

For children and young people

Little Fishes, St Leonard's Church Hall Monday 1.30 - 3pm.

Art, crafts, free play and singing for all-age pre-schoolers.

£1.50 per family includes refreshments.

SmAll Saints, for toddlers and their carers.

Tuesday 10am – 11.30am (term time) in All Saints.

Sunday Saints, for 4+, during 9.15 am Sunday service at **All Saints**.

St Barnabas Sunday School meets during the 10.00 am Sunday service.

St Barnabas Baby Barnacles, 2.00pm on Wednesday every week in term time.

Good Shepherd Junior Church and Crèche at services on 1st and 3rd Sundays.

ACTIVE, All Saints (Senior Youth Group for age 11+) meets on 1st and 3rd Sundays, 7.15 – 8.45pm.

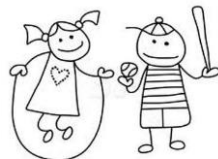
Messy Church by St Nicholas at Kilby Road Recreation Ground, Hockliffe, 4th Sunday of every month at 3.30pm. For further information contact the St Leonard's Parish Office or like our Facebook page Hockliffe Messy Play.

Bellringing Practice

All Saints: Monday 7.30 -9.30pm.

St Barnabas: Tuesday 7.45 -9.15pm

Thursday 5.00 pm (juniors)



Collaboration already happening:

Finally, the Team Editors (there are no fewer than 3 magazines across the team) meet regularly. Last autumn we got together to design an Advent Challenge, raising awareness of the lives of homeless people, and funds for Leighton-Linslade Homeless Service. We are delighted that many of you were inspired to take up the challenge, raising significant funds for the service.

Contact details

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www.allsaintslb.org.uk

St Barnabas, Linslade: Rev'd Dr Bernard Minton; Rev'd Wyn Jones
Parish Office: 01525 371802;

PLEASE NOTE NEW ADDRESSES: parish@stbarnabaslinslade.uk
www.stbarnabaslinslade.uk

St Leonard's, Heath & Reach; St Michael's Eggington; St Nicholas' Hockliffe
Rev'd Noel McGeeney; Parish Office 07502 320025
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St Michael & All Angels, Billington; Good Shepherd, Greenleas School, Sandhills
Vacant – contact All Saints Office but see notice on front page.

Ouzel Valley Team Ministry

TEAM NEWS

February 2017



Better together - Introducing the Ouzel Valley team

If you are reading this, you are probably worshipping in one of the eight Ouzel Valley Team churches. But you may not have known that you are part of a team. Despite its creation 10 years ago, developing a sense of team spirit has yet some way to go. This new look leaflet aims to provide information about what goes on across the Ouzel Valley, in all its churches, what is shared, and where you may be able to find what you are looking for.

The advantage of being part of a large team like this is that no member of the clergy has to do all the administration, spiritual guidance, adult education, youth work, and preparation for the various sacraments and life events which mark our growth as Christians – baptism, confirmation, marriage, death and bereavement, and so on. They can share them, using their skills, aptitudes and interests in the aspects they are most passionate about.

There are also many opportunities for people across the team to meet and share, take part as volunteers or consumers. Each group seeks help from lay volunteers creating an army of support ... perhaps you could offer a little time volunteering, if you don't already. And get to know new people from some of the other churches – creating a real sense of team-work in meeting the spiritual needs of our community.

Over the coming months, we hope to provide a little information about these team-wide activities through this leaflet which will be distributed in all the team churches once a month with your pew sheets.

Finally, we are delighted to announce that Rev Steve Marsh has been appointed as Pioneer Minister for the Church of the Good Shepherd with Pastoral responsibility for St Michael's Billington. He is married to Jenny and they have a 5 year old son named Isaac. Steve has been a curate in the Diocese of Portsmouth for the past 3 ½ years. Prior to ordination, Steve was a car design engineer.



St. Michael & All Angels, Billington



Good Shepherd, Greenleas School, Sandhills



St. Michael's Church, Eggington



Events and Happenings

1st February:

Baptism Preparation Evening All Saints 8pm

4th February:

NCCPG National Collection of Snowdrops 10.00am – 4.00 pm.

Open garden, 127 Stoke Road, Linslade: Admission £3.

In aid of the Friends of St Mary's.

5th February:

New Beginnings Bereavement Support Café 2.30pm – 4pm,
Coffee Shop, All Saints

Candlemas procession, 9.15am and 6pm, All Saints; **Messy Mass**, 11.15

10th February:

Bible Book Club 7 pm, in the Jim Chesterfield Room behind St Barnabas Church Hall, discussing the Song of Solomon (also called the Song of Songs) and Ecclesiastes.

11th February:

Eggington Quiz Evening with Andy Tourney in Eggington Village Hall.
Details from Angela Dyer, 01525 210420.

14th February:

Mothers' Union AGM 8pm, All Saints

25th February:

Men's Big Breakfast 8.30am in St Leonard's Church Hall.

Contact Neil Forsyth 01525 377047 for details and to book a place.

No charge but donations appreciated.

Stewkley Singers Workshop day 10am - 6pm St Barnabas. Learn and perform Howard Goodall's 'ETERNAL LIGHT'. Cost, including music, tea and coffee is £15.

Bring a packed lunch. Performance at 5pm with retiring collection in aid of Leighton-Linslade Homeless Service. Contact ronsims@live.co.uk

"The Amorous Ambassador" 7.30pm St Leonard's Church Hall. A DVD evening showing of the SLAPs play of 2006. Free entry, bring your own drinks and nibbles.

Music from the Movies A concert in aid of Citizens Advice at All Saints, 7.30pm
Tickets £12.00 (including a glass of wine), children free, from the Parish Office.

28th February:

Shrove Tuesday Messy Church 4pm, St Barnabas.

Jars of Hope 'Crêpes' Evening All Saints 7.30pm.

Tickets £10.00 available from the Parish Office.

4th March:

50/50 Auction, 1pm onwards, St. Leonard's Church Hall. Free entry, bidding cards £1.00

Jumble sale 2pm, St Barnabas Church Hall

2-4-1, an evening of Christian Musical comedy, 7pm, St Barnabas. More details from Carolyn Birch. Tickets £10 or free online booking on our website.

Quiet Services

Morning Prayer: Monday to Friday St Leonard's 8.45am
All Saints, 9am

Evening Prayer: Monday to Friday All Saints, 4.30pm

Mindfulness Meditation: Alternate Wednesdays St Leonard's Hall 7.30pm
Please check the website for more information.

Prayer meeting: Alternate Thursdays Hockliffe, 6.15-6.45
Venues vary. Please contact Nerissa on 371615 for details.

Julian Meeting for Silent Prayer: Last Wednesday of the month,
Lady Chapel St Barnabas 4pm

Usual Midweek Communion Services – but check websites!

Monday 9.30am St Barnabas

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7.30pm All Saints (Service of Healing on 3rd Tuesday)
7.30pm St Leonards

Wednesday 12.00pm All Saints

Thursday 10am St Barnabas
10.00 am All Saints (said with hymns)

Friday 8.30pm St Barnabas (Quiet Eucharist)

Saturday 9.00am All Saints

Special Services:

5th February: Festal Evensong with Procession for Candlemas, All Saints, 6pm

1st March: Ash Wednesday

Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes, 9.30am, St. Barnabas
10.00 am, All Saints

Holy Communion, 7.30 pm, Heath & Reach

Sung Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes, 7.30 pm, St Barnabas

Parish Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes 8.00 pm, All Saints

Regular Social Events

Monthly Coffee mornings, 2nd Thursday, 10-12am,
St Leonard's Church Hall;

SMILE Elevenes 1st Wednesday, from 11am, Eggington church.

All Saints Spire Coffee Shop open Tuesday, Friday & Saturday 10
am - 3.30pm.

Lunch Club on the first Wednesday, 1.00pm, All Saints.
Tickets in advance from coffee shop.

New Beginnings Bereavement Support Café, offering friendship,
support and understanding 1st Sunday of the month, 2.30-4pm
The Spire Coffee Shop, All Saints.

