

PRAYER CORNER Please pray:

*Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
Holy is the name of God and we pray to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, to bring
peace, mercy, help, to those in any kind of need. Peace and safety where there is
violence, war, abuse, restoration of mind & body for those who have suffered trauma.*

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Praying that one day we might share in the kingdom that is beyond our imagination,
your kingdom in heaven. We pray for glimpses of the kingdom, on earth, among us
and for all, for your will to be done and for us to love, as you love us.

Give us today our daily bread.

We pray for no more than this until all mouths are fed.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

In your mercy Lord heal us from our own failings, and keep us loving our neighbours
as ourselves.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

Lord be present in our communities in Buckden and the Offords, in the care home,
surgery, schools, nurseries, shops, pubs; be present also in our homes, bring
harmony, health and peace, to families, and all who live and work here.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

PCC & Ministry News: PCC last met on 21st June

Ministry & Worship: Special services over the past month have marked Thy Kingdom
Come, Pentecost, the Queen's Jubilee, Trinity Sunday and Corpus Christi. We have
hosted Deanery Synod, visits from Buckden School and activities during Open Gardens.
We are now in the period Ordinary Time until the beginning of Advent

Safeguarding: As previously reported, DBS checks have moved from 5 to 3 years so
there are quite a number of renewals coming up. Sammy Riley, Safeguarding Officer,
will contact those with renewals due.

Building: The new printer-photocopier has arrived and is in use. The replacement
Georgian-style railings have been installed behind the vestry giving a fabulous view of
Buckden Towers (see picture) and the lintel of the tower door has been replaced.

Finance: We continue to monitor our financial situation closely. Please notify Peter
Mount, Treasurer, in advance of any church expenditure. Please pray and, if you are
able, please consider increasing your giving and/or joining the regular giving scheme.
Contact Ian Carter, Planned Giving Secretary, for details. We now have both a
contactless card reader and a giving-a-little account for online donations.

Events: The Buckden Open Gardens event in June was a great success despite the
weather. A fabulous day was had by all and £2,400 was raised which will be shared
between St Mary's & Godmanchester Foodbank.

St Mary's Buckden Church Newsletter: July 2022



Hello, dear St Mary's people,

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly (Colossians 3.16) these are words said to the
newly ordained priests in services of ordination. As I write, on the 2nd of July, and
with apologies for the lateness of this July newsletter, I am looking forward to setting
off this afternoon to Ely Cathedral in order to be present in one of these ordination
services. Wonderfully, in different dioceses, deacons and priests will be welcomed into
the Holy orders, into the church of God. *You cannot bear the weight of this calling in
your own strength, but only by the grace and power of God* (more words said to those
to be ordained). Too true, sorry! So true, I should say. The grace and power of God
seem to be, some days, present through his providential calling of others; in some
action or word of theirs is the missing piece of a puzzle. On some days the grace and
power of God is in his consoling presence, his nearness, and my prayer is a plea to God
to guide and strengthen me. Some days, most of all, I fall silent in prayer, throw myself
into God's embrace, and know that God's grace and power will draw me to him in the
direction he wills.

*Pray therefore that your heart may daily be enlarged and your understanding of the
Scriptures enlightened...* continues the line in the ordination service. I cannot say how
wonderful these ordinations are. Seeing and hearing the bishop asking God to send
the Holy Spirit on these servants who will be ordained into the church is a profound
and beautiful one.

Along with other priests, I will be laying hands on William Tupman - of our deanery -
during his ordination to the priesthood, this afternoon.

It is a privilege to be involved, along with others who will lay their hands on Fr Will, in
the moment when Bishop Dagmar will lay her hands on his head and prays that God
sends down the Holy Spirit on his servant William for the office and work of a priest.
By the time you read this we will have a brand new priest in the deanery, and many
new priests and deacons in the church...Deo Gratias! Thanks be to God. Please please
pray for them, and all priests and deacons.

Lots of love and best wishes, *Fr David*

Closing Date for the August Newsletter is Sunday 24th July.

Items by hand to Phil Mowat or by email to secretary@stmarysbuckden.org.uk

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DIARY Services & Events in July 2022

St Mary's is open every day 9am-5pm

Monday-Thursday	9am	Morning Prayer
Monday-Thursday	5pm	Evening Prayer
Wednesdays	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sat 2	10:00am	Cleaning Crew
	10:30am	Coffee & Cakes
Sun 3		Thomas the Apostle
	11:00am	All-Age Holy Communion and Baptism
	3.00pm	Baptism
Thurs 7	2.30pm	Funeral of Harold Cotterill
Sun 10	8.00am	Holy communion (BCP)
	11:00am	Holy Communion
	6:00pm	Evensong
Weds 13	2.30pm	Community Café
Sun 17	11.00am	Holy Communion
	6:00pm	Songs of Praise (Offord All Saints)
Sun 24	11:00am	Holy Communion - guest preacher Revd Ron Ingamells
	3.00pm	Board games at the back of church
	4.00pm	4 th @ 4 – informal all age service
Mon 25	1.30pm	Bible study group (LSR)
Sat 30	1.00pm	Wedding
Sun 31	8.00am	Holy communion (BCP)
	11.00am	Holy Communion - guest preacher from Church Army

For up to date information on services, please check <http://www.shorturl.at/dpGUW>

There is a service at 9.30am in Offord All Saints every Sunday apart from 17th July.

Angel Voices – informal choir. Rehearse 7pm every Friday in St Mary's Living Stones Room. New singers always most welcome. No audition necessary, just turn up.

Online worship, prayer and support

Check any of our social media forums for resources for worship, prayer etc.

Website: www.stmarysbuckden.org.uk **YouTube:** St Mary's Church Buckden

Facebook: "St Mary's Buckden" **Twitter:** @A1ChurchBuckden

To join our email distribution list: please email consent@stmarysbuckden.org.uk

**CHANGE TO ST MARY'S YOUTUBE **

Due to ongoing issues with streaming services, we have changed our YouTube Channel to "St Mary's Church Buckden" from 3rd July. If you had subscribed to the old channel, you will need to subscribe again to this new one. Apologies for the disruption.

Charities: St Mary's chosen charity for July and August is Church Army

<https://churcharmy.org/> Church Army tackles social deprivation on the streets of the UK and Ireland enabling God's love to be experienced through their work as practical evangelists. This is focused on over thirty Centres of Mission and other dedicated projects in some of the poorest communities. By supporting Church Army we take part in this work ourselves.

2nd July
10am CLEANING CREW
10.30am COFFEE & CAKES



FRIENDS IN DEED COMMUNITY CAFÉ
Wednesday 13th July 2.30-4pm.
 Just pop in for a chat and a cuppa / cake
friendsindeed@stmarysbuckden.org.uk
 Transport or 07914 669967 or
peter.mount@btconnect.com

Thursday 28 July at 1pm in Spiceland, Sawtry - Open invitation to come to a 'Summer Sizzler' Full details on the posters in St Mary's. Further information from Chris & Gina (812777)



St Mary's is both a collection point and a voucher holder for **Godmanchester Foodbank**. If you are in need of a voucher please contact Anne Carter on 07779 651974. Any donations of non-perishable food very gratefully received. There are collection boxes in :- St Mary's Church, Nisa Buckden, Budgens Offord Cluny

Sunday 24th July
3-4pm BOARD GAMES
 at the back of church followed by
4th @ 4 - an informal service for all ages. Please come to either or both

If you would like to chat about life, faith, belief, what Christians believe, or anything else I would love to hear from you. Over a drink, over a game of chess perhaps, a coffee, or on a walk, or in church; get in touch with me. Fr David, 07792128503 fr.davidowainsheppard@gmail.com