

# ST MARY'S OXTED and ST PETER'S TANDRIDGE

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## Update 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2020

*May the pastures flow with goodness and the hills be girded with joy! – Psalm 65:12*

This Sunday is our **Harvest Festival**. All are welcome at our services this week:

### St Mary's

9.30am Parish Communion  
9.30am Junior Church  
4.30pm Café Service

### St Peter's

8.00am Holy Communion  
11.00am Family Service  
6.30pm Evening Prayer

### St John's

9.30 Holy Communion  
10.45 Outdoor All-age

Please join us for Morning Prayer if you are able, on:

Tuesdays at 9am at **St Mary's**

Thursdays at 9am at **St John's**

**Latest Covid news –** Please continue to pray for us as we manage the advice concerning worship and churches. The up-to-date advice can be found on the Church of England website. For our Junior Church, we are following the National Youth Agency advice, please do check this if you are interested.

- Please wear a face covering, if you are able to.
- There will be no congregational singing, as this is currently not permitted. Services may feature instrumental music or a small group of singers.
- Holy Communion will be in one kind only at this stage, and if you come to a communion service, please listen carefully to any guidance.

**Harvest Festival** is this weekend, please see attached posters regarding donations, and information about the Harvest Flower Festival at St Mary's. Please do donate your shoe boxes if you can. If you are able to help with sorting and collating food parcels on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October please let the office know. If you can help with the rota for keeping St Mary's open on Saturday and Sunday, please contact the parish office – we need people for Saturday lunchtime especially..

**ALPHA online** - We are joining in with Alpha online ! It is a great way to learn about Christianity, to discover or to grow in faith. The course will begin on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 7.45pm. Why not tell a friend, and invite them along. It will be on Zoom; here are the details : <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8123611012> or Meeting ID: 812 361 1012, (no password) details should be the same each week.



**New websites** – please take a moment to check out our new websites! They use the same addresses, but they have a new and fresh look. <https://stmarysoxted.uk/> and <https://stpeterstandridge.uk/>

**YouTube** – this week's service link for St Mary's: [https://youtu.be/\\_xOY-EXIFHU](https://youtu.be/_xOY-EXIFHU)

**The Archdeaconry Social Justice Forum** is holding a webinar on County Lines drug dealing on Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct at 9.30am – an opportunity to be informed on this important issue. To book: <https://rasifcountylinewebsinar.eventbrite.co.uk/>

### Things to pray for and about:

- For all key workers, especially those working in health and social care
- For our neighbours, and those close to us in need
- Our annual meetings and new Churchwardens and PCC members
- For schools, for teachers, for pupils, for parents
- For those suffering directly or indirectly due to Covid-19
- For our new PCCs, for new members and their ongoing work in our parishes.



**Giving to the church** – Thank you so much to all those who support our churches financially. Please do consider doing so at this time by standing order, using your online banking.

St. Mary's Oxted PCC:

Account number: 00688746 - Sort code: 20 76 55

PCC of Tandridge:

Account number: 01544847 - Sort code: 30 91 72

**Love Your Neighbour** – please continue to look out for those around you and phone the Parish Office on 01883 712463 if you need help, know somebody who needs help or can offer help.

**St Mary's School** are raising funds for Chrome books for children to use, to enhance their learning and to help build opportunities for children who may not have access to a PC or laptop at home. Please do give generously if you can!

<https://donatemyschool.com/stmary'scofeprimaryschool2315>

Would anyone would like contribute to our Facebook posts on the subject of a favourite hymn or worship song? This needs to be about 150 words or so, plus a link to YouTube if possible. Thank you! All replies to come to [oxtedcomms@gmail.com](mailto:oxtedcomms@gmail.com).

**Face coverings** - handmade, washable, face masks are available from Catherine Hough. All proceeds to St Mary's Church...recommended donation £5 (or more).

With our love and prayers, James and all the ministry team.