

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").

Christians Against Poverty on the BBC
On Friday, 5 October, (BBC2, 9pm) the BBC aired a documentary on *Christians Against Poverty*, a Christian charity that has helped thousands of people in the UK to become debt-free. We have worked with them here in Denham. You can still watch it on iPlayer. Here is what *The Times* wrote in its TV section: "A very worthwhile documentary that locks you in from the start. Across Britain more than four million people are in debt. One of the biggest charities advising these individuals is Christians Against Poverty, led by John Kirkby CBE. Here, Phillip Wood follows the charity's debt counsellors as they provide support alongside prayer sessions. Gently, Wood pushes Kirkby about whether the motivation is debt relief or a Christian agenda. 'Anybody helping anybody is a good thing,' Kirkby says, not unreasonably."

HARVEST GIFTS

Thank you for all your gifts today. It is not too late to donate Supermarket vouchers (to our church office or next Sunday). They 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.

WEEKLY DIARY

Monday 8th October

10.00am Lifegroup for Women. *The Rectory*
8.00pm Lifegroup. *The Rectory*

Wednesday 10th October

10.00am Little Lions Toddler Group. *St Mark's*

Thursday 11th October

10.00am Holy Communion. BCP. *St Mary's Vestry*
8.00pm "Exploring Worship" – Part 3 *The Vestry*

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!** Stay for coffee and make a poppy today!

KNOW AND TELL THE GOOD NEWS Starting next Sunday

A three-part sermon series in preparation for "Rethink": (1) What is the Good News? (2) Why should we share it? (3) How can we share it? Catch up on all talks on our website (Click on "Resources")

RETHINK PRAYER

God our Redeemer, in Jesus Christ you brought good news for everyone. We pray for *RETHINK* - for your blessing and guidance in all our preparations, for boldness to invite others, and for rich fruit as many begin a new journey of faith or deepen their faith in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



PAROUSIA

Weekly News Sheet

7th October 2018

19th Sunday after Trinity
Harvest Thanksgiving

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

SHOC: 'Slough Homeless Our Concern'

We're in Denham so why SHOC? The simple answer is homelessness is everywhere, just because it's not visible, doesn't mean we don't have homeless people in our midst. The reasons men and women are homeless are many and varied and believe it or not, the majority are not due to drug or alcohol abuse but to changes in circumstances; falling behind with the rent, divorce / separation or mental health issues, often all three. SHOC provides not only hot food and clothing, washing facilities and bedding but also arranges access to health, and social services, help with preparing CV's and where possible, housing in shared accommodation. The aim is always to help their guests rejoin society with a new sense of dignity and self worth.

So, what difference can we make?

SHOC need volunteers! People who can: spare an hour or two preparing and serving meals, sorting clothing, helping prepare CV's or offering support and chatting with guests. You could bake a cake or donate jumpers, jackets, jeans (especially for men) or new underwear and socks, towels, toiletries or sleeping bags. Knitters can help too by recycling old, no longer wearable knitwear (preferably dark colours) into hats and scarves.

Sponsor: Trinity's The Big SleepOut 2018, 30 Nov 2018

Caroline and Clive Ashcroft (our Denham Parish Trinity/SHOC champions) will be braving the elements and sleeping out to help raise funds for SHOC. They are committed to raising £250 each to take part.

If you would like to support them please go to their Just Giving page at: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Caroline-Ashcroft1> or give them a cheque made out to 'SHOC'. To find out more, please talk to them or contact them at casandclive@hotmail.co.uk. Thank you!

TRINITY (with SHOC) is one of our five mission partners.

Find out more at www.wearetrinity.org.uk

Worship today



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:

Luke 12.22-32 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.

Collect

Creator God, you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons; as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Luke 12:22-32

²² Then, turning to his disciples, Jesus said, "That is why I tell you not to worry about everyday life—whether you have enough food to eat or enough clothes to wear. ²³For life is more than food, and your body more than clothing. ²⁴Look at the ravens. They don't plant or harvest or store food in barns, for God feeds them. And you are far more valuable to him than any birds! ²⁵Can all your worries add a single moment to your life? ²⁶And if worry can't accomplish a little thing like that, what's the use of worrying over bigger things?

²⁷ "Look at the lilies and how they grow. They don't work or make their clothing, yet Solomon in all his glory was not dressed as beautifully as they are. ²⁸And if God cares so wonderfully for flowers that are here today and thrown into the fire tomorrow, he will certainly care for you. Why do you have so little faith?

²⁹ "And don't be concerned about what to eat and what to drink. Don't worry about such things. ³⁰These things dominate the thoughts of unbelievers all over the world, but your Father already knows your needs. ³¹Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and he will give you everything you need.

³² "So don't be afraid, little flock. For it gives your Father great happiness to give you the Kingdom.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Baptism of Jack Dylan Howells

Presentation of the Candidate

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 Jack and uphold him in his new life?
With the help of God we will.

Profession of Faith

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

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

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: Jack, 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.

Worship next week



14th October 20th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion *St Mary's*

Sidesman: Philip Constable

Reader: Stephen Barrett

Readings: Ephes. 5.15-21
Matt. 22. 1-14

9.55-10.00 Pre-service Prayer

St Mary's, front of church

10.30am Sung Communion. *St Mary's* with Sunday club for children and 'Destiny' for older children

Know and Tell:

What is so good about the good news?

Sidesmen: Cathy Macqueen & Maurice Litchmore

Readings and readers:

Romans 1.1-5 Sandy Wickenden
Mark 10. 17-31 Sam Carter

Prayers: Ann Collins

Servers: Michael Carmody & Carlene Litchmore

In your prayers this week, please remember **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.**

