## ST MARY'S OXTED and ST PETER'S TANDRIDGE

**Knowing Christ | Growing Community | Renewing Our Heritage** 

# Update 16<sup>th</sup> October 2020

"We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers" (1 Thessalonians 1:2)

All are welcome at our services this week:

St Mary's St Peter's St John's

8.00am Holy Communion 11.00am Family Service 9.30 Holy Communion

9.30am Parish Communion 6.30pm Holy Communion 10.45 Outdoor All-age

4.30pm Café Service

Junior Church is on this week at the St Mary's 0930 service - go direct to the OCH.

YouTube - livestream link for St Mary's 0930 service: <a href="https://youtu.be/CpoCwEf">https://youtu.be/CpoCwEf</a> 7I

Please join us during the week if you are able, for Morning Prayer on:

Tuesdays at 9am at St Mary's Thursdays at 9am at St John's

and on Wednesdays at 11am in St Mary's for Holy Communion.

Latest Covid news –. Please continue to pray for us as we manage the advice concerning worship and churches. The up-to-date advice can be found on the Church of England website. For our Junior Church, we are following the National Youth Agency advice, please do check this if you are interested.

- Please wear a face covering, if you are able to and follow guidance given.
- There will be no congregational singing, as this is currently not permitted. Services may feature instrumental music or a small group of singers.
- Holy Communion will be in one kind only at this time.

**Mission Action Planning** – is a really important part of our life together as churches. It is a good time to talk and reflect on our vision, values and priorities for the coming years. Please join us on either of these Zoom calls (breakout rooms for each church)

### Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup>October at 8pm

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81063431785?pwd=QkJGbXNlVU5tZUVydmNFOHBWV zNMQT09 or Meeting ID: 810 6343 1785 and Passcode: 492344

## Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 10am

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81250920800?pwd=MmFRVE4vR0ZJQ21EQ2xDTFhCZT M0UT09 or Meeting ID: 812 5092 0800 and Passcode: 904739

**ALPHA online** - We are joining in with Alpha online! It is a great way to learn about Christianity, to discover or to grow in faith. The course continues this week on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October at 7.45pm on Zoom <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8123611012">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8123611012</a> or Meeting ID: 812 361 1012, (no password).



Memorial Service (weekend of 31<sup>st</sup> Oct/1<sup>st</sup> Nov) – Our annual memorial service at St Mary's will look different this year, with the church open on Saturday and Sunday afternoons. Please join in if you would like to remember a loved one. Full information next week.

#### Things to pray for and about:

- For all key workers, especially those working in health and social care
- For our neighbours, and those close to us in need
- For schools, for teachers, for pupils, for parents
- For those suffering directly or indirectly due to Covid-19
- For our new PCCs, for new members and their ongoing work in our parishes.



**Love Your Neighbour** – please continue to look out for those around you and phone the Parish Office on 01883 712463 if you need help, know somebody who needs help or can offer help.

**St Mary's School** are raising funds for Chrome books for children to use, to enhance their learning and to help build opportunities for children who may not have access to a PC or laptop at home. Please do give generously if you can! https://donatemyschool.com/stmary'scofeprimaryschool2315

Would anyone would like contribute to our Facebook posts on the subject of a favourite hymn or worship song? This needs to be about 150 words or so, plus a link to YouTube if possible. Thank you! All replies to come to <a href="mailto:oxedecomms@gmail.com">oxedecomms@gmail.com</a>.

**Face coverings -** handmade, washable, face masks are available from Catherine Hough. All proceeds to St Mary's Church...recommended donation £5 (or more).

**New websites** – please take a moment to check out our new websites! They use the same addresses, but they have a new and fresh look. <a href="https://stmarysoxted.uk/">https://stmarysoxted.uk/</a> and <a href="https://stpeterstandridge.uk/">https://stpeterstandridge.uk/</a>

With our love and prayers, James and all the ministry team.