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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
12 <sup>th</sup> July	Stagsden	OMC open-air service	Bromham
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Stagsden	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: 365, 775, 712, 437, 451, 748

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.

# Fifth Sunday of Trinity



St. Owen, Bromham  
St. Mary, Oakley  
St. Leonard, Stagsden  
5<sup>th</sup> July 2026

#### **9.00am Holy Communion**

**St Mary's Oakley**

**10.30am Holy Communion\***  
with baptism of Alexander Groves  
**St Owen's Bromham**

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

#### Today's Readings

Zechariah 9.9- 12

Romans 7.15- 25

Matthew 11.16- 19, 25- end

#### Today's Evensong Readings

Psalms 56

2 Samuel 2.1- 11. 3.1

Luke 18.31- 19.10

#### Collect for today

Almighty and everlasting God,  
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church  
is governed and sanctified:  
hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful  
people,  
that in their vocation and ministry  
they may serve you in holiness and truth  
to the glory of your name;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

#### Post Communion Prayer

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,  
that the course of this world may be so peaceably  
ordered  
by your governance,  
that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly  
quietness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Verse for this week:

Jesus said, 'Come to me, all you that are weary and  
are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest'.  
Matthew 11:28

'A welcoming community,  
sharing God's love with all'

### For Our Prayers

- All who are weighed down by worry, sadness or grief to find peace and rest in Jesus
- The victims of the Venezuelan earthquake, and the rescuers working to help them
- The work of The Samaritans and other charities that listen to people in distress and need
- Those close to death and all who care for them
- Alexander Groves, his parents and godparents at his baptism today
- The 3 couples whose banns are being read this week, as they prepare for their weddings
- The residents of Northampton Road & Grange Barns

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

### In Memoriam

**BROMHAM** William Parrish (05.07.11), Frederick Robinson (06.07.17), Joan Clarkson (10.07.93), Mark Curran (10.07.07), Yvonne Pierce (10.07.08)

**OAKLEY** Walter Atkins (08.07.22), Peggy Stevenson (10.07.24)

**STAGSDEN**

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

**Barbara Crawford** (Bromham) Funeral & burial Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> July 10.30am St Owen's

### Reflection

In a world often full of hurry and heaviness, sadness and worry, Jesus' invitation is simple and personal: "Come to me." He does not add burdens or expectations; he offers rest. His way is not escape from life but shared life with him—learning his gentle, lowly heart. As we learn to walk beside him, our striving eases and our souls find rhythm. This week, let's acknowledge the things that we find hard to carry, that weigh us down with care each day, and bring them to Jesus. We can receive Christ's welcome, listen for his pace, and discover that his grace is enough for every step.

### 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

**Fellowship Lunch** TODAY Sun 5<sup>th</sup> July in the Fellowship Room at St Owen's Bromham. Bring some food to share, and enjoy the company of others as we eat together. Contact: Vivien Butler 407351

**Next Sunday July 12<sup>th</sup>** – 10.30am LEP service will be on the grass outside Oakley Methodist Church, and followed by a Bring and Share lunch – all welcome, please bring a garden chair to sit on if you can.

**A Concert of Words and Music** by our very own David Williams and Edward Jones Sat 11<sup>th</sup> July in St Owen's 2pm – entry £10. Cream tea also available £5 – must be booked in advance! Could you help? Refreshments and servers required. Please contact Edward or Elaine.

**Bromham Show** Sun 12<sup>th</sup> July Could you help serve the Show Committee lunches? Contact Edward or Elaine.

**Bishop of St Albans Open Garden** 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> July 2-4pm. £5 per person (children free), dogs on leads. In aid of the Beds and Herts Historic Churches Trust. Find the gardens at Abbey Gate House, Abbey Mill Lane, St Albans AL3 4HD.

**Teas in Church** begins TODAY Sun 5<sup>th</sup> July in St Mary's 3.30-5pm every Sunday until 13<sup>th</sup> Sept.

**Deanery Quiet Days** Weds 16<sup>th</sup> OR Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Sept 9.30am-3.30pm at St Owen's £7 on the day, including lunch and refreshments. This year's theme is 'Who is Jesus'. Sign up by contacting Nick Munday on [n.j.munday@btinternet.com](mailto:n.j.munday@btinternet.com) or 07966 377108

### 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 826990, or just turn up

**Open Saturdays at St Owen's** next date Sat 11<sup>th</sup> July, between 10am and 12noon. Contact Tessa if you would like to help on future dates.

**Stagsden Open Door** at St Leonard's on Tues 7<sup>th</sup> July 3-4.30pm and thereafter on the first Tuesday of each month. All are welcome for refreshments and fellowship.

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

**Messy Church for all** Next meeting to be confirmed

**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** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays in St Owen's Fellowship Room at 11.30am. Next service 7<sup>th</sup> July followed by a light lunch.

**Sewing Group** on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Weds 2-4pm. Next 22<sup>nd</sup> July in the Fellowship Room at St Owen's Bromham. Contact: Margaret 824402 **This is a new date.**

**Link Up** Next meeting is on Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2.30pm in the Fellowship Room St Owen's. Contact: Tessa 07766 118258

**First Friday Coffee Morning** Fri 7<sup>th</sup> August 10.30am-12.30 pm in the Fellowship Room, St Owen's Bromham. Contact Flora on 822094