



The Stratfield Mortimer Benefice of

St Saviour
Mortimer West End

St Mary and St John
Stratfield Mortimer

St John the Baptist
Padworth

St Mary's Church of England School

St John's Church of England School

Diocese of Oxford

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**Our vocation as individuals and together as the Body of Christ is:
to love the Lord our God with all our heart, with all our mind, with all our soul and with all our strength;
and to love our neighbours as ourselves. (Mark 12.29-31)**
Called to be Christ-like; contemplative, compassionate and courageous.

BENEFICE DIARY 4TH to 11TH JUNE 2023

If you would prefer to receive this newsletter by email, please let us know by sending an email to admin@mortimerbenefice.co.uk.

To be kept informed of our life and worship here, please complete one of the forms on our website – www.mortimerbenefice.org.uk

To maintain the life and worship of the Church in this community and to share and extend the love God has shown for us in Jesus Christ, the Church depends on the Christian giving and generous contributions of members and friends. To set up a regular payment by Standing Order, please see our website where full details are available. To make the most of your giving please use the Gift Aid scheme by placing your donation in one of the orange envelopes, adding your name and address or number or completing the Gift Aid form also available on the website. The Church can reclaim for its use the tax paid on the money given.

The Eucharist is offered daily at 9.15 am & Night Prayer each weekday at 9 pm & the Eucharist each Sunday at 10 am via Zoom. See below for link details.

Everyone is welcome to join with the clergy and to take part in these services. Details are also available on the website: www.mortimerbenefice.org.uk

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions – please telephone The Vicar, Fr. Paul Chaplin 01189 331718.

Zoom link for services <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6931233940>

SUNDAY 4TH

9.00 a.m.

10.00 a.m.

11.15 a.m.

6.30 p.m.

TRINITY SUNDAY

Eucharist

Sung Eucharist

Wedding Preparation

Evensong (BCP)

St. Saviour's, MWE

St. John's Mortimer

St. John's, Mortimer

St. John's, Padworth

Readings for Trinity Sunday

First Reading: Isaiah 40.12-17, 27-end Psalm 8

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13.11- end Gospel: Matthew 28.16-end

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND THE BEREAVED

Christa, Chris, Richard, Heather, Niamh, the Bowyer Family, Jenny, Gwen, Alan, Julia, Terry, Rita, Christopher, Catherine, James, Jay, Joanne, Lucas, Kay, Tom, David, James, Fiona, Pat, Julie, Grace, Alissia-Rose, Rosey, Sally, Brian, Gary, Charles, Susan, Mya, Rob, Sarah, Frances, Eddie, Shirley, Clive, Andy and Sue, Thomas, Dorothy, Nicola, Carol, Roger, Michelle, Mollie, Graham, Delphine, Maureen, Steve, Mary, Joan, Jessica, Roger, Sue, Dennis

WE COMMEND TO GOD WITH PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

R.I.P. Leonard Smith

MONDAY 5TH

9.15 a.m.

12 noon

in honour of Boniface (Wynfrith), bishop, martyr

Eucharist

Funeral for Leonard Smith

St. John's Mortimer & Online

St. Mary's, Mortimer

TUESDAY 6TH

9.15 a.m.

in honour of Ini Kopuria,

founder of the Melanesian Brotherhood

Eucharist

St. John's Mortimer & Online

WEDNESDAY 7TH

9.15 a.m.

10.00 a.m.

Eucharist

Vicar attends Collective Worship

St. John's Mortimer & Online

Schools

THURSDAY 8TH

9.15 a.m.

8.00 p.m.

Day of Thanksgiving for the Institution of Holy Communion (Corpus Christi)

Eucharist

Deanery Synod

St. John's Mortimer & Online

St. Mary's, Burghfield

FRIDAY 9TH

in honour of Columba, abbot, missionary and

Ephrem, deacon, hymn writer, teacher of the faith

SATURDAY 10TH

SUNDAY 11TH

9.00 a.m.

10.00 a.m.

6.30 p.m.

FIRST AFTER TRINITY

Eucharist

Sung Eucharist

Evensong (BCP)

St. John's, Padworth

St. John's Mortimer & Online

St. Saviour's, MWE

NOTICES

A CONFIRMATION SERVICE will soon be held in the benefice. If you would like to explore the next step in the journey & find out more about Confirmation please contact Fr. Paul or telephone the office 01189 333704.

BENEFICE PLANNER Please make sure all dates for services, meetings, events, etc., for the year ahead are in the planner to avoid clashes. Telephone the office or email admin@mortimerbenefice.co.uk

PADWORTH PATRONAL FESTIVAL

Sunday 18th June

5.30pm Afternoon Tea

6.30 pm Thanksgiving Songs of Praise

WEST BERKS FOOD BANK www.westberks.foodbank.org.uk

Please visit the Food Bank website for full details of how and what to donate.

Collection from Tesco Burghfield, Co-Op Mortimer or ring 07955 626621 for collection

Urgently needed: tinned tomatoes/passata, tinned rice pudding, tinned custard, instant coffee, fruit squash, cooking oil, sugar (500g or 1kg)

Short supply: tinned meat meals (curry, stews, meatballs), tinned fish, tinned vegetables, instant mash, tinned fruit, toilet rolls

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL GIVING Please donate regularly to support the Church's mission & work. The church here needs your help in order to serve our villages, our diocese, our nation & our world in the future. Please see www.mortimerbenefice.org.uk

ETERNAL LIGHT at St. John's, Mortimer – if you would like to have the eternal light lit in memory of a loved one anytime throughout the year, please contact the office to book a date – each week £5.00.

Notices for inclusion in the newsletters should be submitted in writing/by email to the Benefice Office no later than the Wednesday of the week in which they are to appear.

*Eternal Lights before the Blessed Sacrament burn to the Glory of God
and this week*

*at St John the Evangelist, Mortimer – in Thanksgiving for the for life and ministry
of Peter Tanner*

at St John the Baptist, Padworth – in thanksgiving for the lives of

Jim and Lillian Stephenson

and at St Saviour's, Mortimer West End – in thanksgiving for the life of the Parish