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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 one of the clergy 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
26 th April	Bromham	Oakley	
3 rd May	Oakley	Bromham	

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: 200, 204, 709, 209, 207

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.

Third Sunday of Easter



St. Owen, Bromham
St. Mary, Oakley
St. Leonard, Stagsden
19th April 2026

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

Acts 2.14, 36- 41
1 Peter 1.17- 23
Luke 24.13- 35

Today's Evensong Readings

Psalms 48
Haggai 1.13- 2.9
1 Corinthians 3.10 -17

Collect for today

Almighty Father,
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples
with the sight of the risen Lord:
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his
risen life
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;
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

Living God,
your Son made himself known to his disciples
in the breaking of bread:
open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Verse for this week:

Through [Jesus] you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

1Peter 1: 21

For Our Prayers

- That our Awayday discussions and thoughts will bear fruit in the life and growth of our churches
- Petra and her husband Charlie as they prepare to leave Bedford and move to Norfolk
- Elsie Harris, her parents and godparents as she is baptised this Sunday
- The leaders of the nations to have a desire to work for peace, and to put that into action
- The work of Bedford Foodbank, generosity of giving to it, and the families who receive its support
- Those who are anxious, to know the peace and love of the risen Christ in their hearts and lives
- The residents of Herons Mead, The Paddocks & Berry Court

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, Linda, Mary, Mike, Frances and Peggy
Oakley	Adele, Elin & Celeste, Theresa, Maureen, Alison, Tony, Richard, David & Ann, George, Donna, Margaret, Linda, Dave, Sally, Pat, Anne & John, Pam and Pat
Stagsden	David E

In Memoriam

BROMHAM Annie Sallows (21.04.92), Jean Hakon (21.04.15), Sid Tysoe (23.04.09), Helen Woodcock (23.04.15)

OAKLEY Kathleen Johnson (22.04.95), Leslie Billig (22.04.21)

STAGSDEN

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

Brian Leeson (Oakley) Burial of Ashes Thurs 23rd April 4pm St Mary's

Reflection

In his first letter, St Peter writes to Christians who have been scattered across the area we know as Turkey. He reminds them that whatever circumstances they face, they have chosen to believe in Jesus and to trust God for the future, which gives them great hope. We are fortunate to be able to gather regularly for worship and to support each other – our situation is different. But we too have put our faith in God through Jesus, and we celebrate God's power which raised Jesus from death. In this Easter season we rejoice in the hope we have – of sins forgiven and eternal life with God.

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 Petra's last services with us will be Sunday 26th April, 9am in St Owen's and 10.30am in St Mary's. After the 10.30am in service in St Mary's there will be coffee/prosecco and cake. Please come and celebrate Petra's time with us and send her off with our blessings. Please see a churchwarden if you want to contribute in any way.

APCMs: The annual meetings for each of our three churches will take place soon, beginning with **St Leonard's Stagsden on Monday April 20th at 5pm** in the church. The paperwork has been circulated by email – please let Catherine know if you need a paper copy. (St Owen's – Sunday May 17th 11.45am in church St Mary's - Weds May 20th 7pm in church)

Organ Recital Sunday 26 April 3.00pm at St Lawrence church, Willington MK44 3PX. It is the first of this year's organ recitals on the last Sundays of the month. David Williams will present a programme of organ music by Dutch composers. As always there will be plenty of tea, coffee and cake. Please do go along to support.

Stagsden Open Door returns to St Leonard's for 2026 on Tues 5th May 3-4.30pm and will continue on the first Tuesday of each month. All are welcome for refreshments and fellowship.

Open Saturdays at St Owen's we are once again hoping to open St Owen's monthly on a Saturday, beginning Sat 9th May, between 10am and 12noon. Thanks to all that said they could help- please let Tessa know if you can help and have not yet volunteered.

Open Deanery Synod Meeting Thurs 4th June 7.30pm Bletsoe Village Hall. 'Living as a Human in the AI World'. This is sure to be an interesting discussion led by Revd Canon Dr Tim Bull. All welcome!

Regular Events

Messy Church St Owen's Mon 11.30am – 1.30pm; St Mary's Thurs 10 – 11.45am.

Messy Church for all Next meeting 21st Apr 3.30-5.30pm Oakley Methodist Church.

Morning Prayer on Mondays 9 – 9.30am on Zoom, link on website

Prayer Group Thurs mornings 10.30am in the Fellowship Room at St Owen's.

Tuesday Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in St Owen's Fellowship Room at 11.30am. Next service 21st Apr followed by a light lunch.

Sewing Group on the 1st & 3rd Weds 2-4pm. Next 6th May in the Fellowship Room at St Owen's Bromham. Contact: Margaret 824402

Link Up Next meeting is on Thurs 23rd April 2pm in the Fellowship Room at St Owen's Bromham. Contact: Tessa 07766 118258

First Friday Coffee Morning takes a break in April and will return on Fri 1st May at the NEW time of 10.30am-12.30 pm in the Fellowship Room, St Owen's Bromham. Contact Flora on 822094

Fellowship Lunch Takes a break in April and May, we will be back on 7th June