



the parish of  
**thatcham**  
St Mary's & St Barnabas

### Thinking of Confirmation

If you are thinking about being confirmed then speak to any of the clergy. Please do not delay.  
The Bishop of Reading is coming to St Mary's on Wednesday 20th March for a Service at 7.30 pm

### Share and Prayer (S.A.P.)

An informal group meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month (10.30 am to 12.30 pm) to discuss various topics and views, with home-made refreshments and concluding with prayers.

For details contact Linda Beaumont on 864223

**Tuesday 12th February—A psalm that speaks to you.**

### On Friday February 15th



Thatcham Christian Aid have been invited to hold a collection in Tesco, on the A4 towards Newbury. We will be indoors.

If you can spare an hour on that day to help, please give your names to Mary Baker or Sarah Bennet, together with the time or range of times you are available. We are hoping to cover from 10am until as late as possible,

### Who's Who in the Thatcham Team Ministry

Team Rector  
**Revd Mark Bennet** 867342  
markbennet@btinternet.com *day off Friday*

Team Vicar - St Barnabas  
**vacant**

**Revd Marion Fontaine** 861742  
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**Revd Brenda Harland** 865064  
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**Revd Leonard Onugha**  
curate.stmarys@icloud.com *day off Friday*

Parish Administrator **Ann Watts** 862277  
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**Parish Office** open Mon and Fri mornings  
9.30 am - 1.00 pm

**www.stmarysthatcham.org.uk**  
**www.stbarnabasthatcham.weebly.com**  
Churchwardens:

Viv Druce	candvdruce@gmail.com	820718
Chris Watts	chrisjwatts@talktalk.net	864567
Glenn Peters	glennpeters@sky.com	869409
Parish Safeguarding Officers :		
Leanne Cox	Children and young people	867610
Ann Dibble	Vulnerable adults	865976

**10 February 2019**

### Fourth Sunday before Lent

WELCOME TO THIS CHURCH

You are all welcome to receive communion in this church if you are a baptised Christian. If you are not baptised we invite you to come forward for a blessing (just keep your hands by your side).

<b>8.00 am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Parish Communion</b>
Reading	1 Corinthians 15. 12-20
Gospel	Luke 6. 17-26

**St Barnabas**  
10.00 am Communion Service

### Collect

**Lord of the hosts of heaven,  
our salvation and our strength,  
without you we are lost:  
guard us from all that harms or hurts  
and raise us when we fall:  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen .**

### Prayer Ministry at St Mary's

Members of the Prayer Ministry Team are available in the side chapel **after the service** to pray in confidence with people who wish to share their concerns, joys and difficulties.

The team also pray for the people or situations mentioned in the prayer book which is left in the side chapel during the week and where anyone coming into the church may add their prayers or thoughts

### Prayer Ministry at St Barnabas

Prayer ministry may be requested after the service at 10 am

### Prayer Requests

The prayer request book is placed on the altar during our worship.

We also pray for those who have died; **Don Albon and Noreen Barrow**

**Children** are welcome in church. Please help them to worship God in their own way.

**Hearing** At St Mary's we have a 'loop', if you use a hearing aid select 'T'

## What's on this week—St Mary's

Week beginning : Monday 11 February 2019

Monday	9.00 am 9.30 am 2.00 pm <b>7.45 pm</b> 7.30 pm	Morning Prayer Parish Office CAMEO <b>PCC Meeting</b> Handbells Practice
Tuesday	9.00 am 10.00 am 5.30 pm 7.30 pm	Morning Prayer Peal Rainbows Senior Guides
Wednesday	9.00 am 9.45 am 10.30 am 7.30 pm	Morning Prayer Holy Communion ABC Beginners Handbells practice
Thursday	9.00 am 6.00 pm <b>7.30pm</b> 7.30 pm	Morning Prayer Come and Pray <b>Alpha Course . St Mary's</b> Handbells Ensemble practice
Friday	9.00 am 9.30 am 2.00 pm 7.30 pm	Morning Prayer Parish Office 'Memory Café' Choir Practice

Saturday  
16 February

## Sunday

**17 February 2019**  
**Third Sunday before Lent**

St Mary's <b>8.00 am</b> <b>10.00 am</b> Reading Gospel	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Parish Communion</b> 1Corinthians 15. 35-38 Luke 6. 27-38
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St Barnabas  
10.00 am  
Worship Service

### please keep your giving under review

contact Chris Watts for further information on  
Stewardship or to start or revise payment by  
Standing Order or Direct Debit  
(01635) 864567 or  
chrisjwatts@talktalk.net



**CONTACTLESS CARD GIVING**  
available on request

### GARDEN WORKING PARTY

**Saturday 23 March**  
**9.00—12.00 noon**

All welcome to a morning of  
light gardening in St Mary's Churchyard



## Other events and information...

**Thursdays 24 January to 11 April - Alpha Course**  
details Revd Leonard Onugha

<b>11 February</b>	<b>PCC Meeting</b>
<b>6 March</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>
<b>23 March</b>	<b>Gardening at St Mary's</b>
<b>20 March</b>	<b>Service with the Bishop of Reading</b>
<b>27 March</b>	<b>Concert: Vivace Voices</b>
<b>9 April</b>	<b>Annual Church Meetings</b>
<b>14 April</b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b>
<b>21 April</b>	<b>Easter</b>
<b>27 April</b>	<b>Concert: Cold Ash Brass</b>
<b>22 June</b>	<b>Priesting of Revd Leonard Onugha at Reading Minster</b>
<b>30 June</b>	<b>Cream Teas at St Mary's</b>

EXPLORE — LIFE FAITH MEANING

### try ALPHA

*St Mary's Church - Thursdays from 24th January 7-9pm*  
pick up a leaflet  
*or speak to Revd Leonard Onugha or  
any of the clergy for details*

### FAIRTRADE COFFEE & CAKE MORNING

Thatcham United Reformed Church  
Church Lane  
Saturday 23rd February 2019  
10.00—12.00

Fair trade tea & coffee, cakes, raffle  
Fairtrade Stall

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT 2019  
25 February—10 March



### C. A. M. E. O.

(come and meet each other)

CAMEO is for anyone, lonely, bereaved, lives on their  
own, or would like to chat...

Monday 2 pm to 4 pm—in St Mary's Church Meeting  
Room to chat over a cup of tea and cake.

### St Mary's Floodlights .

have not been sponsored this week  
To sponsor the lights please contact the Parish Office

### West Berks Foodbank



Thank you for supporting the Foodbank.  
Your donations will help the Foodbank  
continue to feed people in need

Sue Stevenson