

Please Pray For ...

Brenda Quicke, Maureen Haynes, Alison Hudson, Darren Thompson, Roy Barron, Olga and her family.

The families and friends of Doug Delbridge.

- **Test Valley Men** and **The Visiting Team**
- Churches Together - **LifeSpring Church**
- The residents of **Edneys Walk & Mill Mead**
- **Andover Foodbank** - and their work in the local community.
- **Nepal** - Pray for all those affected by the flash foods, the injured, lost loved ones and homes
- **The Middle East** - for a stable ceasefire and successful negotiations to end the conflict.
- **Gaza and Lebanon** - for a genuine ceasefire and 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 one of the world's most severe humanitarian crises. Pray for a ceasefire and compassion for those affected.
- **Venezuela** - The earthquakes have killed over 6,500 people, injured many more and made at least 42,000 homeless. Pray for those affected and the teams helping them.
- **DR Congo** - pray for those facing what is the country's worst ever Ebola outbreak.

Lord, give us your heart for your world.

The Next Week at St Mary's

Tuesday 20th

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

Wednesday 21st

1:15 - 1:50 pm Open the Book at School
- *Janine, Lois, Mike and Celeste*

Thursday 22nd

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 23rd

10:00 - 11:30 am Friday Friends
- *in the Church Rooms*

Saturday 24th

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

Free to a good home

Carolyn, the Kingfisher manager, has a family who are keen to donate a fully working freezer to anyone who needs it. If you or anyone you know of would like it please do let James know (589614 or revjames.overton@gmail.com) and I will pass on your details to Carolyn. The freezer will need to be picked up.

Andover Food Bank

Updated weekly

Urgently needed:



Tinned Meat Meals. Tinned Vegetarian Meals.
Tinned Potatoes. Bags for Life. Tampons.

They have plenty of Tinned Fish & Baked Beans



The Benefice Messenger

Around the Benefice

Sunday 18th October - Trinity 20

Holy Trinity & St Andrew's, Ashe

No service

All Saints', Deane

No service

St Mary the Virgin, Laverstoke

9:00 am Holy Communion

St Michael's, North Waltham

9:30 am Morning Worship

St Mary's, Overton

10:30 am Breakfast Church

St Nicholas', Steventon

No service

Thursday 22nd October

All Saint's, Deane

6:00 pm Harvest Thanksgiving with Bishop Philip

Saturday 24th October

St Nicholas', Steventon

8:45 am Breakfast

Sunday 25th October - Last after Trinity

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

9:00 am Holy Communion

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Kairos Palestine - Faith in Time of Genocide

Kairos Palestine is a Palestinian Christian ecumenical movement. Their document, Faith in a Time of Genocide, is dedicated to the people of Gaza whose witness 'challenges the conscience of the world and calls us to truth, justice, and costly solidarity'. Copies are available at the back of church.

Also, from Christian Aid: "A Just Peace - Israel and the occupied Palestinian territory: An exploration of the path to peace and what you can do".

Caid.org.uk/justpeace Julia Hodgson

Gratitude and Love for All

Time to intentionally practice thankfulness. Shift focus from negative to positive and improve the overall Mental and Physical well being of others and yourself. Help to lower blood pressure, enhance sleep quality, reduce stress levels and boost general happiness by telling family and friends and those who add value to you and community why you appreciate them. Volunteer or support the community as an act of thankfulness.

Pause during the day to notice the many small joys and beauty around us. Listen to God's small voice speak to you in the quiet amid this sometimes chaotic world.

Every Blessing. **Adrian Lines**

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](#).



Mission of the Month Andover Foodbank

We are a community based project using resources within the local community to support people who can't afford the essentials. We receive support from churches, schools, groups and companies across Andover and we work with more than 70 local charities and agencies. In addition to the distribution of food and other items we make sure people can get advice and support so they're less likely to need a food bank in the future.

We also provide work opportunities for local people and have had placements from local organisations.

St Mary's and the Village are proud to support this.

Lou Fellingham Evening

We thank God for the wonderful evening here at St. Mary's last week with Lou & Nathan Fellingham and Rebecca Beese leading a full church in worship, music, stories and testimonies. Such a lovely occasion and so good to have so many visitors from other churches with us.

Breakfast Church Helpers

We need more people to help with Breakfast Church. Could you help with the shopping, cooking, setting up or clearing up?

If you think you could, then please speak to Annabel.

St Mary's Overton

Striving for more of God in more of our lives

Sunday 18th October - Trinity 20

Verse of the Week

'For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.'

Luke 19:10

10:30 am Breakfast Church

Reading Luke 19:1-10 (Alison Peters)

Food is served in the Main Hall from 10:30

Thursday 22nd Oct - All Saints' Deane

Come to our **Harvest Festival Service** with Bishop Philip in **All Saints' Deane**.

It will be lovely to have our Diocesan Bishop join us for our Harvest celebrations.

Time: 6:00 pm. Everybody welcome.

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