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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 Catherine 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	6pm
8 th Oct	Stagsden	Oakley	3.00pm Oakley & 6.00pm Bromham
15 th Oct	Stagsden	Bromham	4.30pm Wild Church

Zoom services

Join the service 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

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.

Harvest



St. Owen, Bromham
St. Mary, Oakley
St. Leonard, Stagsden
1st October 2023

9.00am Holy Communion

St Mary's Oakley

10.30am All Age Harvest Service*

St Owen's Bromham

10.30am Joint LEP Harvest Service

Oakley Methodist Church

3.00pm Service of Remembering &

Thanksgiving

St Leonard's Stagsden

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

Today's Readings

Psalm 65

Philippians 3.4- 14

Matthew 9.35-38

Today's Evensong Readings

Psalm 136

Proverbs 2.1- 11

1 John 2.1- 17

Collect for today

Eternal God,
you crown the year with your goodness
and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season:
grant that we may use them to your glory,
for the relief of those in need
and for our own well-being;
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, Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, we pray that your grace
may always precede and follow us,
and make us continually to be given to all good works;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen

Verse for this week:

The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, has blessed us.
May God continue to bless us;
Let all the ends of the earth revere him.

Psalm 67: 6-7

For Our Prayers

- Workers with relief organisations, refugee camps
- Areas where harvest have failed, homes destroyed
- Peace in the troubled areas, responsible leaders
- Wisdom, integrity in our UK Govt and leadership
- Peace in the minds of young drawn to knife crime
- Compassion in our care of asylum seekers
- Stagsden Parish Council

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, the Gill family, Julie, Tony, Amy, Andrew, Jean & Richard, Anne, Keith, Terry, John, James, Karen and Carole and Mary J.
Oakley	Adele, Elin & Celeste, Theresa, Maureen, David, Alison, Tony, Graeme, Richard, Dorothy, Ann, David and Monica, George, Donna, Piper and Janet
Stagsden	

In Memoriam

BROMHAM Peter Rushbrook (01.10.19), Josephine Bennett (01.10.21), Eileen Molly (02.10.08), Thelma Coles (03.10.10), Olivia McMurdy (03.10.16), Trevor Rooke (04.10.02), Herbert Sharp (05.10.11), Maureen Graetz (06.10.92)

OAKLEY

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

Doreen Hindle (Stagsden) Funeral Thurs 5th Oct at 2pm St Leonard's

Stephen Holder (Bromham)

Reflection

We pray: In our sowing and our harvesting, in our cooking and our eating: Let us till the earth gently, fish the seas wisely, tend the animals lovingly, share with the hungry generously, pay the worker fairly, enjoy our food thankfully, praise the Giver abundantly. So may the Father who provides for all creatures, the Son who encompasses all in his mercy, and the Spirit who gives breath to all living things, bless our lives with goodness, and guide us in generous living. Amen.

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

Harvest Lunches TODAY Sun 1st Oct

St Owen's: Harvest Lunch- £6 adults, U16 free, tickets from Frances or Sarah. Please bring your own drink. Donations of raffle prizes welcome- to Frances. Cash donations to the Bishop's Harvest Appeal to provide chickens to Ugandan families, non perishable food to Bedford Foodbank.

Oakley Methodist: Jacket potato & quiche lunch. Please let Hilarie know if you plan to attend- 262166. Donations of cash and non-perishable food to Bedford Foodbank.

Remembering Services start TODAY Sun Oct 1st in St Leonard's Stagsden 3pm. There will be a service to remember our loved ones in each church during Oct, an opportunity to reflect, light a candle, and give thanks, followed by tea and cake. Names to be read out in Stagsden to Di, in Oakley (Oct 8th) to Graham, and in Bromham (Oct 29th) to Catherine please.

The Alpha Course begins Monday 2nd Oct 6.30-8.30pm in St Owen's Fellowship Room. A great opportunity to share a meal, watch a video and be curious about faith. Talk to Catherine or Petra for more info.

Deanery Quiet Day – Weds 4th Oct 9.30 – 3.30pm at St Owen's. Theme: The Kingdom of God.

Open Mornings St Owen's will be continuing in the autumn, next dates 7th Oct & 11th Nov, 10am- 12noon. Please contact Frances if you can help.

Ouse Valley Singers in concert St Owen's Sat 14th Oct 7.30pm – Adults £10, U16 Free on the door. Raffle and refreshments. Contact: Edward 01234 826551

Volunteer Request for Sharnbrook Hotel housing refugees. A plea for more befrienders for asylum seekers. Contact Sarah or Catherine if you are interested in helping.

Regular Events

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

Morning Prayer on Mondays 9.15 – 9.45am in St Mary's Oakley.

Stagsden Open Door 3pm- 4.30pm every Tuesday

Our Voice A group for young people from school year 7 to aged 18 for fun, food and faith. Please email ourvoicetoo@gmail.com for more information.

Sewing Group on the 1st and 3rd Weds of the month in St Owen's Fellowship Room 2-4pm. Next date 11th October (different dates in Oct). Contact: Frances

Tuesday Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in St Owen's Fellowship Room at 11.30am followed by a simple lunch. Next service 3rd October. Contact: Di.

Link Up Next meeting Thurs 19th Oct 2.30pm Fellowship Room St Owen's - a quiz. Contact: Tessa Woodcock (see back page). **Please note the revised date.**

First Friday Coffee Mornings Fri 6th October 11am-1pm in St Owen's Fellowship Room, Bromham. In aid of Pancreatic Cancer. Contact: Frances (see back page).