

**Rota for this week**

Door Welcome & Collection	Ann Battersby & Lis Page
Reader	Douglas Clare
Intercessions	Ann Flute
Elements	Lynne Borrett & Dennis Bambury
Coffee	Mary & Dennis Bambury
Cleaning	Margaret Williams & Sarah Strouts

**Services next Sunday, 11th September 2016  
The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**

9:15 a.m.	Holy Communion	Clanfield
9:30 a.m.	Family Service	Aston
10:30 a.m.	Sung Eucharist	Bampton

**Rota for next week**

Door Welcome & Collection	Janet Wilson & Joy Edwards
Reader	David Battersby
Intercessions	Dennis Piper
Elements	Lizann Murray-Clarke & Ann Flute
Coffee	Jane & Robert Chapman
Cleaning	Massy & James Jamieson

**Please take this leaflet home with you -**

It will help keep you up to date with what's happening at St Mary's.  
Further information about St Mary's church is on our website:  
[bamptonchurch.org.uk](http://bamptonchurch.org.uk) and in the monthly magazine "Contact."

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**St Mary the Virgin, Bampton  
4th September 2016**

**The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity  
(Proper 18)**

**10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist**

**Introit Hymn**      **577 Stand up and bless the Lord**

**The Collect**

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**The Epistle**                      Philemon 1 - 21

**Gradual Hymn**      **457 Hark, my soul, it is the Lord**

**The Gospel**                      Luke 14: 25 - 33

**Offertory Hymn**      **538 O Jesus I have promised**

**Post Communion**

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable for our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Final Hymn**                      **429 Forth in the peace of Christ we go**

## Notices

**Holy Communion** will be celebrated in the Lady Chapel at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday.

The funeral of **Janet Walsh** will take place in St Mary's on Friday at 3:00 p.m.

The marriage of **Kieran Almond and Kristin Luehders** will take place in St Mary's on Saturday at 1:00 p.m.

As we enter Church on Sundays we are greeted with the glorious sound of Church bells rung by our loyal Bell ringing team. Let us pause for a moment and reflect on the work that goes into these wonderful peals of sound. There are myriad rehearsals and performances of these bells undertaken by our St Mary's bell ringing team.

Quite apart from the obvious skill employed there is the physical effort needed to keep the bells in motion and retain the desired peal. This commitment extends also to more than 100 performances at our Church meetings, rehearsals and many local weddings. There are 8 bells in the tower ranging in weight from 5 to 24 cwt.

Let us show our thanks to this long serving bell ringing team who have more than 100 years of experience behind them. The Tower Captain is David Rose and his assistant is Margaret Barnes and they coordinate up to 6 more ringers. They are always on the lookout for new members for the team, which practices on Monday evenings, so if you are interested speak to David and join this jolly team who are doing such an important job.  
*Douglas Clare - Churchwarden.*

**The Friends of St Mary's, Bampton**  
invite you to join them in the church  
for an evening of jazz  
with  
**BEN HOLDER QUARTET**  
on **Thursday 24th November, 2016.**  
*Further information to follow.*

## Ride and Stride, Saturday 10th September.

Join us for **Ride and Stride** on Saturday 10th September, either by cycling, walking or greeting visitors to St Mary's.

Collect sponsorship for any of the above activities. Sponsor forms are available from Andy Drake. It's a lovely day out, and a great opportunity to explore the countryside, discover old and new churches and visit local pubs for lunch!

Please also would you sign up to greet visitors to St Mary's on the day. The sign-up sheet is on the table by the door.

What is Ride and Stride? it's the once a year fund raising activity of Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust (OHCT). On this day churches and chapels are open throughout Oxfordshire and adjacent counties for you to visit and "collect." You can visit by bike or on foot. What happens to the money raised? Half goes to your church and the other half to OHCT, who give grants to local churches.

So ..... Give it a go! *Andy Drake (01993 850218).*

## NEXT Sunday in St Mary's...

**Bernard Rose Centenary Concert, at 7:00 p.m.**  
A programme of compositions by **Bernard Rose**  
sung by a choir of former students and choristers  
of Magdalen College, Oxford  
conducted by Gregory Rose

There will be a retiring collection for  
St Mary's Organ Appeal and  
Dr Rose's Benefaction (for Magdalen choristers).

## Dorchester Archdeaconry - Welcome Service for Bishop Steven

This service to welcome Steven Croft, our new Bishop of Oxford, will be held in Dorchester Abbey  
on **Sunday 9th October at 3:30 p.m.**  
All are welcome, and no tickets are required.  
Parking in Dorchester-on-Thames is restricted, so car-sharing will be necessary.