



The Stratfield Mortimer Benefice of

St Saviour
Mortimer West End

St Mary and St John
Stratfield Mortimer

St John the Baptist
Padworth

St Mary's Church of England School

St John's Church of England School

Diocese of Oxford

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**Our vocation as individuals and together as the Body of Christ is:
to love the Lord our God with all our heart, with all our mind, with all our soul and with all our strength;
and to love our neighbours as ourselves. (Mark 12.29-31)**

Called to be Christ-like; contemplative, compassionate and courageous.

BENEFICE DIARY 3RD – 10TH NOVEMBER 2024

If you would prefer to receive this newsletter by email, please let us know by sending an email to admin@mortimerbenefice.co.uk.

To be kept informed of our life and worship here, please complete one of the forms on our website – www.mortimerbenefice.org.uk

To maintain the life and worship of the Church in this community and to share and extend the love God has shown for us in Jesus Christ, the Church depends on the Christian giving and generous contributions of members and friends. To set up a regular payment by Standing Order, please see our website where full details are available. To make the most of your giving please use the Gift Aid scheme by placing your donation in one of the orange envelopes, adding your name and address or number or completing the Gift Aid form also available on the website. The Church can reclaim for its use the tax paid on the money given.

The Eucharist is offered daily at 9.15 am & Night Prayer each weekday at 9 pm & the Eucharist each Sunday at 10 am via Zoom. See below for link details.

Everyone is welcome to join with the clergy and to take part in these services. Details are also available on the website: www.mortimerbenefice.org.uk

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions – please telephone The Vicar, Fr. Paul Chaplin 01189 331718.

Zoom link for services <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6931233940>

SUNDAY 3 RD	FOURTH BEFORE ADVENT/ALL SAINTS' DAY	
9.00 a.m.	Eucharist	St. Saviour's MWE
10.00 a.m.	Sung Eucharist	St. Johns Mortimer & Online
11.30 a.m.	Vicar's meeting	St. John's Mortimer
6.30 p.m.	Evensong (BCP)	St. John's Padworth

Readings for All Saint's Day		
First Reading: Wisdom 3.1-9 or Isaiah 25.6-9	Psalm: 24.1-6	
Second Reading: Revelation 21.1-6a	Gospel: John 11.32-44	
Readings for 4 th Sunday before Advent		
First Reading: Deuteronomy 6.1-9	Psalm 119.1-8	
Second Reading Hebrews 9.11-14	Gospel: Mark 12.28-34	

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND THE BEREAVED	
Christa, Richard, Chris, Heather, Jenny, Julia, Rita, Catherine, James, Joanne, Fiona, Julie, Alissia-Rose, Rosey, Sally, Gary, Charles, Mya, Thomas, Dorothy, Nicola, Mollie, Graham, Delphine, Jill, David, Mitchell, Colleen, The Bowyer Family, Anne, Pam, Margaret, Jazz	
WE COMMEND TO GOD WITH PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING R.I.P.	

MONDAY 4 TH	ALL SOULS' DAY	
	Commemoration of the Faithful Departed	
9.15 a.m.	Eucharist	St. John's Mortimer & Online
7.30 p.m.	The Annual All Souls' Requiem and Eucharist	St. John's Mortimer & Online

TUESDAY 5 TH	Eucharist	St. John's Mortimer & Online
9.15 a.m.	Burial of ashes	St. Mary's Mortimer
2.00 p.m.		

WEDNESDAY 6 TH	Leonard, hermit & William Temple, archbishop, teacher of the faith	
9.15 a.m.	Eucharist	St. John's Mortimer & Online

THURSDAY 7 TH	Willibrord, bishop	
9.15 a.m.	Eucharist	St. John's Mortimer & Online
11.00 a.m.	Padworth Parochial Charity meeting	St. John's Padworth

FRIDAY 8 TH	Saints and Martyrs of England	
9.15 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Online

SATURDAY 9 TH	Margery Kempe, mystic	

SUNDAY 10 TH	REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY	
	3RD BEFORE ADVENT	

8.45 a.m.	Act of Remembrance & Eucharist	St. John's, Padworth
9.30 a.m.	Eucharist	St. John's, Mortimer & Online
11.00 a.m.	Act of Remembrance	The War Memorial
	the service continues after at St. John's, Mortimer	
12.15 p.m.	Act of Remembrance	St. Saviour's, MWE
6.30 p.m.	Evensong (BCP)	St. Saviour's, MWE

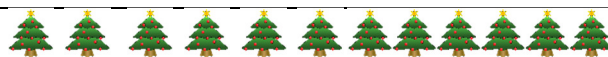
NOTICES

CONFIRMATION If you would like to explore the next step in the journey, please contact Fr. Paul or telephone the office 01189 333704.

BENEFICE PLANNER Please make sure you send to the office admin@mortimerbenefice.co.uk all your proposed dates for meetings, activities, events etc., in order that we can avoid unnecessary clashes.

THE ANNUAL ALL SOULS' REQUIEM

Monday 4th November 7.30 pm at St. John's, Mortimer & Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6931233940>. All are invited to this annual service when we remember with thanksgiving & prayer all our loved ones, family & friends, who have died & gone before us into God's nearer presence. If you would like departed loved ones to be remembered at the Altar at this service of thanksgiving & prayer please email the names to admin@mortimerbenefice.co.uk or telephone 01189 333 704.



ST. JOHN'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR SATURDAY 23RD NOVEMBER 10 AM TO 1 PM IN ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, MORTIMER

The Christmas Bazaar is a key community event for fundraising, fellowship & fun
Donations We are looking for donations for stalls: handicrafts, bottles, toiletries, sweets, preserves, chocolate, items for the home & garden stall, raffle prizes etc. Cakes can be delivered the evening before/on the day. Donations of time & assistance are also very welcome. Thank you. *Churchwarden*

WEST BERKS FOOD BANK See www.westberks.foodbank.org.uk for full details. Collection from Tesco Burghfield, Co-Op Mortimer or ring 07955 626621.

Urgently needed: tinned meat meals (curry, hotpot, pies etc.), tinned vegetables, tinned tomatoes/passata, variety pack cereals, lunch box individual fruit juice, wet wipes, shaving foam

Short supply: tinned soup, tinned fruit, tinned rice pudding, tinned custard, ambient sponge pudding, honey, nappies (sizes 4 and 8)

FAMILY LIST Our Family List of all connected with the benefice is being updated. Please take a form from the back of the church, complete and return it to the office, even if you have signed a form previously. If you wish to be sent a form, please email admin@mortimerbenefice.co.uk. Thank you.

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL GIVING Please donate regularly to support the Church's mission & work. Please see www.mortimerbenefice.org.uk

Notices for inclusion in the newsletters should be submitted in writing/by email to the Benefice Office no later than the Wednesday of the week in which they are to appear.

Eternal Lights before the Blessed Sacrament burn to the Glory of God and this week

at St John the Evangelist, Mortimer – in thanksgiving for the life of the Parish

at St John the Baptist, Padworth – in thanksgiving for the lives of

Harry and Gwen Westbury

and at St Saviour's, Mortimer West End – in thanksgiving for the life of the Parish