots of you there. Remember to wrap up warm.

All donations go direct to The Children's Society.

TADLEY BAND

The Children's Society

Fundraising

Whist Drive, Thursday 26th November 2-5pm

Join us for another of our Whist Drives, this month being held in Church.
To reserve your place email Anne at fundraising@stmarysburghfield.org

Christmas Craft Market, Saturday 5th December 12 - 4pm



We are excited to have a great variety of craft stalls joining us, both up and downstairs in the Parish Centre, who will be offering local crafts and edible delights, a perfect way to complete all your Christmas shopping in one festive place.
So please pop the date into your diaries and come along to support this community event. Mulled Wine and refreshments too!



An Evening of Music & Poetry with The Reading Phoenix Choir



Saturday 5th December 7.30pm

Enjoy Music & Poetry amongst our Christmas Tree Festival Lights.
Admission is £10 to include Mince Pies & Mulled Wine.
All funds raised will go to support the work of the Church
To reserve your tickets email fundraising@stmarysburghfield.org
or purchase on the door



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