

Holy Communion

Collect for Sunday

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;
grant this for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,
be the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.

Ezekiel 34:11-16,20-24
(p837 in the OT of the Church Bibles)
Read by Don Barwick

Matthew 25:31-46
(p38 in the NT of the Church Bibles)

Eucharist celebrated by Rev. Christine
Bainbridge
Preaching by Rev. Mark Laynesmith
Worship led by Rev. Christine Bainbridge
Prayers led by Richard Harwood

Songs for Today

Rejoice, the Lord is King

The King of Love

Brother, sister let me serve you

King of Kings, Majesty

Lord Jesus Christ you light shines

We are marching in the light of God

*All are invited to come for communion and prayer.
If you do not wish to take communion, please come for prayer.
If you have any particular need, problem or prayer request
please speak to a member of the clergy after the service.*

Children & Young People

This week is Children's Praise Plus - all children aged 3+ and their parents are welcome to join us in the school hall after the first hymn for singing and craft activities



Christmas Music



As usual we are gathering a choir together to sing at our Carol Service - anyone is welcome to come and join us. We will be having rehearsals on Sat 13th and Sat 20th December - both at 10 am in the church, lasting about an hour and then a final practise on Sunday 21st December straight after the morning service. The Carol Service is on the evening of Sunday 21st December at 6.30pm. We usually manage to get a good group together to sing and we have great fun - do come along! See Hamish or Sue Bruce for more information.

Next Church Lunch is Sunday 7th December

Everyone is welcome, please bring a pudding if you are able



Mount Kilimanjaro

Bill Gothard would like to thank everyone who generously donated to Parkinson UK. "Your support was invaluable and helped me meet my target."

NEWT—Christmas Edition

The copy deadline for the Christmas Edition of NEWT is Friday 28th November. If you have stories, events, photos that could be included, please let Chris Meunier know.



The Reading Bach Choir are singing The Messiah at Greyfriars church on Saturday December 13th. If anyone would like to go, they can get tickets from Selena Peters or go to the choir's website at

www.readingbachchoir.org.uk

Anyone thinking of writing to our link Missionaries over Christmas;
Ali Wilkinson's address is, 'FAO Ali Wilkinson, TEAR Australia, 4 Solwood Lane, Blackburn, VIC, 3130, Australia'
And 'The Galpins, INF Office, PO Box 1230, Kathmandu, NEPAL'

Operation Christmas Child



The project has been a big success at school. The children had great fun decorating and filling their shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child this year. We dropped off 45 gift-filled shoeboxes on Tuesday. Thank you to everyone for being involved. There will be a lot of excited children this Christmas! Together we can make a difference.

Christmas Market

We're having our annual Christmas Market at school on Friday 5th December between 5pm-7pm. If you would like to help out on the day by either preparing for the event, helping out on a stall or helping with the packing up we would really appreciate it.

If you have any question please contact the schools PTFA team by either leaving a message at the school office or email st.johnsprimary.ptfa@gmail.com. Many thanks.





HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**Nikeira Wellington (24th)
Helen Boddington (25th)
Daniel Reilly (26th)
Mark Ripley (28th)
Adam Phelps & Maureen Brooker (29th)**



- Prayers for the family & friends of Louie Sebastian Mendez-Bainbridge and Simon Jones as they are baptised today.
- Prayers for Hamish Preston as he recovers from his heart operation
- Please pray that the Complex Decongestive Therapy which has been proven to be beneficial, can be made available on the NHS in Reading to people like Susan Bicknell who have non cancer related Lymphoedema and who are currently not able to access treatment in Berkshire
- Prayers for Molly Field who has been in Oakwood Ward for several weeks following her fall and faces a rather uncertain future.

Items for prayer and notices

Please give any items for prayer or notices to Rev Vincent Gardner *before 9 am on Wednesday*



Church Diary

Sun 23rd	10.30am	Holy Communion (sung) Children's Praise Baptism
	2-5pm	Contact Centre
Mon 24th	10am-12pm	English Class
	1-3pm	Monday Monsters
Tues 25th	12-2pm	Lunch Club
Weds 26th	10.45am	Cafe Communion
	11.15am	Coffee Morning
	1.30-3.30pm	Oasis
	6-9pm	Cubs & Scouts
Sun 30th	10.30am	All Age Communion

Small Groups



Oasis (Bridget Barwick).....	966 9735	Wed 1.30pm
Richard and Rosemary Croft.....	926 0672	Thurs 8 pm
Jeremy and Rachel Thake ..	987 1288	Thurs 8.30 pm
Judith Lawrence	954 1332	Thurs 7.30 pm

You are welcome to join with any group - please speak to contact/leader

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**Kingdom 4
23rd November 2014
Children's Praise**



Please feel free to join us after the morning service for refreshments

23rd November—Judith Lawrence & Homegroup
30th November—Marion Harwood & Friends

The link person from the Welcome Team today is
Norma Stevenson