2018 Diary

| 18 th Oct | St Owen's Healing Service 10.30am |
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| 22 nd Oct | Licensing of Revd Catherine Wilson as Vicar |
| | 7.30pm at St Mary's, Oakley |
| 6 th Nov | Meal at "Indian Summer" in aid of Bromham |
| | building project. |
| 13 th Nov | Cantamus in Concert 7.45pm at St Owen's |
| | Music for the Remembrance Season |
| 24 th Nov | Autumn Fair 1.30pm- 4pm in St Owen's |
| | Church in aid of the Building project |
| 2 nd Dec | Children's Christmas Crafts 2.00pm- 4.00pm |
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<u>Rev. Di Harpham</u> – Di is still recovering from shingles. We ask for your understanding if some services have to be changed or cancelled.

Open Door at Stagsden re-opened on Tues 2nd October. All welcome.

Bring and Share lunches

Next Bring and Share lunch is on Sunday October 14th at 13 Quenby Way, home of Sonia and Philip Jackson. For more information ring Anne Tombs 01234 822949

Link up for people living on their own

All welcome to next event on Thurs October 18th (NB not usual second Thurs) when Policeman John will talk about keeping safe at home. For more information ring Anne Tombs 01234 822949.

<u>Appointment of our new vicar</u>. Rev Catherine Wilson will be taking up post in late October. Please pray for her and husband Tim. Licencing service 7.30pm, 22nd Oct at St Mary's Oakley.

<u>Licencing Service Catering Request</u> Flora and Deidre are requesting volunteers to help with the catering for Rev Catherine's induction on Monday 22nd October. Please could you sign the list in the Church, or ring Flora on 822094 or Deidre on 824817 for more information.

<u>Big Thanks</u> to the Youth team for a wonderful Harvest supper, to those who decorated the church and to those who served teas on Sunday.

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

Men's Group. This is open to men of the three parishes and is held in Bromham Village Hall on the fourth Wednesday of every other month. Our final meeting of the year will be on November 28th (speaker t.b.c.). David Butler gave notice six months ago that he would be giving up organising the group at the end of the year, after 8 years. We need a volunteer to take this on if the group is to continue next year. Please contact David on 407351 if you feel able to take on this role.

<u>Foodbank.</u> The Bedford Foodbank have advised that they are short of tinned vegetables, tinned meat, jars of pasta sauce, cup-a-soups and coffee.

<u>Harvest Thanks</u> Bedford Foodbank have sent a 'thank you' for our Harvest food donations which totalled 44.43kg or around 105 meals.

<u>Fairtrade Autumn Fair at St Andrew's</u> Friday 19th October 3pm- 8pm, Saturday 20th October 10am- 5pm, Sunday 2st October 11.15am- 12.30pm. Entrance £1, children 50p includes refreshments.

<u>Facebook</u> Please like and follow the Facebook page for our Benefice (search for 'CofE Benefice for Bromham, Oakley & Stagsden'). I will be keeping this up to date with events – so encourage family and friends to sign up too! Many thanks Sarah Smale



Pew Leaflet for the Benefice of St. Owen, Bromham St. Mary, Oakley and St. Leonard, Stagsden 14th October 2018 Trinity 20

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 10.30am and Oakley 9.30am and after 6.00pm Songs of Praise in Stagsden. Please stay and join us.

Ministry Team:

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

<u>Healing Ministry</u> 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 18**th **October, St Luke's Day** at 10.30am in St Owens. All welcome

Benefice Welcome Centre and Office:

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

Please note NEW office times

Mon, Wed & Thurs 9.30 – 12.00; Tues 9.30 – 1.00

<u>Benefice Web Site:</u> www.bromhambenefice.org Information for web site to 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 a service you will be asked to leave quietly by the nearest exit and assemble in the Car Park.

Bromham Brunch

A free, relaxed event held on the second Sunday of each month 10.30 – 12.00 at the Lower School site in Grange Lane.

<u>Please take</u> the **Pew Leaflet** home with you. Items for next week's pew leaflet to Sarah Smale by Wednesday evening (administrator@bromhambenefice.org)

Readings for Sunday 14th October: Trinity 20

Amos 5.6- 7, 10- 15 Hebrews 4.12- end Mark 10.17- 31

Collect for Trinity 20

God, our light and our salvation:

illuminate our lives,

that we may see your goodness in the land of the living, and looking on your beauty

may be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

Post Communion Prayer

God our Father,

whose Son, the light unfailing,

has come from heaven to deliver the world

from the darkness of ignorance:

let these holy mysteries open the eyes of our understanding that we may know the way of life,

and walk in it without stumbling;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

For Reflection

In Jesus' time the Jewish understanding was that wealth was a sign of God's blessing. (Not dissimilar today is the idea that God has chosen to make people suffer poverty & hardship). I don't believe either is true.

The rich man, whom Jesus confronts, looks on his wealth for status, security, freedom & to provide for all his needs. Jesus challenges him: Can he give them up because they hinder his relationship with God. He is too attached to them. Without them, he would learn to trust God and to be dependent on Him for those things – security, freedom etc.

Ask God to reveal to you the things which hinder your walk with Him – the attachments, the preoccupation, & distractions, and to help us let go of them.

Evensong Readings

Psalms 127 Joshua 5.13- 6.20 Matthew 11.20- end

Readings for Sunday 21st October: Trinity 21

Isaiah 53.4- end Hebrews 5.1- 10 Mark 10.35- 45

Evensong Readings

Psalms 141 Joshua 14.6- 14 Matthew 12.1- 21

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:

| Village: | Name: |
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| Bromham | Freda & Raymond , Michelle & Sandra, Brian, Steve, Angela, Marian, Ian, Usher, Don & Carol, Jean, Bill, and Matt |
| Oakley | Lucy, Adele, Elin & Celeste, Katie, Theresa, Maureen, David, Terry, Tony, Barbara, Bryn, Nicky, Alison, Graham and Roberta |

For our Prayers:

- For the Diocese of Rupert's Land Canada
- For the Parish of Queen's Park, Bedford & interfaith projects
- For Catherine, Tim & family preparing to relocate
- For the homeless as the cold weather begins
- For Bromham building project, thanksgiving for generosity
- For all migrants, refuges & all displaced from their country

In Memoriam:

BROMHAM Donald Mason (14.10.12), Stanley Rushbrook (16.10.14), Bill Ford (17.10.15), Kathleen Thomas (17.10.16), Douglas O'Donoghue (20.10.16)

Rest In Peace:

David Greenwood. Burial of Ashes 17th October 2018 at 4pm, St Owen's Garden of Remembrance **Willow Green.** (6 yrs) (Oakley) Wed. 24th Oct. 10.45am at Crematorium

Services for 14th October- Trinity 20

| | 9.00 | Parish Eucharist- Stagsden | |
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| | 10.30 | LEP Service at St Mary's- Oakley | |
| | 10.30 | Parish Eucharist- Bromham | |
| | 10.30 | Bromham Brunch – Bromham Primary School | |
| ſ | 18.00 | Benefice Evensong- Oakley | |

Services this week

| Day | Time | Service |
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| Mon | 11.30 | Messy Church - BROMHAM |
| Tues | 10:00 | Eucharist – BROMHAM BAPTIST CHURCH |
| Thurs | 10.00 | Messy Church – OAKLEY |
| Thurs | 10.30 | Healing Eucharist- Bromham |

Services for 21st October

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| 8.00 Benefice Holy Communion- Oakle | | Benefice Holy Communion- Oakley | |
| | 10.30 | All Age Eucharist- Oakley | |
| | 10.30 | Parish Eucharist- Bromham | |