#### St Mary's Diary

: Concert : Beenham Wind Orchestra 7.30 pm 27 April

'Tribute to Natural Wonders of the World'

12 May : CONCERT: Barfield Handbell Ringers 7 pm

19 May : Pentecost

8 - 9 June : 'TEDDYFEST' a fundraiser for St Mary's and URC

6 July: Concert -

'Songs for a Summer Afternoon' St Mary's Choir with Watership Cantabile.

7 July 3.30 pm - Cream Teas

In support of Missions

7 July 6.30 pm -

> **Choral Evensong Special** Celebrating the work of **Charles Villiers Stanford**





## Who's Who in the Thatcham Team Ministry

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### Fifth Sunday of Easter 28 April 2024 WELCOME TO THIS CHURCH

8.00 am **Holy Communion** 

10.00 am **Parish Communion NT Reading** Acts 8.26-end Gospel John 15. 1-8

12 noon **Baptisms** 

10.00 am St Barnabas Church (Thatcham Park School)

### Collect -a prayer for today

Almighty God,

who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us

the gate of everlasting life:

grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires,

so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

### **Prayer Ministry and Prayer Requests**

Members of the Prayer Ministry Team will be in the side chapel after the 10 am service to pray in confidence with people who wish to share their concerns, joys and difficulties.

The team also pray for the people or situations mentioned in the prayer book which is left in the chapel during the week and where anyone coming into the church may add their prayers or thoughts.

The prayer request book is placed on the altar during our worship. We also pray for those who have died. Revd John Hedges, Joyce Gabriel, Kay Gibbs

Children are welcome in church. Please help them to worship God in their own way.

**Hearing** At St Mary's we have a 'loop', if you use a hearing aid select 'T'

Monday

2.00 pm CAMEO

7.30 pm Handbells Practice

Tuesday 9.30 am Morning Prayer

10.30 am Baby Café (at Bluecoats School)

5.30 pm Rainbows

8.00 pm Tower Bells Practice

Wednesday 9.00 am Morning Prayer

9.45 am Holy Communion

10.30 am ABCs

2.00 pm U3A - Mah Jong

6.00 pm Meeting:Residents of St Thomas Court

Thursday 7.00 am Election - Polling Station

9.30 am Morning Prayer

7.00 pm Watership Cantabile practice

Friday 9.30 am Morning Prayer

5.30 pm Rainbows7.30 pm Choir Practice

Saturday 8.00 am Men's Fellowship Breakfast

4th May 4.00 pm Service of Renewal of Vows

# SIXTH SUNDAY of EASTER 5th May 2024

8.00 am Holy Communion
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10.00 amParish CommunionNT ReadingActs 10. 44 to endGospelJohn 15. 9-17

6.30 pm Choral Evensong

10.00 am Service at St Barnabas

Thatcham Park School

# Do you consider yourself to be a member of either St Mary's Church or St Barnabas Church

if yes are you on the Electoral Roll?
Get involved in the running of your church apply to be on the Electoral Roll



### please keep your giving under review

contact Chris Watts for further information on Stewardship or to start or revise payment by Standing Order or Direct Debit (01635) 864567

also

CONTACTLESS CARD GIVING
available now at St Mary's and
DONATIONS may also be made via the website
www.stmarysthatcham.org.uk
PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR CHURCH
JOIN the STEWARDSHIP SCHEME

Speak to Chris Watts (01635) 864567

### Other events and information...

### Make a Resolution to Join In

Please contact the Parish Office (01635)864567

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join the **STEWARDSHIP SCHEME** and support the activities and running costs of this Church

Thank you to all who continue to support the fellowship of St Mary's

The Annual Meetings on 21st April elected Susan Ball, Michael Watson and Sarah Goode as Churchwardens,

We are still seeking a new Treasurer, and Sidespeople for Baptisms

### PLEASE SUPPORT Concerts at St Mary's

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6 July 4 pm 'Songs for a Summer Afternoon'

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In support of the Organ Fund

### Men's Fellowship Breakfast

Saturday 4th May 2024, 8.am at Thatcham Baptist Church

Speakers: Cathy & Lawrence of Oxford Young Steps

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**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2024** 

is from Sunday 12h - Saturday 18th May

In aid of Burundi women's Save and Prosper groups

Please give and pray:

Sunday 12th May 20am Service

Hear Phil Evans from Christian Aid

Collect for an hour in the Church porch

between 10am & 4pm on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May.

Sunday 19th May - Coffee after Church -

make and eat cakes for donations

For further details, please see the Christian Aid Reps: Mary Baker, Sarah Bennet & Steve Rice, or contact Sarah on 07854 469043



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