GIDEONS

There has recently been a "Scripture Focus" on distributing Bibles and "Hope" magazines in North East and Central London.

The focus was on Care Homes and Funeral Parlours.

Give Praise

We were able to distribute 13,000 copies of God's Word. This comprised 7,000 Bibles and New Testaments

and 6,000 "Hope" Magazines

The "Hope" Magazine includes the Psalms and St. John's Gospel in a magazine with excellent photographs

Please Pray

For our schools in Dacorum as they open their doors for pupils to return

For the 4 Schools we have contacted that they will respond positively and accept New Testaments for their pupils in this new school year (sent direct from our printers to

THE WAY INN AND OPEN DOOR

reduce cross contamination).

We pray for the successful resolution of the building works at Way Inn after the floods over the summer, it has taken a little longer than expected.

We also give thanks to God for all the support from the churches and the community for the meal programme at Open Door over lockdown as we take stock and ask for his guidance in the next steps we need to take.

SACRED HEART, BERKHAMSTED & CORPUS CHRISTI, TRING:

"We pray for those who are journeying in Faith at this time. We pray especially for those in our RCIA group and our First Holy Communion and Confirmation Candidates who are waiting and praying patiently to receive the Sacraments of Initiation. Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer."

PRAYING FOR OUR SCHOOLS...

ST MARY'S SCHOOL

Give thanks for the co-operation of the parents to the new provisions implemented due to Covid-19.

Pray for the continued settling in of those pupils who have been without face-to-face teaching for nine months.

Pray for the school governors and the extra workload imposed by Covid-19.

PARISH PANTRIES a ST MARYS CHURCH, NORTHCHURCH AND

NORTHCHURCH BAPTIST CHURCH

Whilst some families have enjoyed an abundance of food during the lock down, there has also been a few families that have found 'Ends hard to meet" because of redundancy or the collapse of business.

Both churches would welcome your help and support so that no-one will go without.

There are boxes to donate your gift of food and toiletries at each church for giving and taking of local people in need of help.

We also welcome donations of good quality children's books in addition to the food.
These can also be left in the same place.
We will still be collecting food for DENS as usual.

JULIAN MEETING

There are no meetings planned at the moment. Contact: Ruth Treves-Brown 3 Sherwood Mews 863268 or 07752193389

> Next Prayer Breakfast Saturday 17 October

PRAYER BREAKFAST

September/October 2020

Praying for the town and surrounding villages



"Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." John 1:46 [NRSV]

Welcome - we're glad you joined us!

HOSPICE OF ST FRANCIS

"Our staff have worked tirelessly over the past few months. Medical staff continued to run our Inpatient Unit and Community Team. Others worked from home - most of them are now coming back into the building for part of the week. Miranda Seldon, who has been a volunteer on our Inpatient Unit for some time, is now with us one day a week as part of her role as Curate at St Mary's. We are grateful for this link and all that Miranda brings.

Thank you for your prayers. Our links to local churches are vital. Please pray that we would be able to continue to provide the best care possible. Pray that our staff would be protected and receive the rest and refreshment they need and deserve. Give thanks for wise leadership and pray for guidance in decision making in constantly changing times."

KINGS ROAD CHURCH

"Thanks to God for his great goodness to us in Christ Jesus, and for the appointment of four new elders. Pray that we, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and go forward in Him as he unfolds more of his will to us."

SUNNYSIDE

"Give thanks for the improvements in our technology and the team working hard to enable us to livestream our services and pray that we would find new ways of sharing the love of Christ with those around us.

For both churches, we give thanks for the safe arrival of our curate, Rachel Hamilton and pray for her as she is ordained deacon on 26th September."

BOURNE END

"Give thanks that we can now worship in our church building and pray that we would find new ways of sharing the love of Christ with our community."

ST PETERS"

"Please pray for Fr Stuart as he begins his ministry to St Peter's and this town. We pray for Susie, James and Barnaby as they settle into their new home in Berkhamsted. May the congregation and community welcome them with kindness and compassion and may their love for each other strengthen them in the adventures that lie ahead.

We pray for the students, staff and support staff of our Parish schools; adjusting to new ways of teaching and learning, and working tirelessly to keep children and their families safe. We pray for the young people of this town preparing to go to university. May they know

preparing to go to university. May they know your constant care and guidance in unfamiliar environments and new situations."

BBC

"Please pray for us as we continue our search for a new Minister. Give thanks that we continue to worship our Lord as we have Sunday Zoom services and enjoy weekly contact with each other. Please pray for us as we 'do church' in our building on Sunday October 4th for a 'trial run'. Give thanks for His loving care of us all, especially at this difficult time. "

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

"We give thanks for those who have steered us safely through the time of Rachael's sabbatical with such care and imagination.

As we gradually return to 'in-person' services, we pray also to maintain the online services for those who need them.

Pray for guidance as we begin to think of ways to return to Messy Church services in a safe but fun way.

We pray especially for our housebound friends and for our older members, and those facing operations soon."

HOLY TRINITY, POTTEN END

"Please pray for all the children at Potten End Primary School as they adjust to being back at school. We are thankful that each year group can visit the church to have their own time of Collective Worship with the focus on their emotions and wellbeing. We talk about our Easter candle and God being our light in the darkness. As we light candles for the pupils may they all know the love and protection of God however they are feeling at this time."

NBC

"Thanks for your continuing prayers for the churches in the area, here at NBC we are working hard to maintain our church DNA of UP-worship and prayer, our IN of love for one another, and our OUT of invitation to others to join in our lives. Please pray that we are able to remember that church isn't something you go to, but something that you are. We are working with local schools and groups, as well as enabling people to meet together for worship on Sundays and midweek according to the regulations. But finding ways for the Up In and OUT to be working for individuals, for families as well as the church gathering, wherever we might be, inside the building or out.

Pray for leaders, staffing, and important development conversations."

ST MARY'S

"Pray for those of our congregation who do not have access to technology and are feeling out of contact with the church.

Pray for the ordination of Miranda Seldon and Rachel Hamilton as deacons on 26 September and their work as Curates in the parishes of St Mary's, Sunnyside and Bourne End.
Pray for those who are shielding due to adult disabled children who have been unable to attend work or day centres since March and who are unable to understand the reasons for the

change in circumstances."