

2018 Diary

27 th August	Summer BBQ at Di's 12.30
8 th Sept	Stagsden Harvest Supper
13 th Sept	Healing Service 10.30 St Owens
15 th Sept	Oakley Harvest Supper
16 th Sept	Oakley Harvest Festival 10.30
22 nd Sept	Proms in the Park: St Owens 3.30 p.m.
23 rd Sept	Stagsden Harvest Festival
6 st Oct	Bromham Harvest Supper
7 th Oct	Bromham Harvest Festival 10.30 a.m.
22 nd Oct	Licensing of Revd Catherine Wilson 7.30 p.m. at St Marys, Oakley

Joanne Lee

We are sorry to announce that our administrator Joanne will be leaving us later this month, in order to take up the position of Clerk to the Parish Council of Great Barford. She will be able to put in limited hours for some weeks, in order to help bridge the gap until we find a replacement. In the meantime we need volunteers to help man the office and take on some tasks. Offers of help to Di please.

Office Vacancy.

We are now advertising for a replacement for Joanne. Anyone interested in this part-time job of circa 15 hours per week should contact Di or David Butler for further information.

Link up for people living on their own.

On September 13 we will have a game of Bingo. All welcome. For more information ring Anne Tombs 01234 822949

Summer BBQ at Di's. Bank Holiday Monday 27th August 12.30pm Tickets now available (maximum 50). Some chairs needed. Bring your own wine (soft drinks available).

Bring and share lunches

There will be no Bring and Share lunch in August Sunday September 9 will be at 6 Manor Close, home of Edward and Eileen Jones For more information ring Anne Tombs 01234 822949

St Mary's Church Oakley. Do come and join us for cream teas every Sunday afternoon until Sept 16th. 15.30 – 17:00 at a cost of £2.50.

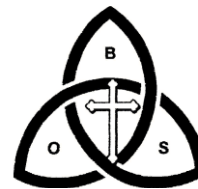
Quality 2nd hand Books at Bromham Mill (go thru the cafe). Hand-picked Summer reading for all ages. Donations to St Owen's Building Fund at the cafe counter.

Vicarage Garden. Volunteers needed to cut grass & clear bushes (our responsibility covering vacancy). Please contact Ian Frankish if you can offer to put in few hours or join the rota for the summer.

Appointment of our new vicar. Rev Catherine Wilson will be taking up post in mid October. Please pray for her and husband Tim. Licencing service 19:30 22nd Oct St Marys Oakley.

Work in Progress at St Owens. Work on digging foundations and drainage for the extension has started. As a result, the Portaloo is moved to the right of the south porch. When the west door is not available, fire exits will be the south door and the chancel door. The south door and approach to the Garden of Remembrance will NOT be affected. Access for contractors will be via the temporary gate and the path around the tower; when this area is closed to the public alternative routes to the north gate will be signposted.

Sponsored Bike and Hike in Beds and Herts – Sat 8th September 10:00 – 18:00. Consider going as a group. Sponsorship forms available in church.



Pew Leaflet for the Benefice of St. Owen, Bromham St. Mary, Oakley and St. Leonard, Stagsden 12th August 2018 Trinity 11

We welcome you if you are a visitor or new to our villages, please make yourself known to us. Parents and children are welcome at the services and may use the toys and play areas if needed. Hearing loop in Bromham and Oakley only.

Coffee & biscuits are served after the morning services in Bromham 10.30 and Oakley 9.30 and after 18:00 Songs of Praise in Stagsden. Please stay and join us.

Ministry Team:

Vicar	Post vacant	
Priest	Rev. Di Harpham	01234 918691
Priest	Rev. Paula Vennells	01234 851594
Benefice Administrator	Joanne Lee	01234 825454
Bromham	Ian Frankish	01234 825123
Churchwardens	Tessa Woodcock	01234 340089
Oakley	Hilarie Worley	01234 262166
Churchwardens	Graham Palmer	07710 462535
Stagsden	Vacant	
Churchwardens		

Healing Ministry is part of the ministry of this Church. If you would like prayers, laying on of hands, or a visit, please speak to a Churchwarden or contact one of the priests. Next Healing Service Thursday 13th September at 10:30 St Owens

Benefice Welcome Centre and Office:

Located above shops in Avoca Centre, Molivers Lane. Phone 825454

Please note revised Office Times for August: Mon/Wed/Fri 10.00 – 12.00

Benefice Web Site: www.bromhambenefice.org
Information for web site to Joanne Lee at administrator@bromhambenefice.org

In Emergency: To call the emergency services the POSTCODE is required. See the notice board.
St. Owen's Church - Bromham MK43 8LL
St. Mary's Church - Oakley MK43 7RU
St. Leonard's Church - Stagsden MK43 8SQ

In Case of Fire: during the service you will be asked to leave quietly by the nearest exit and assemble in the Car Park.

Bromham Brunch

This is a free, relaxed event held every second Sunday 10.30 – 12.00 at the Lower School site in Grange Lane.

Please take the **Pew Leaflet** home with you. Items for next week's pew leaflet to David & Vivien Butler by Wednesday evening (d.e.butler@ntlworld.com)

Readings for Sunday 12th August: Trinity 11
St Mary's Patronal Festival

Isaiah 61. 10-11
 Galatians 4. 4-7
 Luke 1. 46 - 55

Collect

Almighty God,
 who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
 and chose her to be the mother of your only Son:
 grant that we who are redeemed by his blood may share with
 her in the glory of your eternal kingdom, in the unity of the
 Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*

Post Communion Prayer

God most high, whose handmaiden bore the Word made flesh:
 we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption you visit
 us with your Holy Spirit and overshadow us by your power:
 strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience
 and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness; through Jesus Christ
 our Lord. *Amen*

Reflection:

Today we reflect on Mary's role as Jesus' mother, who carried
 and nurtured the incarnated Christ child. We honour her for the
 part she played in Jesus' life, and give thanks for her life of
 dedication to the work God called her to fulfil. She could have
 been fearful, she could have refused, but instead in obedience
 and trust she accepted God's call.
 We too need to be ready for the prompting of the Holy Spirit
 which can come to us in prayer, Bible passage or other people or
 situations. God is calling all of us to do something (it is unlikely to
 be through an angel!) but the message will still be there. Will we,
 like Mary, be obedient, trusting and strong enough to answer as
 she did?

Evensong Readings

Psalm 91
 Job 39.1 – 40.4
 Hebrews 12.1-7

Readings for Sunday 19th August: Trinity 12

Ephesians 5.15-20
 John 6.51-58

Evensong Readings

Psalm 100
 Exodus 2.23 – 3.10
 Hebrews 13.1-15
 Luke 12. 49-56

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.

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 and for those have asked for prayer:

Village:	Name:
Bromham	Freda & Raymond Izzard, Michelle & Sandra, Brian Jackson, Steve, Angela Brennan (Cheshire), Marian Watson, Ian Rowe, Usher, Don & Carol, Jean Bodger
Oakley	Lucy Phillips, Adele, Elin & Celeste, Katie Perren, Theresa, Maureen Barker, David Davies, Terry Youngman, Tony, Barbara Galbraith, Bryn Owen, Nicky Young Alison Hammond, Graham Ridgeway
Stagsden	Hadfield family

We have received thanks from those who asked for prayer.

Prayers:

- The Dioceses of Ruvuma (Tanzania)
- Parishes of Hitchin and Offley
- All churches in a vacancy, for those who carry extra roles
- The children being baptised this summer & the families
- Those living in Parkland & Partridge lane, Bromham
- Those living in Reynes Drive, Oakley
- Those living in Stagsden West End

In Memoriam:

BROMHAM: Mary Dickey (09.08.17), Jim Cowsill (11.08.97),
 Kath Jeffries (13.08.2002).
OAKLEY: Stephen Treby (11.08.95), Leslie Green (15.08.2015)

Rest In Peace:

Valerie Ireson (Oakley)
Jack Hughes (Bromham)
Alice Page (Bromham)

Services for Sunday 12th August –St Mary's Patronal Festival

9.00	Parish Eucharist - Stagsden
10.30	Benefice Eucharist - OAKLEY
10.30	Bromham Brunch – Bromham Lower School (Grange Lane site)
18.00	Benefice Evensong - BROMHAM

Services this week

Day	Time	Service
Mon		NO Messy Church - BROMHAM
Tues	10:00	Eucharist – BROMHAM BAPTIST CHURCH
Thurs		NO Messy Church - OAKLEY
		NO Prayer group

Services for 19th August: 12th Sunday of Trinity

8:00	Benefice Holy Communion - OAKLEY
10.30	Parish Eucharist BROMHAM
10:30	Parish Eucharist - OAKLEY