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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	3.30pm
30 th Nov	No Service	Stagsden Village Hall	6pm Oakley
7 th Dec	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: 690, 223, 103, 811, 415, 227

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.

Christ the King



St. Owen, Bromham
St. Mary, Oakley
St. Leonard, Stagsden
23rd November 2025

9.00am Holy Communion

St Owen's Bromham

10.30am Holy Communion*

St Mary's Oakley

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

Today's Readings

Jeremiah 23.1- 6
Colossians 1.11- 20
Luke 23.33- 43

Today's Evensong Readings

Psalms 72
1 Samuel 8.4- 20
John 18.33- 37

Collect for today

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.

Post Communion Prayer

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good
works, may by you be plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Verse for this week:

God has rescued us from the power of darkness and
transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in
whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.
Colossians 1.13-14

For Our Prayers

- Leaders to exercise their power wisely and for the good of all their people
- Our own Royal family as they balance public and private lives, and seek to serve the nation
- The Government preparing to announce the Budget
- Plans for Christmas in Church – that people will be drawn to come and celebrate the baby King with us
- People who have to choose between food and heat, and the work of Bedford foodbank.
- Staff, children and carers at the Almonds Preschool, Little Fishes nursery and Oakley Kindergarten.

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 and Frances
Oakley	Adele, Elin & Celeste, Theresa, Maureen, Alison, Tony, Richard, David & Ann, George, Donna, Margaret, Linda, Dave, Sally and Pat
Stagsden	

In Memoriam

BROMHAM Cynthia Buchanan (23.11.13), Graham Gooding (24.11.87), John Hutchinson (24.11.20), Kenneth Bushell (25.11.14), Christopher Smith (25.11.17), Michael Broom (25.11.20), Lillian Condor (26.11.17), Tim Cox (27.11.07), G Hawkes (27.11.07), Rose- Marie Clifton (28.11.19)

OAKLEY Reginald Hulatt (23.11.13), Molly Scott (23.11.11), Terence Youngman (29.11.19), Thomas Upstone (29.11.10)

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

Revd Derek Draper Funeral Weds 26th Nov 12.30pm St Owen's followed by tea and cake in the Fellowship Room. Zoom Service ID Number: 819 4476 8425

Susan Cook (Bromham) Burial of Ashes Mon 1st Dec 2.30pm St Owen's

Ronald Allman (Bromham) Burial of ashes Thurs 4th Dec 10am St Owen's

Reflection

Today, at the end of the Church's year, we celebrate and proclaim that Jesus is our King. The wonderful description of Jesus in Colossians ch 1 tells us of his power and might, and we remember that whatever is happening in the world, we believe he does reign over all creation. But we also know his loving care for each and every person – the crown of gold came after the crown of thorns, he suffered and died for the world before he ascended to reign over it. May we worship him today as both mighty King and loving Saviour.

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

Christmas Tree Lighting Sat 29th Nov 5pm St Mary's Oakley. Join us for tree lighting, carols and refreshments.

Advent Sunday 30th Nov:

10.30am Holy Communion in Stagsden Village Hall (no heating in the church!), followed by Fellowship Lunch also in the village hall.

6pm Music and Readings for Advent in St Mary's Oakley

Coffee Morning Extravaganza Fri 5th Dec 10.30am-2pm St Owen's. Join us for a special coffee morning with light lunches, a raffle and stalls. Offers of help and donations of prizes, stall ideas to Elaine please on harrison.ejh@gmail.com or 826702

Christmas Crafts Sun 7th Dec 2-4pm St Owen's Bromham. £3 per child U2s free. Please do invite a family down to join in the fun.

Light in the Darkness- A Quiet Christmas Space A short, peaceful service which shares the hope and light of Christmas in a gentle way. Christmas turned down a notch or two, for however you are feeling. Sat 13th Dec 3pm St Owen's.

Regular Events

Churchyard Working Party meets every Wednesday in St Owen's Bromham at 10am. All are welcome to help. Contact Pat Bass on 01234 826990.

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

Messy Church for all Next meeting Tues 16th Dec 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.

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

Tuesday Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in St Owen's Fellowship Room at 11.30am. Next service 2nd Dec followed by a light lunch.

Link Up Next meeting is on Thurs 11th Dec at 12.30pm for Christmas lunch at The Fox, Carlton Contact Tessa for more information and to book a place.

Our Voice Youth Group. For anyone in Year 7 to 13. Next meeting Sat 13th Dec 5-6.30pm in Clapham Fellowship Centre Please contact Emma on ourvoicetoo@gmail.com to for info.

Fellowship Lunch Sun 30th Nov in Stagsden Village Hall. Bring some food to share, and enjoy the company of others as we eat together. Contact: Vivien Butler 407351

