

# COMING UP...

## FEBRUARY

Christ Church Creekmoor will be running a **Lay Pastoral Assistant Training Course**, taster session 9 February 7.30 to 9.30pm. Sessions on Saturdays, 9am-3.30pm on 18 February, 18 March, 22 April, 13 May, with Commissioning in June/July. Leaflet at back of church or see [could-i-be-a-lay-pastoral-assistant.pdf](#) ([d3hgriq6yacptf.cloudfront.net](mailto:d3hgriq6yacptf.cloudfront.net)) Please speak to Penny for further information.

### Saturday 18 February 7pm at St George's Church

#### Bournemouth Male Voice Choir Concert

Tickets £7 (children free)  
available from Julie S or  
Church Office 01202 660612  
Refreshments available.

### Sunday 26 February Rich Man/Poor Man Lunch

£5 a head  
Tickets available at the  
Beginning of February.

Speak to John or  
Barbara Graves  
For more details.



Home made Marmalade will be  
available next Sunday 5th Feb.  
£2 for 8oz jar.



Skittles Evening - CHANGE OF  
DATE Now Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May -  
Further details to follow



2nd July 2023 10.30am —Michelle Cobley is to be  
ordained at Salisbury Cathedral. Regrettably the  
coach has had to be cancelled due to lack of take up.

## THIS WEEK...

### Sunday 29 January

8.30am Holy Communion in the Lady  
Chapel  
10am **Altogether in the Hall: Christingle**



### Monday 30 January

Please pray for a way to challenge injustice in our own  
lives.  
Palmer Road and 'Pergins'  
7.30pm **Bellringers practice in church**

### Tuesday 31 January

Please pray for all who use our halls.  
Pilgrim Way and Popes Road  
2-4 **Autumn Club in the small hall**

### Wednesday 1 February

Please pray for the RNLi.  
Preston Road and Rectory Road  
10am **Holy Communion in The Lady Chapel**  
6.30pm **Choir Practice**

### Thursday 2 February

### Candlemas

Please pray for all who foster children/young people.  
Rose Crescent and Rowlands Avenue  
12noon **Lunch Club**

### Friday 3 February

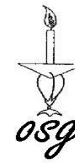
Please pray for those who teach others in all settings.  
Sherrin Close and Simmonds Close

### Saturday 4 February

Please pray for all who attend the Community Afternoon  
Tea tomorrow.  
Shottsford Road and Somerby Road  
9am Prayers for the Parish via Zoom. Please join us at:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/77393429328?pwd=QUZ2VHJjU1N1RXc3Y1BvaVo0N3F0Zz09>  
Meeting ID: 773 9342 9328 Passcode: 9NdT8a

### Sunday 5 February 3 Before Lent

8.30am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel  
10am **Holy Communion**  
**JaM in the large hall**  
3pm **Community Afternoon Tea**



## THIS WEEK AT OAKDALE ST GEORGE

Sunday 29 January 2023  
Altogether in the Hall  
Christingle

Dear Friends

Living and dying, striving for holiness and justice, accepting forgiveness and affirmation, living with the questions and the mystery, trusting in hope of home and the glory and the light of resurrection – these are the elements of life and loving that dance and burn in the candles of Candlemas.

As we make our Christingles today and light our candles we pray that we may be lit by God's bright fire, we may be light and warmth for God's world.

Amen

Sue B



Our collection this morning will go to  
The Childrens' Society

Readings for Sunday 5 February  
1 Corinthians 2. 1-12  
Matthew 5. 13-20

	Please do stay in touch
	01202 660612 Monday to Thursday 10am-12noon. Church open for private prayer during office hours
	admin@stgeorgesoakdale.com
	www.stgeorgesoakdale.com
	Search OSG on Facebook
	Bank Account Name: St Georges Church Oakdale PCC Sort Code 40-45-02 Account No: 41009702

## The Collect

God our creator, who in the beginning commanded the light to shine out of darkness: we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief, shine into the hearts of all your people, and reveal the knowledge of your glory in the face of 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.**

## 1 Corinthians 1. 18-end

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, 'Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.'

## John 2. 1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing

there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

## Post Communion

Generous Lord, in word and eucharist we have proclaimed the mystery of your love: help us so to live out our days that we may be signs of your wonders in the world; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

**Prayer:** Please pray for...

**Worldwide:** The Church of Pakistan (United)

**Diocese:** Branksome St Clement, Poole and North Bournemouth Deanery

**Local:** Old Dairy Close and Old Farm Road

**Immediate Prayer:** Mandy Barrington, Hazel Cockburn, Gilly Dawn, Ray Durman, John Edwards, Jean Frake, Carol Philpott, Sandy Primrose, Reg Stoakes, Gerda, Kezia.

**Continuous Prayer:** Carol Burridge, June Chappell, Hazel Day, Barbara Fairbrother, Paul Fairbrother, Reenie Flay, Sarah Fowler, Richard Glynn, Ann Johnson, Jim L, Margaret Macfarlane, Beverly Mitchell, Susan Mort, Robert Nauta, Julia Stokes, Logan Wicks, Hilary, Lorraine, Melanie.

Also we remember those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries are recorded in our Book of Remembrance: **Ann Elsworth**

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The Unity Service last Sunday, hosted by St. Mary's RC and including St George's and Longfleet Baptist Church raised £161.70 to go to Faithworks who work across so many of the social and faith needs in Poole.

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In the spirit of ecumenism we have been asked to notify you of **The Difference Course** starting **31st January 7.30pm** at St Marys Longfleet.

Can the Church – can each of US – be a reconciling presence in our conflicted world? Many of us long to make a difference, but often we don't know how to respond or where to start. Over five weeks, Tuesdays @ St Mary's will host The Difference Course. This aims to equip us as Christians to be peacemakers: learning about, developing and applying three habits in our own lives that can transform everyday relationships. Further information from [andrewwilliams1150@gmail.com](mailto:andrewwilliams1150@gmail.com) 07522 968778



## Poole Food Bank

Because of your amazing support last year we have been able to

- ◆ support an increase in demand of 77% over the year.
- ◆ food donations have been supplemented with fresh fruit and vegetables, bread and cheese
- ◆ donations from a local business have enabled us to support families with day trips out and with the purchase of school uniform items.



## Urgently needed at the moment are tins of potatoes.

Could you consider making a one-off financial donation to the Food Bank or making a regular financial donation?

**Poole Food Bank**  
CAF Bank Account

Sort code: 40-52-40,  
Account no: 00034948

Thankyou!

The dishwasher in the kitchen has been out of action for a couple of weeks. We have been informed by an engineer that it is beyond repair.

We have received two very generous donations from members of the congregation, which together with a donation from the Lunch Club, has enabled us to purchase a new dishwasher which will be installed as soon as possible.

Thank you very much for the generous donations.