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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
5 th May	Oakley	Bromham	
12 th May	Stagsden	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

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 the next pew leaflet to **Sarah Smale** by Wednesday evening.

Easter 5



St. Owen, Bromham
St. Mary, Oakley
St. Leonard, Stagsden
28th April 2024

9.00am Holy Communion
St Owen's Bromham
10.30am Holy Communion*
St Mary's Oakley
6.00pm Evensong
St Mary's Oakley

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

Today's Readings

Acts 8.26- end
1 John 4.7- end
John 15.1- 8

Today's Evensong Readings

Psalms 96
Isaiah 60.1- 14
Revelation 3.1- 13

Collect for Today

Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of
everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the
life:
grant us to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Verse for this week:

Jesus said "I am the vine, you
are the branches. Those who
abide in me and I in them bear
much fruit, because apart from
me you can do nothing."
John 15.5



For Our Prayers

- For our Royal Family, the Government, Judges
- Unity within God's Church, His love binding us.
- Aid to reach all in need of food, water, shelter.
- Those negotiating peace where there is conflict.
- Children struggling with school, relationships etc.
- Petra as she waits for tests for a cardiac issue.
- Craig & Louise, Daniel & Samantha, Aidan & Perri, James & Rebecca, Hamish & Marie, whose banns are being read in St Owen's today, as they prepare for their weddings.
- Alex & Natasha, Harris & Amy, Daniel & Abigail, whose banns are being read in St Mary's today as they prepare for their weddings.
- 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, the Gill family, Julie, Tony, Amy, Andrew, Richard & family, Anne, Keith, Terry, John, James, Karen and Carol, June, Barbara, Ann and Geoffrey
Oakley	Adele, Elin & Celeste, Theresa, Maureen, Alison, Tony, Richard, Ann, David and Monica, George, Donna, Piper, Janet and Margaret
Stagsden	

In Memoriam

BROMHAM Chris Shaw (28.04.97), Frederick Garratt (01.05.13), Michael Musk (02.05.16), Sandra Roberts (03.05.22)

OAKLEY Edward Sills (29.04.10), Joyce Goodwin (30.04.17)

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

David Davies (Oakley) Funeral Tues 30th April 10.15am St Mary's

Jean Clifton (Bromham)

Reflection

"I am the true vine" and "abide in me as I abide in you". Jesus spoke to the disciples just before He was arrested, when they would scatter and hide. He describes a new relationship they would have after His Ascension - a close and deep connection binding them to Him. To be disciples we cannot be self-sufficient. We must have dependence on Jesus, the vine, or we cannot serve God and His kingdom. We are the flourishing branch bearing fruit, receiving nurture from the main plant. We cannot thrive on our own strength.

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

APCMs The Annual Meetings for our churches will take place as follows:

St Mary's Wednesday 15th May 7.30pm in the church
St Owen's Sunday 19th May 11.45am in the church (followed by lunch)

Please make a note of the date for your church, and plan to come along to hear about the life of the church, and elect PCC members and churchwardens.

Could you consider becoming a **PCC member**, and having a voice in what your church does to take forward our aims and share God's love with our villages? Talk to a Church warden or PCC member for more information!

Messy Church Plus! Is back Bank Holiday Mon 6th May 11.30am – 1.30pm St Owen's, includes lunch. Children of any age welcome with a well-behaved adult!

Ascension Day Service: Our benefice is hosting the Deanery Ascension Day service, in St Leonard's Stagsden – Thurs May 9th 7.30pm. Do come and join us.

Open Church St Owen's Sat open mornings 10am – 12noon: Next dates 18th May, 22nd June, 20th July, 17th Aug Contact Frances if you can help.

Book Aid Do you have any Bibles or Christian books in good condition that you no longer need? The Christian charity Book Aid would be grateful for them, sending them to Africa and S.America. Please drop any donations at the Baptist Church office before Saturday 4th May. Thank you, Gillian Foster, tel: 01234 823810

Regular Events

Prayer Group Thurs mornings 10.30am St Owen's

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

Messy Church for all Oakley Methodist Church – next date Tues May 21st 3.30- 5pm- all ages welcome!

Morning Prayer on Mondays 9 – 9.30am, on Zoom during the winter, ask Catherine for the link.

Sewing Group on the 1st and 3rd Weds of the month in St Owen's Fellowship Room 2-4pm. Next date 1st May 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 7th May. Contact: Di

Stagsden Open Door weekly on Tuesdays 3.00-4.30pm in St Leonard's, all welcome. Contact Di

Link Up Next meeting Thurs 9th May, 2.30pm in the Fellowship Room St Owen's. Contact: Tessa Woodcock

Fellowship Lunch – Our next lunch will follow the St Owen's APCM on Sun 19th May in the Fellowship Room 12.30pm onwards. Bring some food to share, and enjoy the company of others as we eat together. Contact: Vivien Butler 407351

First Friday Coffee Morning next meeting May 3rd 11am – 1pm in St Owens, in aid of the church. On Fri 7th Jun our Coffee Group will run 10am- 12.30pm in aid of the Children's Society. There will be the opportunity to drop off the Children's society boxes or donate to the charity on the day. Enquiries to Anne Rooke on 602718