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Home Communion

If you are unable to come to church for communion and would like to receive it at home, please phone Petra or Di to make arrangements.

Healing Ministry is part of the ministry of this Church. If you would like prayers, or a visit, please speak to a Churchwarden or contact one of the clergy.

Looking ahead - Sunday Services:

	9am	10.30am	6.00pm
24 th August	No Service	Oakley	
31 st August	No Service	Stagsden	

Zoom services Join the services by clicking on the link (sent by email or on the benefice website), or call one of these numbers and enter
10.30am service ID number: 848 0690 8170

0131 460 1196
0203 481 5240
0203 901 7895
0203 481 5237
0208 080 6592

Hymns: 813, 727, 580, 258, 232, 671

In Emergency: When calling the emergency services give the what3words location reference below:
St. Owen's Church – fencing.sedative.gobbles
St. Mary's Church – insolvent.correct.grin
St Leonard's Church – squeezed.mainframe.tanked

Items for next week's pew leaflet to Sarah Smale by Wednesday lunchtime. **Next week the Pew Leaflet will be a double issue covering 24th & 31st Aug.**

9th Sunday of Trinity



St. Owen, Bromham
St. Mary, Oakley
St. Leonard, Stagsden
17th August 2025

A warm welcome Revd Min-Min Peaker to preach at our services today

9.00am Holy Communion

St Leonard's Stagsden

10.30am Holy Communion*

St Owen's Bromham

** This service will be live streamed via Zoom, see back page for more info*

Today's Readings

Jeremiah 23.23- 29

Hebrews 11.29- 12.2

Luke 12.49- 56

Today's Evensong Readings

Psalms 119.17- 32

Isaiah 28.9- 22

2 Corinthians 8.1- 9

Collect

Almighty God,
who sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church:
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
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.

Post Communion Prayer

Holy Father,
who gathered us here around the table of your Son
to share this meal with the whole household of God:
in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your
peace,
gather people of every race and language
to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ
our Lord.

Verse for the week

The Lord is good;
his love is eternal
and his faithfulness lasts forever.

Psalms 100 v 5:

For Our Prayers

- Those who supported & inspired our faith journey
- All brokering for world peace, justice, compassion
- Support for desperate people of Gaza & Ukraine
- Young people leaving school, facing big changes
- Families with broken relationships, hurts & fears
- The residents of Oakcroft, Stagsden

Please pray faithfully for those who are sick or in need and those who have asked for our prayers, their families and those who care for them:

Village:	Name:
Bromham	Michelle, Angela, Bill, Jeffrey, Julie, Tony, Amy, Andrew, Keith, Terry, John, Karen and Carol, June, Barbara, Ann, Mary, Revd Linda, Mary, Mike, Frances and Victor
Oakley	Adele, Elin & Celeste, Theresa, Maureen, Alison, Tony, Richard, David & Ann, George, Donna, Margaret, Linda, Dave, Sally and Pat
Stagsden	

In Memoriam

BROMHAM Audrey Wilson (18.07.22), Gordon Mobbs (20.07.03), Tommy Cochrane (20.07.07), Susan Read (21.07.08), Beverley Bennett (22.07.11), Olive Humphrey (22.07.20), Jean Rowe (22.07.21)

OAKLEY Jill Glass (18.07.19), Margaret Reed (22.07.09), Nigel Manning (23.07.15)

STAGSDEN

We pray for the family & friends of those who have recently died:

Barbara Hewitt (Oakley) Burial of Ashes 28th August 10am at St Mary's

Reflection

Our relationship with God sustains us through the joys & sorrows, successes & trials. Alone, we cannot flourish on the journey of life. We need the strength & resourcing of Jesus, the community of God's people, & the "cloud of witnesses" – past Christians who stay with us in prayer & left their legacy for us by example, writings, hymns & music. Jesus warns that His mission may cause division with others, even our families. Our loyalty to God may bring difficulties but we must persevere. *"Our faith is not another job. It's the fuel of life, making our life productive, joyful, blessed".*

The "Living God's Love" Prayer

Living God, draw us deeper into your love:
Jesus our Lord, send us to care and serve;
Holy Spirit, make us heralds of good news.

Stir us, strengthen us,
teach and inspire us to live your love
with generosity and joy,
imagination and courage;
for the sake of your world
and in the name of Jesus. Amen

Notices

Revd Catherine is on sabbatical. Catherine will not be monitoring her email or phone messages, so please contact Revd Petra, Sarah or a churchwarden if you have any queries.

Teas in Church every Sunday 3.30-5pm St Mary's, please pop along and support the team and raise funds for the church.

Benefice BBQ The annual Benefice BBQ is to be held in David and Vivien Butler's garden (28 Bridge End, Bromham) on Bank holiday Monday August 25th at 12.30pm. Bring and share salads and puddings needed. Please bring chairs and your own drinks. Contact Dorothy Palmer (01234 823959) for more information.

Open Garden Bishop of St Albans Garden will be open on 23rd/24th & 30th/31st August 2- 4pm for viewing of the summer displays. Entrance is £5 (children free) and dogs on leads are welcome. All money raised is donated to the Beds and Herts Historic Churches Trust. Address Abbey Gate House, Abbey Mill Lane, St Albans AL3 4HD.

Save the Date! Sat 11th Oct St Owen's. Bedford Gallery Quire will perform music from the 18th & 19th century.

Regular Events

Churchyard Working Party meets every Wednesday in St Owen's Bromham at 10am. All are welcome to help with tasks to keep the churchyard looking neat and tidy. Please contact Pat Bass on 01234 826990 for more information, or just turn up ready and willing!

Messy Church St Owen's Mon 11.30am – 1.30pm; St Mary's Thurs 10 – 11.45am. New term begins Thurs 4th and Mon 8th Sept.

Messy Church for all Next meeting Tues 16th Sept 3.30-5.30pm Oakley Methodist Church.

Morning Prayer on Mondays 9 – 9.30am on Zoom, ask Petra for the link.

Stagsden Open Door closed for the summer.

Prayer Group Thurs mornings 10.30am in the Fellowship Room at St Owen's. Re starts 4th Sept

Sewing Group on the 1st & 3rd Weds in St Owen's Fellowship Room 2-4pm. Next 20th Aug. Contact: Margaret Parrott on 824402

Tuesday Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in St Owen's Fellowship Room at 11.30am followed by a simple lunch. Next service 19th August

Link Up Next meeting is on Thurs 11th September at 2.30pm in the Fellowship Room, St Owen's. Contact Tessa for more information.

First Friday Coffee Morning next meeting on Fri 5th Sept 11am- 1.00pm in the Fellowship Room, St Owen's Bromham. Contact Flora on 822094

Open Saturdays next date in St Owen's 13th Sept 10am-12 noon. If you can help open up, please contact Sarah

Our Voice Youth Group. For anyone in Year 7 to 13. The group will start up again in September. Please contact Emma on ourvoicetoo@gmail.com to for info.

Fellowship Lunch next lunch is on Sun 7th Sept in the Fellowship Room St Owen's. Bring some food to share, and enjoy the company of others as we eat together. Contact: Vivien Butler 407351