

# WEEKLY NEWS

What a wonderful time we had at all our services last Sunday. The congregation at our TOGETHER service joined in singing the chorus of Bless the Lord in Cantonese. And there was a high turnout for our worship evening; it was great to hear Beccy Oliver speaking.

This week we are continuing in John 14, through verses 15-21, where Jesus promises the coming Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit might be the single best gift you could ever receive...come on Sunday to find out more!

We meet at 8:30am for Communion at St Andrew's, and we meet at 10:30am at St Michael's and Whitegrove for morning worship with children's groups.



## Road Closures and Delays

There are always roadworks somewhere, but this week we particularly want to highlight 3 roads that could affect your travel on Sunday. You can find an annotated map on our [Facebook](#) or [WhatsApp](#).

- The Bracknell Half-Marathon means there will be delays, including on **Harvest Ride**. Please be mindful of traffic wardens who will assist in crossings.
- Until the end of May, there is 2-way traffic light control towards **Newell Green**.
- And crucially, the West side of **Church Lane** (towards Osborne Lane) has been blocked this week by fly-tipping. We don't know if it will be cleared by Sunday, so we suggest that anyone coming to St Michael's comes from the East side of Church Lane instead (by Malt Hill).



## Meals at the Vicarage

You may remember that earlier this year, there was an opportunity to sign up for meals at the vicarage, so that Guy and Ruth can meet our church family. There is now a set of dates open for the Summer months, so look out for a sign-up sheet that will be around the congregations (you may not see it every week). There will be more dates coming later in the year as well.



## Christian Aid

This Sunday marks the start of Christian Aid week! There are 3 ways we are supporting Christian Aid this year:

- Red envelopes available on Sunday for cash donations, or you can donate on their website: [Christian Aid](#)
- The plant sale at St Michael's – don't forget to bring your plants! (cash and card accepted)
- And, later in the year on **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September**, we have the evening Barn Dance, featuring the Scamping Rogues and including a Harvest Supper.



## St Michael's Cleaning Day

On **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**, we want to spend a morning cleaning St Michael's. Whilst our recent day in April at St Andrew's was focused on decluttering, here we are specifically wanting to **CLEAN** the church, and there is plenty to do! If anyone is willing to help mop, Hoover, dust, polish, etc – please let us know by emailing [admin@warfield.org.uk](mailto:admin@warfield.org.uk) so that we know how many people to expect.



## Afternoon with Yuri and Plamy Valkov

The Valkov family are our mission partners in Silven, Bulgaria. Coming up is an opportunity to meet them and learn more about what they do! Everyone is invited to join us on **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May, from 3pm in the Parish Rooms**, with refreshments provided.



## Pilgrim Hearts – help needed!

Pilgrim Hearts is the amazing charity that works locally with people in Bracknell who are homeless and vulnerably housed, working from several sites including St Andrew's. At the moment they are looking for new volunteers, specifically to help on Wednesdays between 12pm and 4pm at the Kerith where they offer showers and clothes washing facilities, and also to support with holiday cover for catering.

For more information, or to offer as a volunteer, please visit [Volunteer - Pilgrim Hearts](#) or email [pilgrim.hearts@gmail.com](mailto:pilgrim.hearts@gmail.com).

**MISSION PARTNERS:  
ST PETER'S LIFE-LINE**



Our prayers this week are for the St Peter's Lifeline charity (SPL), who are helping the people of Kajuki, Kenya. Watch this video for a [60-second overview](#) of their work.

Please pray for them on the points below. You can find more detail in their [First Friday Prayers](#) (sent on the first Friday of each month).

- Give thanks for recent rainfall. In the last few months, Kenya has suffered from food shortages after a poor harvest last year. But recent heavy rainfall means that the upcoming harvest is set to be good!
- Pray for the sponsored education scheme. SPL currently sponsor over 100 children to give them hope through education – including at universities and specialist schools. Schools have recently been on Easter break and a new term has started.
- Finally, please pray for SPL's funding and budgeting. They recently closed the last financial year, and a basic overview of their finance can be seen in the First Friday Prayers linked above.

We are also happy to say that David Baldwin, our contact at St Peter's Life-Line, will be joining us at our TOGETHER Service at Whitegrove on **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July**. Make sure to come and hear what he has to say!

# NOTICES

Click to see the [full slideshow of rolling notices](#) for this Sunday.  
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Coming up soon:

- **10<sup>th</sup> May** – Christian Aid Plant Sale – St Michael's
- **23<sup>rd</sup> May** – St Michael's Cleaning Day – 9am-12pm at St Michael's
- **24<sup>th</sup> May** – Afternoon with Yuri and Plamy Valkov – 4pm at St Michael's
- **6<sup>th</sup> June** – Afternoon tea to thank and celebrate all those who serve in the ministry of Warfield Church – 3pm at St Michael's

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