

RETHINK LAUNCH DAY

Saturday, 6th October, 9 am-12.30 pm
Colston Hall, Gerrards Cross

Join us for an inspiring morning to launch our Rethink Week from 21-25 November. Becky Pippert will speak about "How can we reach our friends and colleagues for Jesus." [Sign up on the list at the back of church or at \[www.eventbrite.co.uk\]\(http://www.eventbrite.co.uk\) \(search 'Rethink'\)](#)

"Exploring Worship": A three-part interactive course for everyone: continues 4th and 11th October, 8-9.30pm

This course is for everyone who wants to understand, explore and help to develop our worship. We will explore what it means to be a *worshipper*, the relationship between worship and mission, and how we can continue to develop our worship here in Denham. *Participants are also invited to join the choir rehearsal from 7pm. To sign up, please contact our church office or put your name down on the list at the back of church.*

Decorating Church for Harvest.

We will be decorating the church on Friday 5th October from 10am for Harvest service. Please contact Carole Wadlow on 01753 887672 if you are able to spare some time and help with the decorating.

Did you miss St Mary's Festival?

You can listen to the [interview with Fiona Castle](#) and [Christoph's vision update](#) on our website (go to "Resources").

HARVEST GIFTS FOR SUNDAY 7 OCT:

Supermarket vouchers are a great alternative to food gifts and can bless people in need! We will deliver them to people in our parish and to foodbanks / Citizens Advice in our area. Our local Co-op is now offering vouchers, too - an excellent option for recipients in Denham Green.

WEEKLY DIARY

Monday 1st October

10.00am Lifegroup for Women.
The Rectory

8.00pm Lifegroup.
The Rectory

Tuesday 2nd October

10.00am Service with Discussion Group
St Francis Chapel

7.45pm PCC Meeting
St Francis Chapel

Wednesday 3rd October

10.00am Little Lions Toddler Group.
St Mark's

Thursday 4th October

10.00am Holy Communion. BCP.
St Mary's Vestry

8.00pm "Exploring Worship"
The Vestry

HARVEST THANKSGIVING:

Sun 7th October

10.30 am:
Family Service for all ages

3.30 pm:
Special Café Church with Harvest Tea
(replacing the Harvest Supper this year).

Remembrance 100. Please pick up a daily prayer guide for this week from the back of church or download it at www.remembrance100.co.uk/100-days/

Join in and help us to complete our **100 Poppies Banner for Remembrance Sunday!** Speak to Edda today to find out more.

Church members are invited to join a short service to **bury the ashes of Wendy Cope-Jennings** after this service.



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Weekly News Sheet

30th September 2018
17th Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to church! If you are here for the first time or visiting, please say hello to the service leader or a member of the welcome team so we can welcome you personally. During the 10.30 service there is Sunday club for children. If your child is under three or if you would like to help him/her settle, you are welcome to join in.
Christoph Lindner, Rector

News from Samuel Kpagheri (Wycliffe Bible Translators)

One of our five mission partners here at Denham Parish Church is **Wycliffe Bible Translators**. Through them we support Samuel Kpagheri in Togo. The congregation at St Mark's have supported Samuel for a while and we have now adopted his work with *Wycliffe* as a whole church. Joan Bell is our link person ('champion'). Recently Samuel has written to her:



"Dear Joan,

Greetings from Atakpame, a town about 260 km away from the place I live. I am here to check the books of Hosea and Zephaniah with a translation project of a language spoken there.

With my multiple trips in Togo, in Benin and in other countries in West Africa with my small and old car, we noticed that this car has been very useful, but we also noticed that it becomes difficult for long drives. So we negotiated with our bank and we have been granted a loan to buy a strong car. Leontine and I decided to take this step of faith in order to facilitate the ministry of the Bible translation activities within other translation projects. It seems that God is always faithful to his servants.

He answered our prayers. In this month statement, I noticed that an important gift has been sent to us by Denham Parish Church. We are very grateful to God and to your Church for the gift. You will find in the attached the picture of this car

And our God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

In Christ,
Leontine & Samuel KPAGHERI

Worship today



30th September 18th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion *St Mary's*

Sidesman: Philip Constable

Reader: Alison Barrett

Readings: 1 Cor 1. 4-8
Matt. 22. 34-end

9.55-10.00 Pre-service Prayer
St Mary's, front of church

10.30am Morning Worship
St Mary's with Sunday club for children
Sidesmen: Sharon Williams & Victoria Lucas

Readings and readers:
James 5. 13-end Pam Montgomery
Mark 9. 38-end Caroline Ashcroft
Prayers: Carole Wadlow
Sunday Club Leader: Sonja Clements

12.15pm Burial of Ashes
Wendy Cope-Jennings. *St Mary's*

4.00pm Messy Church for Families.
St Mark's Hall. "Heroes of Faith"

Collect

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Baptism of Finley Joshua Denis Sheppy

Faith is the gift of God to his people.
In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling.
People of God, will you welcome Finley and uphold him in his new life?
With the help of God we will.

Profession of Faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?
I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The Baptism

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ, against sin, the world, and the devil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.

The Welcome

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
Finley, by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

We welcome you into the fellowship of faith; we are children of the same heavenly Father; we welcome you.

Mark 9. 38-end

³⁸ John said to him, 'Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.' ³⁹ But Jesus said, 'Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterwards to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰ Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹ For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

⁴² 'If any of you put a stumbling-block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³ If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵ And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell.' ⁴⁷ And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸ where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

⁴⁹ 'For everyone will be salted with fire.

⁵⁰ Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Worship next week



7th October Harvest Thanksgiving 19th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion *St Mary's*

Sidesman: Carlene Litchmore

Reader: Mary Gage

Readings: Ephes. 4. 17-32, Matt. 9. 1-8

9.55-10.00 Pre-service Prayer
St Mary's, front of church

10.30am Harvest Thanksgiving Family Service. *St Mary's*
Sidesmen: Craig Alexander & Caroline Goodwin
Readings and readers:
Psalm 126 Charlotte Hearnden Smith
Matt 6. 25-33 Rebecca Hearnden Smith
Prayers: Clergy

3.30pm Harvest Tea at Café Church
St Mark's Hall. Join us for a harvest-themed service with sandwiches and home-made cakes afterwards.

In your prayers this week, please remember **Thelma Mann, Vi Slade and Christine Willson.**
Also anyone known to us who is sick or suffering the pain of bereavement at this time especially the families of **Julie Jones, Alfred Pruden.**

