### **SERVICES**

### THIS WEEK-1st November

9:00am, Morning Worship, St. Mark's 10:45am, Holy Communion, St. Michael's 10:45am, Zoom Worship 12:00pm, Zoom Communion 3:00pm, Memorial Service, St. Michael's 5:00pm, Memorial Service, St. Mark's

### NEXT WEEK—8th November Remembrance Sunday

9:00am, Holy Communion, St. Mark's 9:30am, Morning Worship, St. Luke's 10:45am, Zoom Worship 12:00pm, Zoom Communion

### **Zoom Login Details**

ID—588 877 574
Passcode—139509
By Phone—Dial 0203 481 5240 enter the above ID when prompted followed by the # key and the passcode.

Please pray for the grieving families and friends of:
Richard Hubbard. Gina Pitchers and Keith

Banyard

Church Office: Mandy Marler - 514774 stmarks.oultonbroad@gmail.com Mon-Fri 9:00am to 1:00pm

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Church-Oulton-103838944389976

### **DIARY**

### Mon 2nd

7.30pm, Alpha Course, Zoom

### Tues 3rd

2-3pm, Open Prayer, St. Michael's

### Wed 4th

9.30am, Holy Communion, St. Mark's

### Thurs 5th

### Fri 6th

2-3pm, Open Prayer, St. Michael's

### Sat 7th

## Sun 8th Remembrance Sunday

3.00pm, Band Rehearsal



# The Weekly Newsletter for the Oulton Broad Team Ministry 1st November, 2020

### PRAY FOR SCHOOLS DAY 17TH NOVEMBER

We are joining in Pray Day when schools across Europe and around the world are the focus of prayer and we want you to get involved.

We will be making up boxes to take into each staffroom in all the schools within our parishes on 17th November and need contributions to go in six boxes.

The suggestions given to us by schools are:

Please use the lists provided and sign up against the item you intend to contribute and then put in a box at the back of the church or hand into the office at St. Mark's by 11th November.

For more information about the Pray for Schools initiative, please visit <a href="https://www.prayforschools.org/">https://www.prayforschools.org/</a>



God's vision for us:
A growing,
Christ-centred community,
led by the Holy Spirit,
worshipping God and
making disciples.

#### PRAY DAY PRAYER WALKS

On 16th and 17th November, as part of the national Pray Day for schools, we plan to hold a series of short prayer walks focused on the six schools in our benefice (Dell, Elm Tree, The Limes, Oulton Broad, Westwood Primary and The Warren School). Volunteers are needed to walk (or drive) and pray for each school. Maps marking the schools and surrounding roads will be available, also our November prayer card will include a prayer we can all use to pray for our schools. Please contact Jill Hunting (518200 or jillhunting13@gmail.com) or Debbie Ilsop (538573 or alan\_debbie@hotmail.co.uk).

### ST. MICHAEL'S PRAY DAY WALK

As part of our efforts to support 'Pray Day for Schools' we are planning to have a prayer walk on **November 16th at 1.30 pm**. The walk will last for an hour and start at St. Michael's Church. There will be stops at Oulton Broad Primary School, The Limes Academy and the new estate and outside the One Stop shop on Sands Lane, if time allows.

#### **TEAM VICAR**

I am pleased to say that plans for the recruitment of a new Team Vicar are now moving forward. The post is now advertised on the Diocesan Website and in the Church Times. Please continue to pray for God's leading in this, that the right person will come to join our Team. Further information is on the Diocesan website: https://www.dioceseofnorwich.org/vacancy/team-vicar-for-oulton-broad-team-ministry/-Helen

#### THE BIBLE COURSE

The Zoom homegroup starting The Bible Course soon! The dates are November 11th, 18th, 25th and December 1st starting at 7:00pm. Manuals are £4.99 and can be collected from the office.

### Zoom login details are:

#### LOCKDOWN STORIES

The effects and restrictions associated with Covid-19 remain, shaping our lives and activities, including our worship. The invitation remains open to contribute accounts of your experiences of 2020—and into 2021. Thank you to those of you who have already contributed. So far, contributions have raged from photos and captions to poems and written accounts. This is an opportunity for us all to leave a small legacy of what life was like during the pandemic for future generations. Please keep sending things in to Jill Hunting—jillhunting13@gmail.com

#### **ONLINE DONATIONS**

You can make donations to St Mark's, St Luke's and St Michael's online! Go to:

www.stmarksob.org/giving/ where there are links to St. Mark's, St. Luke's and St. Michael's giving pages.

### **SHOE BOX FILLERS**

I am sure many of you will recall, for the passed few years we have sold hats scarves and gloves suitable for the shoe boxes and the proceeds have been sent to our friends in Honduras. Helen has very kindly agreed this can happen again this year after the service. They will be available in the hall after the services on 1st November and 4th November. All items just £1.50p. Helen has asked that we remember our social distancing and do not stay for a natter afterwards – it can be so tempting! - Cynthia

### SUFFOLK HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST CYCLE RIDE 2020

This year St. Mark's made £442.00 and St. Luke's made £115.00 for the sponsored "Ride and Stride "event in September.

Thank you to everyone who contributed in any way, cyclist, strider, stewards and our many sponsors, it was a great result under circumstances, but the weather was the best it could have been! I really hope this will encourage more riders and striders to get involved next year. Half of the money raised has already been returned to our church funds. Thank you again and here's to 2021 when hopefully there will be less restrictions. Ros Waghorn

#### **CHRISTMAS CARDS 2020**

At this time of Covid 19 it is not practical to leave Christmas Cards for people at the back of church to subsequently collect, so here is an alternative suggestion: a church Christmas card (well actually two, one for St Mark's and one for St Luke's) drawn by a member of each congregation, members of the congregation donate money to a chosen charity (as the 5th Sunday had not finalised the charities for 2020 before lockdown which charity will be on the agenda for the next PCC meeting) and the donator's name given to Gill Williams (for St Mark's) and Lesley Denny (for St Luke's) so the list can be displayed with the appropriate card before Christmas. It does not matter if more than one card is produced as they will all be displayed so if you are artistically inclined please start being creative.

St Michael's will again have their church Christmas card raising money for the Compassion child whom they sponsor.

-Gill Williams

