

## Please Pray For ...

Brenda Quicke, Chris Brown, Maureen Haynes, Alison Hudson, Sandi Rice-Berry, Darren Thompson, Roy Barron, Olga and her family.

The families and friends of Richard Mumford, of Karen Bird, of Marina Mudkins and of Brian Wheeler

- Our **Home Groups** and **Mothers' Union**
- Churches Together - **Methodists in the Village**
- **Open Doors**
- The residents of **Poultons Road** and **Poultons Close**
- **The Middle East** - for a continuation of the ceasefire and successful negotiations to end the conflict..
- **Gaza and Lebanon** - for a genuine ceasefire.
- For safe passage for the aid agencies taking medicines and food to the displaced, sick and starving in **Gaza**.
- **Ukraine** - The war with Russia has caused immense suffering, with many civilians affected by violence and displacement. Pray for a lasting ceasefire and stability.
- **Sudan** - The country is experiencing severe violence and humanitarian crises. Pray for a ceasefire and compassion for those affected.
- **Myanmar** - Ongoing conflict and natural disasters have led to worsening food security and stability. Pray for peace and support for vulnerable communities.

**Lord, give us your heart for your world.**

## The Next Week at St Mary's

### Tuesday 9th June

9:00 am Prayer meeting - *in the Upper Church Room - all welcome*

### Thursday 11th

10:30 am - 12:00 pm Coffee and Chat  
*- in the White Hart*  
11:00 am - 1:00 pm Art Together  
*- in the Lower Church Rooms*

### Friday 12th

10:00 - 11:00 am Friday Friends  
*- in the Lower Church Rooms*

### Saturday 13th

8:20 - 9:00 am Breathing Space  
*- the meeting room, Overton Surgery*

## Green Week is Here!

Learn more about sustainability in our parish and celebrate all Sustainable Overton do. Lots of activities for the family to join in, on **Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th June**. See [Green Week](#).

## Andover Foodbank

Updated weekly  
Urgently needed:



Rice. Past Sauce. Biscuits. Tinned Fruit.  
Tinned Rice Pudding. Chocolate Bars.  
Scouring Sponges / Dish Cloths.

They have plenty of Tinned Fish and Baked Beans.



# The Benefice Messenger

## Around the Benefice

### Sunday 7th June - Trinity 1

#### Holy Trinity & St Andrew's, Ashe

11:00 am Holy Communion

#### All Saints', Deane

No service

#### St Nicholas, Freefolk

9:00 am Holy Communion

#### St Michael's, North Waltham

No service

#### St Mary's, Overton

10:30 am Sunday Celebration  
6:00 pm Deanery Service with  
Bishop Kelly

#### St Nicholas', Steventon

No service

### Sunday 14th June - Trinity 2

#### Holy Trinity & St Andrew's, Ashe

No service

#### All Saints', Deane

No service

#### St Mary the Virgin, Laverstoke

No service

#### St Michael's, North Waltham

9:30 am Holy Communion

#### St Mary's, Overton

10:30 am Holy Communion

#### St Nicholas', Steventon

11:15 am Holy Communion

## Charlie's Priesting

Charlie Seligman is to be Priested by the Bishop of Basingstoke in a service at Winchester Cathedral on Saturday June 27th at 4pm.

He would be delighted if anyone wished to attend and stand up to support him at the appropriate point in the service.

Admittance is by ticket - not that access to a Cathedral can be barred - so if you would like to go could you please let him know so he can get a ticket to you. You can contact him on 07967 555624 or at [charlie.seligman@outlook.com](mailto:charlie.seligman@outlook.com)

## Rogation Walk

A lovely walk enjoyed by over twenty of us from across the Benefice. Many thanks to Charlie for organising it. There are a few pictures on the [Benefice website](#).

## Bishop Kelly's Visit

Bishop Kelly will be visiting Whitchurch Deanery on June 7th, 8th, 9th & 12th. We will be having a Deanery Celebration service in St. Mary's, Overton, at **6 pm** on **Sunday, June 7th**, followed by refreshments.

There will also be further opportunity to hear from Bishop Kelly at an informal gathering in All Hallows, Whitchurch, on **Monday, June 8th** at **7 for 7:30 pm**. and on **Friday 12th June** for Morning Prayer at St Nicholas, Freefolk at **9:00 am**. Please do join us at one or all of these events.

James

## Missed a service?

If you missed a service but would still like to listen to the sermon, recent sermons are available on the [church website](#). These include an audio recording of the Hallowing of the Bells service.

## Mission of the Month Open Doors

Every day, millions of Christians risk their lives to follow Jesus. In more than 70 countries, Open Doors supports them by supplying Bibles, providing emergency relief and helping persecuted believers stand strong for the long-term. In the UK and Ireland, Open Doors helps the church to pray, give and speak out for those who share our faith but not our freedom.

See their [website](#) for a full description of their activities.

## Children and Families Minister

We are looking for a part-time Children and Families Minister to help us achieve our aim of creating a church community where children feel valued and loved and are equipped and inspired in their walk with Jesus. Full details on the [church website](#).

## St Mary's Overton

**Striving for more of God in more of our lives**

### Sunday 7th June - Trinity 1

#### Verse of the Week

"I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Matthew 9:12b

10:30 am	Sunday Celebration
Readings	Romans 4:13-end (Hannah Smith) Matt 9:9-13, 18-26 (Paul Trotman)
Intercessions	Ann Barker
6:00 pm	Deanery Service with Bishop Kelly
Readings	TBC (Adrian Lewis) TBC (Ruth Williams)
Intercessions	Pauline Wooster

## Church Weekend at Lee Abbey

Grateful thanks to everyone at Lee Abbey and here at church, particularly Annabel, for organising this wonderful weekend. We were blessed in so many ways.

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