

Holy Communion

Collect for Sunday

Almighty and eternal God,
you have kindled the flame of love
in the hearts of the saints:
grant to us the same faith and power of love,
that, as we rejoice in their triumphs,
we may be sustained by their example and fellowship;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
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.

Luke 20:27-38
(page 107 in the NT of the Church Bibles)
Read by Alice Pullen

Eucharist celebrated by Revd Mark Laynesmith

Hymns for Today

Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us

Will you come and follow me?

10,000 reasons

Jesus, be the centre

Take, O take me as I am

Jubilate, everybody

*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



Today is a Family Communion when the children will collect together in the foyer as they arrive for the service. Whoever is taking the service will bring them all in holding the stole, to sit in the front row of chairs for most of the service.

Parents of the youngest are asked to sit behind their child/ren in the front row of chairs.

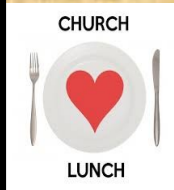
Fireside

a discussion group looking at elements of christianity



Please join us for a series of informal and relaxed discussions exploring what christianity means in the 21st century.

St John's Cafe
Tuesdays 9.45-11.00
until Christmas



Church Today
Sunday!
please stay if you are
able



Taize
Tonight from 6:30 pm
Taize songs, prayers, Bible readings and silence followed by sharing our journeys over tea/coffee & cakes
Come to either part or both


Reading - Düsseldorf Churches Group

2017 sees the 70th anniversary of the twinning between Reading and Düsseldorf, one of the longest established such links.

In August next year members of churches across Reading will again be welcoming visitors from Düsseldorf churches, arranging a week of get togethers and excursions. In 2018 a Reading group will visit Düsseldorf.


Anyone interested in learning more about these twinning exchanges will be welcome at an Information Meeting to be held on Friday 11th November at 8.00pm at St Michael's church, in New Lane Hill/Routh Lane, Tilehurst.

For more information contact Hugh or Judy Fisher.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Monika Ripley (11th)
Harrison Hopkins (12th)



- Prayers for Marilyn (Oodie) who has now moved to the Duchess of Kent, prayers also for Spence and family
- Prayers for Don and Ruth Mason
- Prayers for Jenny Sullivan who used to worship at St John's. She is having treatment at the RBH for cancer.


Items for prayer and notices
Please give any items for prayer or notices to Revd Vincent Gardner *before* 9 am on Wednesday by pigeon hole, e-mail or phone.



Church Diary

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| Sun 6th | 10.30am | Family Communion <i>Followed by Church Lunch</i> |
| | 6.30pm | Taize |
| Mon 7th | 10am-12pm 1-3pm | English Class Monday Monsters |
| Tues 8th | 9.45-11am | Fireside—Cafe <i>A discussion group looking at elements of Christianity</i> |
| | 12-2pm | Jacket Potato Club |
| Weds 9th | 1.30-3.30pm 6-9pm | Oasis Cubs & Scouts |
| Thurs 10th | 10.45 am 11.15 am | Cafe Communion Coffee morning |
| Sun 13th | 10.30am | Holy Communion (sung) |
| | 2-5pm | Contact Centre |

Small Groups

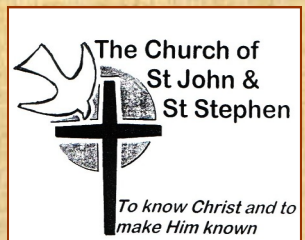


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| Oasis (Bridget Barwick)..... | 966 9735 | Wed 1.30pm |
| Bill & Chris Gothard (Crofts) | 966 3511 | Thurs 8 pm |
| Jeremy and Rachel Thake .. | 987 1288 | Thurs 8.30 pm |
| Judith Lawrence | 954 1332 | Thurs 7.30 pm |

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

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6th November 2016 Kingdom 1 Family Communion

Don't rush away! Please feel free to join us after the morning service for a cup of coffee or tea. We look forward to your company.



6th November—Thake Homegroup
13th November—Oasis Group

The link person from the Welcome Team today
Ian Maynard