

## **ST SWITHUN'S CHURCH HYMNATHON**

### **St Swithun's Church Hall Kitchen Roof is poorly!**

St Swithun's Church is holding a 24 Hour Hymnathon commencing 9 am on Saturday 21st May through to 9 am on Sunday 22nd May to raise money to repair the Church Hall Roof

The programme is being finalised and we are hoping to include various musical contributions running over the 24 hours!

Do make a note in your diary, pop in and stay as long as you like - all welcome!

You can join in the singing or just listen. We hope to see you there!

Watch St Swithun's web site (<http://www.stswithunskennington.org/>) and local notice boards for more details

Copies of the various rotas are now displayed in Church on the blue notice board in the Vestry. If you have swapped your role with someone, please can you change it on the paper copy AND let Emma know for the weekly email reminder. Thank you.

Men's breakfast on Sat 28 May at 8am in Church Room - speaker Martin Cooper on issues of second half of life. Please let Charlie, Phil or Tony know if you are coming.

### **Festival of Prayer**

At Ripon College, Cuddesdon  
Saturday 18th July 10am to 4.30 pm  
Have a look at the website

[www.brfonline.org.uk/festival-of-prayer/](http://www.brfonline.org.uk/festival-of-prayer/)  
For those who haven't been before, the day is peaceful, inspiring and thought provoking.

If you have any items for the **June Newsheet**, please make sure that you get the information to Emma Moore ([e39moore@virginmedia.com](mailto:e39moore@virginmedia.com) or 01235 550885) by **Friday 20th May**.

### **OUR WEBSITE**

All events will be on our website where you will find up-to-date information. With the newsheet changing to monthly, that is where changes will be noted or on the notice board at the back of Church. If you have any notices that people need to know about, Iain can upload the information on the website. Please email him on [iain.winton@gmail.com](mailto:iain.winton@gmail.com)

### **ADVANCE NOTICE**

This year's Kid's Club will be Weds 31<sup>st</sup> August, Thurs 1st Sept and Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept. Please make a note in your diary and any volunteers to help will be very welcome. More information next month.

### **Useful phone numbers:**

Revd Pam McKellen & Vicarage 01235 554739

### **Wardens:**

Iain Winton 01235 200915 / 07876713842

### **Church Room Bookings:**

Gill Dean - Email preferably please  
[gilldean50@gmail.com](mailto:gilldean50@gmail.com) or 01235 202973.



St James the Great, Radley

MAY 2016



### **MAY SERVICES AND READINGS**

Sun 1st May	6th Sunday after Easter	MESSY CHURCH Genesis 25 1-11 Hebrews 11: 8-19
Sun 8th May	7th Sunday after Easter	Acts 16: 16-34 John 17: 20-end
Sun 15th May	Pentecost	Acts 2: 1-21 John 14:8-17
Sun 22nd May	Trinity Sun- day	Prov 8: 1-4, 22-31 John 16: 12-15
Sun 29th May	1st Sunday after Trinity	1 Kings 8:22-23, 41-43 Luke 7: 1-10

### **'Joseph and his Amazing Coat'**



### **RADLEY**

On the first Sunday of the  
month, 11.00am at the  
Church

Home Groups continue in May on Tues and Wed evenings, and Thurs morning and evening. We are looking at the fascinating book of Esther. Please contact Pam or Tony if you are interested in joining.

### **SERVICES DURING THE MONTH**

**8am**

Holy Communion

**11am**

1st Sunday - Messy Church

Other Sundays - Holy Communion and  
Sunday Club

**6pm**

1st Sunday - Holy Communion

2nd Sunday - Reflect@6

3rd Sunday - Evensong

4th Sunday - Iona

If there is a 5th Sunday - Songs of Praise (at  
one of the three Churches)

There will be NO Songs of Praise in May but  
instead there will be a Quiet Service at  
St James' at 6pm - All Welcome

### **Sunday 1st May - 8am Service**

Weather permitting, this service will be  
held outside to celebrate May Morning.

### **CRECHE for the 11am service**

Just come along or contact Katie North on  
532203

Please join us for coffee in the Church  
Room after the 11am service.

If in our communion service you would like  
to receive:

Non-alcoholic wine  
Gluten free wafers or  
in your seat rather than coming forward.  
Please inform one of the sidespeople.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONS:**



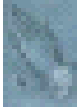
Please pray for the family of Asad Shah, in Glasgow. He was murdered, apparently by another Muslim, after he posted this on Facebook: "Good Friday and very happy Easter, especially to my beloved Christian nation." Pray that his generous spirit might be a light for us all.

Let us pray for Mary's Meals as they begin feeding Syrian refugee children in Lebanon in their first ever feeding programme in the Middle East



Following the Easter Sunday massacres in a Lahore park, please pray for mission partners Freda Carey and Rachel Ullmer working with families, from all communities, whose relatives suffered. Pray that religious, government and community leaders in Pakistan can collaborate to deal with extremism, that Christians will be strong and gracious in action, supported by their Lord And by Christians worldwide.

**Please remember in your prayers:**



Helen Beckett, Jennie Deane, John Eddy, Rosemary Hardwick, Margaret Higgs, Katy Homewood, Nancy Homewood, Sue Kiff, Betty Lee, Harry Price and Christine Usherwood

In our Year's Mind - May	
16	Madeleine Savage
19	Ivor Hayne
20	Martha Tolputt
22	Audrey Humphries
22	Hedley Brown
30	Doris Robinson

**Have you already made a will?**

.....and have now thought about leaving a legacy in that will to St James the Great, Radley? If you have, then you will need to discuss it with a solicitor. If you would like to talk to someone about it, Stephen Ewens, a local solicitor with HMG LAW LLP Solicitors in Oxford and a member of our Church, would be happy to answer your questions and give you advice before adding a codicil to your original will free of charge. We are very grateful that Stephen has agreed to help us help you. If you would like to consider this, please contact Stephen directly on 01865 244661 or [stephen.ewens@hmg-law.co.uk](mailto:stephen.ewens@hmg-law.co.uk)

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**In Church:**

Every Thurs 8.50am - Morning Prayer  
 Every Sat 8.45 - 9.15am - A Time for Prayer  
 Sun 1st May 11am - Messy Church  
 Sun 8th May 5.30 for 6pm - Reflect@6 - 'A Festival of Music' by Stephen Clarke  
 Sun 15th May- Foodbank collection

**In the Church Room:**

Every Fri 10am Noon - Café Radley.  
 Wed 18th May Midday - Luncheon Club  
 Wed 18th May 7.30pm - Prayer Shawl Ministry  
 Sat 28th May 8.00am - Men's Breakfast

**Other Venues**

Sun 1st May 8am - Outside service to celebrate May Morning  
 Sat 21st - Sun 22nd May - Hymnathon at St Swithun's Church, Kennington

**Future Dates**

Wed 31st Aug - Fri 2nd Sept - Kid's Club

**Weekly Collection Plate**

We stopped handing round the Collection Plate during our services in January but as a result we have noticed a decrease in the weekly collection. This is to remind you that donations or envelopes can be placed on the plate when you arrive for the service or as you leave. The plate will be taken up to the Altar for a prayer of thanks during the service.

At the PCC AGM on April 13th, David Mann stood down as Churchwarden but he will continue to worship at St James'. He was thanked for all his hard work over the last year. We are now a warden down and so we ask you to pray for the right person to take on this role alongside Iain Winton. Equally if it is a role you might be interested in, please speak to Pam or Iain to find out what is involved.



**A Festival of Music**

by Stephen Clarke,  
 Precentor and Director of Music at Radley College

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2016**  
 at 6pm  
 in Radley Church

Refreshments from 5.30 pm. All welcome