

Happy Birthday to ...

Charlotte Lambourne on Tuesday;
Josh Galpin on Saturday

Please pray for:

- Please continue to pray for Steve and Ron and for those caring for others including Norma and Marian.
- Please continue to pray for Tim Beck.
- Michael and Jose Kennedy.
- Pray for our children and young people that they have an enjoyable summer holiday.
- Pray for those receiving exam results and making decisions about their futures.
- Simon Batchelor following the death of his mother.
- Wendy Gillies and her children, Jack and Lucy, as Wendy will have a week's intensive chemo soon.
- For all those at Greenbelt. Pray particularly for those who haven't been to Greenbelt before—including Karen and family and Charlotte and family from the cafe.
- For the Clergy Team as they seek God and make plans for the autumn term.
- Susan Bicknell
- Pray for those who will visit from Trident Ploughshares in the coming week.
- Family and friends of Harry Williams whose funeral was on Thursday.

Items for prayer and notices

Please give any items for prayer or notices to Linda *before* 9 am on Wednesday, by administrator's pigeon hole, e-mail, or phone.

Church Diary

Sun 29 Aug No Evening Prayer today

Mon 30
Tues 31
Wed 1 Sep 3 pm Holy Communion at Weirside Court
Thurs 2 10.45 am Holy Communion (Church)
11.15 am Coffee morning (Church)
Fri 3 3 pm Holy Communion at Tyrrell Court
Sat 4

Sun 5 Sep 10.30 am Worship Together
6.30 pm Holy Communion



Small Groups



Contemplative Prayer (Ripleys).....	961 3034	Mon 8.30 pm
Oasis (Bridget Barwick).....	966 9735	Wed 10 am
Sue and Hamish Bruce.....	966 5925	Wed 8 pm
Ali and Pete Marshall	966 8794	Thurs 8 pm
Richard and Rosemary Croft.....	926 0672	Thurs 8 pm
Jeremy and Rachel Thake ..	987 1288	Thurs 8.30 pm
Judith Lawrence	954 1332	Thurs 7.30 pm

You are welcome to join with any group - please speak to contact/leader

Vicar:	Vincent Gardner (07901 737649)
Community Minister:	Suzanne Knight (day off: Thursday) (0118) 967 5645
Minister:	Alison Marshall (day off: Tuesday) (0118) 966 8794
Administrator:	Linda Wagner (0118) 926 3633

The church office is open on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, approximately 8.30 am—1.30 pm.
Any bookings should be made through the office please.
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<http://stjohnandstephen.co.uk>



Sunday 29 August Pentecost 14

Don't rush away! Please feel free to join us after the morning service for a cup of coffee or tea. We look forward to your company.



This week served by Marian Harwood and friends
Next week served by Chris Jupp and friends

The link person from the Welcome Team today is Steve Lewis

Readings for this morning

Jeremiah 2: 4—13

(page 731 in the OT of the Church Bibles)

Read by Jose Kennedy

Luke 14: 1, 7– 14

(page 98 in the NT of the Church Bibles)

The Eucharist this morning is led by Rev Vincent Gardner

Songs and Hymns for this morning

Teach me my God and King
May the mind of Christ my Saviour
How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
Great is Thy faithfulness

Communion

*All are invited to come for communion and prayer.
We have gluten-free communion wafers available—please
ask one of the Welcome Team either before the service
begins or during the Peace if you require one. If you do not
wish to take communion, please come for prayer.*

*If you have any particular need, problem or prayer request
please speak to a member of the clergy after the service.*

Members of the Prayer Ministry Group are
available to pray in your home.
Please contact Suzanne to ask for this.

Rachel Parsonson volunteering in Romania

This summer Rachel Parsonson will be going to Romania to volunteer at a hospice in Brasov, with a charity called Firm Foundations Romania. They are a Christian charity providing care at a local hospital who look after abandoned children, providing care, time, and love, and where possible returning children to their families in the local Roma community (who sadly often don't have the money or facilities to come and retrieve their babies).

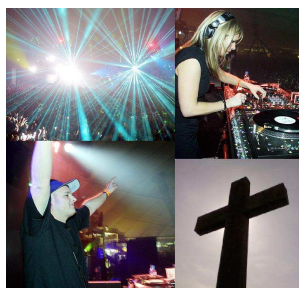
As a charity providing for small children they are always short on money and time, so any donations of toys, nappies, baby clothes or money are greatly appreciated. Their website can be found at www.firmfoundationsromania.com and you can see a short presentation about the work at

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7mB6S6nPo68>.

For more information please contact Rachel by email at adaliani@gmail.com.

Singing day at Shiplake College on Saturday 4 Sept

A fun day for children aged 8 to 15, with or without experience of singing in choirs. The event will be held at Shiplake College and will be led by Dr Gillian Warson. Children will sing music in a variety of styles, ending with a short public performance, to which family and friends are welcome. The fee is £6 per singer and you will need to bring a packed lunch. If you would like to attend please complete a booking form which is available on this website: www.rscm-oxford.org.uk/Singingday10.htm.



'God is the DJ' dance event

Saturday 25 September, 9 pm til late, at Wycliffe Baptist Church. This event is initially aimed at Christian people (18 - 30's) in Reading with a view, if successful, to run similar events in the future and welcome non-Christians possibly.

The event will be a Dance event (House, Trance, Techno

music) performed by a few Christian DJ's. There will be light systems and drapes to give the right atmosphere. There will be visuals aimed at giving glory to God whilst enjoying the type of music the DJ's are playing.

The event is free but donations would be welcomed.

Introduction to Counselling Course

After a relaxing summer break, why not put your energy into something new? Would you benefit from learning how to listen more effectively? You can begin to understand yourself and others



better on the Philippi Trust 'Introduction to Counselling' course. The course will be held at Brookside church in Earley over 3 weekends: 24/25 September, 15/16 October and 12/13 November 2010. For more details phone 0118 966 7422 or email reading@philippitrust.freeserve.co.uk

Street Pastors Reading are recruiting again ...

Are you interested in finding out more about the work of Street Pastors in Reading? Want to chat with Street Pastors and find out from them their experience and stories of being out on the streets? Then come along to a meeting to find out more on Sunday 5th September, 3-5 pm, at Greyfriars Memorial Hall. Refreshments will be served. For more information see poster on notice board, or contact Matt Hearn on 07533 325504 or reading@streetpastors.org.uk

Food for ReadiFood

ReadiFood
Reading's Food Bank
Food Parcels for those in Need

Food is urgently required by Faith for ReadiFood parcels which are given out to people in need in

the Reading area. For types of food needed please look at the notice on the notice board and put contributions in the box at the back of church. For more information see Alison.

Communion Bread

If you would like to be part of a team occasionally making batches of rolls to freeze for communion, please see Jo Laynesmith.

