

## Parish of St. Michael, Tadley (with Kingsclere) and St. Oswald, Burghfield Common

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MASS TIMETABLE					
Day	Date	Feria, Memorial (M), Feast (F), Solemnity (S)	Time	Church	Mass Intention
Sat	8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Dedication of Lateran Basilica (F) - Vigil Mass	6.00pm	St. Michael's	
Sun	9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Dedication of Lateran Basilica (F)	9.00am	St. Michael's	
Sun	9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Dedication of Lateran Basilica (F)	11.00am	St. Oswald's	
Mon	10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	NO MASS			
Tues	11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	St. Martin of Tours (M)	12 Noon	St. Oswald's	
Weds	12 <sup>th</sup> Nov	St. Josaphat (M)	9.30am	St. Michael's	The Landers Family RIP
Thurs	13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Feria	9.30am	St. Michael's	
Fri	14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Feria	7.00pm	St. Michael's	
Sat	15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	St. Edmund of Abingdon (S) - Vigil Mass	6.00pm	St. Michael's	
Sun	16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	St. Edmund of Abingdon (S)	9.00am	St. Michael's	
Sun	16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	St. Edmund of Abingdon (S)	11.00am	St. Oswald's	
<i>Weekday Masses are preceded by 30 mins of Eucharistic Adoration. Rosary prayed after each Mass</i>					

**This Sunday is Remembrance Sunday.** Every year it is observed on the Sunday nearest to 11 November, the date marking the end of the First World War in 1918. It is a day to honour and remember all who have died in wars and conflicts, past and present, in the service of their country and for the cause of peace.

In churches and communities across the nation, we pause for two minutes' silence and offer prayers of thanksgiving and intercession for those who sacrificed their lives, for those who continue to serve, and for peace among nations. We will have a short service of Remembrance preceding our 9.00am and 11.00am Sunday Masses which will include the Exhortation (below), a two-minute silence, & the Last Post.



*They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them.*



## CHARITY THANKSGIVING MASS


**Celebrated by Bishop Philip Egan**

**ON THE WORLD DAY OF THE POOR WE COME TOGETHER TO GIVE THANKS FOR ALL THOSE WHO SUPPORT PEOPLE IN NEED IN OUR DIOCESE AND BEYOND.**

"You are my hope" (cf. Ps 71:5)


The celebration of the World Day of the Poor reminds us that the poor are at the heart of all our pastoral activity. Across the diocese, people are responding to the needs in their local communities, whether through daily actions, donations or volunteering in projects.

We warmly invite you to join us for this Thanksgiving Mass. To help us with numbers, please register using the QR code or email the address below.






**NOVEMBER 15, 2025**  
**10:30 AM**

Followed by some light refreshments



**ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH**  
171A St. Michael's Road,  
Basingstoke, RG22 6TY







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### Alton Day of Renewal

On 22nd November is the last of the ADoRE "PILGRIMS OF HOPE" meetings for 2025. The theme is "PILGRIMS OF HOPE – SIGNPOSTS TO THE KINGDOM." How we can revitalise Parishes to show people the way and share our hope with the lost. Including Mass, Adoration, Praise, Prophecy, Prayer for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and inspiring talk from guest speaker Dr. Hannah Vaughan-Spruce. Register in advance for the Zoom meeting 10.00am-1.00pm via this link: [bit.ly/ADORE22NOV2025](https://bit.ly/ADORE22NOV2025) More information via this link: [www.altonrenewal.com](http://www.altonrenewal.com)

### ARCHANGELS PARISH SOCIAL GROUP

#### **Cake Sale – Sunday 9 November**

We shall be holding a Cake Sale in the Parish Room after the 9am Mass on Sunday 9 November to raise funds for our Parish Christmas Afternoon Tea Party. Please bake some delicious treats for us to sell – and non-bakers, please remember to come into the Parish Room and buy them! Many thanks.

#### **Mingle in November**

The final Mingle of the year will take place in the Parish Room on Wednesday 19 November from 2 – 4pm – please come along to join us for tea/coffee, cake, conversation and laughter. There will also be a craft basket available for anyone who would like to have a go! All welcome.

### Advent Fair

Holy Ghost parish are holding an Advent Fair on Saturday 29th November from 11.30am to 3pm at St Bede's Church, Basingstoke and you are all most welcome. There will be a raffle, tombola, lucky dip for younger children, games, cake and bottle stalls with craft stalls in the hall and cloister, and live music in the church. The repository will also be open. Come and spend for an hour, and raise funds for St Michael's Hospice and the parish.

## Foodbank - UPDATES

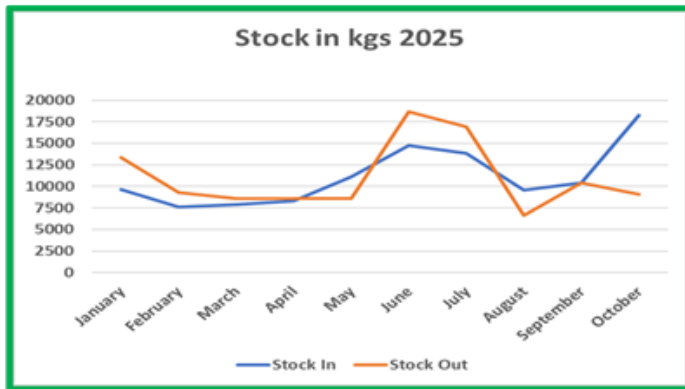
### **West Berks Foodbank writes:**

Over September and October, the Harvest donations received from churches, schools and the community weighed over 12 tonnes. The graph shows this clearly. THANK YOU!

We are at the start of the cold winter months. This is the most difficult season for people on low income who may be facing the choice between food and heating.

For further news & idea about how to support the WB Foodbank during Advent, including the popular "Reverse Advent Calendar" please take a look at their website via this link: [News | West Berks Foodbank](#)

We ask that donations are taken to the warehouse before **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December** – the warehouse will be closed over Christmas.



### **West Berks Foodbank Jobs:**

The WB Foodbank is looking to hire a **Communications and Compliance Manager**

For details contact:

[hr@westberks.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:hr@westberks.foodbank.org.uk)

In addition, there are many volunteer opportunities available:

[hr@westberks.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:hr@westberks.foodbank.org.uk)

This week we're also showing a photo of the donations at St. Oswald's for the **West Berks Foodbank** (& a lot more food was added after the photo was taken!). A big thanks you to everyone who contributed & to Mel Stevens for the photo.



We also now have formal confirmation from the Admin Team at the **Basingstoke Foodbank** that the final total of our donations at St. Michael's has increased to a whopping 126kg! Once again, well done to all who were able to contribute!



## **CHURCHES TOGETHER AROUND TADLEY (CTAT)**

### **Report on Blazing Lights Party and St Mary's Light Plans**

The CTAT Blazing Lights Party held on Thursday 30 October, was a great success with 37 children attending, along with some of their parents. There were three zones of activities: craft, glo sticks and campfire. The children enjoyed making fireflies. Sam Dunn, the Youth Pastor of the Community Church, reported it had been a powerful witness of light in darkness.

On 31 October, St Mary's Church, Tadley, lit up their Church Tower and their Labyrinth from 5pm - 7pm, creating a Beacon of Light amidst the darkness of Halloween. Owing to the weather, the free hot chocolate, which had been advertised as available outside, had to move inside the Church -140 cups were served!

### **Ladies' Breakfast this Saturday 8 November**

Our guest speaker will be Gemma Rowlands from the Tadley & District Branch of The Royal British Legion on the theme of Remembrance. NB: There will be no Ladies' Breakfast in December.

### **Acts and Service of Remembrance 2025**

On Sunday 9 November, there will be the Royal British Legion & CTAT Service of Remembrance beginning outside at the Tadley War Memorial at 2.50pm and then continuing inside St Paul's Church, The Green, RG26 3PB. There will also be a Messy Church Remembrance at St Paul's at 10am and Acts of Remembrance at the village War Memorials: Silchester at 10.45am; Baughurst at 10.50am; and St Luke's, Pamber Heath at 10.50am.

### **Meeting for Volunteers on 22 November to help with CTAT Christmas Day Event**

We still need volunteers please to help with setting up (Christmas Eve afternoon and/or Christmas Day morning) or offers of transport, or food preparation and/or serving, or organising entertainment or hosting guests. To register as a volunteer, please complete the online form on the CTAT website at:

<https://ctat.churchsuite.com/events/xf0avmrs> or contact Mary Lee for a paper form by calling or texting her on 07821 254100 or email: [maryt.lee@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:maryt.lee@yahoo.co.uk)

The next meeting for volunteers will be on Saturday 22 November at the URC's Immanuel Centre, Main Road, Tadley, RG26 3NJ, at noon for anyone interested in finding out more about helping in some way and for roles to be assigned. Many thanks.

### **Guests wishing to book to attend the Christmas Day Event**

There will be fun, games, quiet areas and Christmas Lunch at the Ambrose Allen Centre, Tadley from 11.30am to 4pm. This is a free event, but advance booking is required. Transport can be provided, subject to volunteers being available to ferry guests. To book or for more information, please call 07471 848508 or email:

[tadleychristmasday@gmail.com](mailto:tadleychristmasday@gmail.com) or register online at: <https://ctat.churchsuite.com/events/kziuxpi8>

### **Tickets on sale for the Christchurch Players Panto**

The panto this year at Tadley Common Methodist Church, RG26 4HN, will be 'A Christmas Carol' with shows on 28/29 November and 5/6 December. Performances on Fridays start at 7pm and on Saturdays at 5pm. Tickets cost £8.50, Under 12s: £6. To book, call 0333 666 3366 or go to: [www.ticketsource.co.uk/christchurch-players](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/christchurch-players)

### **Festival of Christmas Stars**

Many thanks to those who have been knitting, crocheting or stitching Christmas Stars for the Festival in December – more are needed, so please keep going! The Festival will take place from Friday 12 December, 2pm to 7pm, to Saturday 13 December, 10am to 5pm, at Tadley Common Methodist Church, Newchurch Road, RG26 4HN with the Stars being blessed at their morning service on Sunday 14 December, ahead of their 'Appearance' around Tadley. The Festival will be set up from the afternoon of Thursday 11 December to the Friday morning, so if you are making Stars, please arrange to give them to Tracy Bennett in time for them to be tagged with information about CTAT churches. Many thanks.

Volunteers to help with setting up the Festival on 11/12 December or helping with refreshments on 12/13 December would be greatly welcomed – please let Mary Lee know if you can help: please call 07821 254100 or email: [maryt.lee@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:maryt.lee@yahoo.co.uk)

### **Volunteers to help with the Appearance of the Stars in Tadley**

If you would like to help with the Appearance of the Stars at 6am on Tuesday 16 December or Wednesday 17 December, followed by breakfast, please contact Mary Lee by calling 07821 254100 or emailing: [maryt.lee@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:maryt.lee@yahoo.co.uk)