



ST MICHAEL'S PIRBRIGHT & ST MARK'S WYKE



KNOWING GOD AND MAKING HIM KNOWN

Sunday 20th September 2026

Vision Sunday

To know Christ and to make Him known

Please make it a real priority to join us this Sunday for Vision Sunday. This is an opportunity for our whole church family at St Michael's and St Mark's to give thanks, look ahead and consider the part each of us can play.

There is so much to celebrate: new families joining us, people exploring faith, growing friendships and the faithful generosity of those who serve our churches. Together, we have come a long way.

Our vision remains simple: **to know Christ and to make Him known**. We long to be a church where every generation belongs, the Bible is taught, faith deepens and people discover the hope of Jesus.

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." **Acts 2:42**

This Sunday, we will explore that picture of church life and hear how our shared vision will take practical shape from January. Both PCCs have unanimously given the vision their support.

Vision cards and booklets will be available to take away, read and pray through.

Please take time to consider them and ask: "What is my part?"

Whether you have worshipped here for decades or have only recently joined us, you have a place in this church family and a part in its future.

We hope you will join us as we take this next step together, with gratitude, faith and expectation.

Every blessing, Revd George

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In your Prayers this week, please pray for:

For the sick and their families at:

St Michael's – Gaynor Davenport, Barbara Douglas, Damian Jon Major, Theo & family, Peter West, John Sim, Jackie, Nic Flemming, Joy Underwood, Kate & Ian Bailes, Peter Glanfield.

St Mark's - Robyn Horsburgh, Jack Short, Clare Sherwood, Diana Marchant, Amelia Tilbury, George and Val Chant, Mavis, Simon T, Casper Gorniok, Michael Stonehill.

And all others who need God's healing touch including those known to us and not named, but in our prayers.

For the friends and family of those recently deceased:

We pray for peace for their families and friends during this time of mourning.

	St Michael's	St Mark's
1st Sunday	9.30am Traditional Holy Communion Service	11.15am All Age Service in Church hall 6pm Worship & Prayer in Church hall
2nd Sunday	8.00am Said Communion (BCP) 9.30am Contemporary Service	11.15am Traditional Holy Communion Service with Baptism
	5pm Taizé service in alternative churches. See below for timetable	
3rd Tuesday	10.15am Said Communion	
3rd Sunday	9.30am Traditional Holy Communion Service	8.00am Said Communion (BCP) 11.15am Contemporary Service in Church hall
4th Sunday	10.00am Church on the Green	11.15am Traditional Holy Communion Service
5th Sunday	Alternate churches.	

Reading for the 20th and 27th September Vision Sundays

Acts2: 42-47

Taizé Services – 5pm

St Michael's

8th November 2026

Church on the Green



Alpha – Starting on September 29th

All welcome!

A pink poster for the Alpha course. It features a small icon of a church window in the top left. The text 'YOU'RE INVITED' is in large, bold, dark blue letters, followed by 'Alpha course' in a smaller, dark blue font. Below this is the Alpha logo, which consists of a large red question mark with the word 'Alpha' in a small red circle next to it, and the text 'A different kind of hope.' in a mix of black and red fonts. The date and time 'Tuesday 29th September 7.15pm' are written in dark blue, followed by the location 'St. Michael's Church Room' and 'Church Ln GU24 0JJ'. At the bottom, it says 'TO SIGN UP and for more information CONTACT OUR OFFICE' and provides the email 'office@stmarkswyke.org. uk'. The last line reads 'Running every Tuesday for 8 weeks except 27th October'.

Wyke

Celebrate St Mark's 180th birthday! Saturday, 26th September, from 1pm to 4pm.



Volunteers are needed for the celebration! Please! An hour, or more, of your time would be gratefully received! A sign-up sheet is available (either in church or church hall) or, please contact Judy on 07765953350 or the office. We also need people to deliver a small amount of 180th birthday flyers, please! If you are able to help, please contact Judy on the number above, or the office. Thank you.

Pirbright

Remembrance Poppies

Thank you everyone who has kindly donated bottles for the Remembrance poppy display. We now have enough!

If anyone has a hot glue gun that we could borrow to attach the stems to the poppies, could you let Helen Whitworth know on helenwelliewhitworth@btinternet.com or 07777659138.

If you would like to help attaching the stems on Saturday 17th October 2pm in Pirbright church room, could you contact Helen please.

A heartfelt thank you!

I would like to say a very big thank you to everyone at St Michael's Church for the beautiful flowers and generous John Lewis vouchers that I was presented with last Friday at the Fair thank you drinks, marking my 12 years on the Pirbright Village Fair Committee.

It has been a real privilege to have been involved with the Fair for so many years. It has always been much more than just an event in the village calendar – it has brought the community together and raised valuable funds for the church and other village causes.

I have thoroughly enjoyed the many years of planning, organising, and problem-solving that go into making the Fair happen. Most of all, I have enjoyed working alongside so many wonderful people and getting to know members of our village community.

I shall certainly miss being part of the Committee, but I am very grateful for the friendships, memories and fun that the last 12 years have brought.

Thank you, St Michael's, for such a lovely and thoughtful gesture. The flowers were beautiful and the vouchers very much appreciated – and will definitely be put to good use!

Thanks, Helen

Both Churches

Craft, Coffee, and Chat – 22nd September

The craft group for people from both churches - and none - will meet at 10 am on Tuesday 22 September in the Church Room at St. Michael's. We are a friendly group of diverse crafters including, but certainly not limited to, knitters, crocheters, quilters, embroiderers, and needle pointers. People work on their own projects and share their knowledge of their crafts. Do join us; coffee and biscuits provided. If you have any questions or need a lift, contact Jay on 07703 834 636 or sjaykleinberg@gmail.com.

Church Away day - Saturday 19th June 2027.

Please put the date in your diary now! More details will follow.

Still needed please!

We need to apply for grants for various projects in both churches. Could you help us apply for these grants? Please could you let the office know if you are interested in helping us – office@stmarkswyke.org.uk

Pirbright Gospel Choir

Our thanks to everyone who got in touch about our Musical Director, we are delighted to say that Catherine Barker has joined us as our new Music Director and has already made a big impact on the choir!



Catherine is a very experienced music teacher and great fun to work with, so we are looking forward to singing with her in the coming months and seeing what she can help us achieve musically.

We are a small but friendly and very supportive choir, who come together for the joy of singing. There is no audition, all are welcome, of all faiths and none and, whatever your voice, you can be sure you will leave with a smile on your face, a spring in your step and a song in your heart.

If you think you might enjoy singing with us, either contact Julia Douetil (julia.douetil@gmail.com) or come along at 7:30pm on a Wednesday evening in term time, to Pirbright Village Primary School, the KS1 entrance at the Village Green end of the school. Julia

Church Growth Conference – 8 October

We are all warmly invited to this year's Diocese of Guildford Church Growth Conference which will be held on Thursday 8 October (10am-3.30pm) at Welcome Church Woking. We will be welcoming two inspirational keynote speakers, ideally placed to help us make the most of this time of spiritual openness to grow our church: the Rt Revd Ruth Bushyager, Bishop of Horsham and a sought-

Church Growth Conference 2026

Thursday 8 October
Welcome Church, Woking

Keynote speakers:
Ruth Bushyager
Gavin Calver

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after platform speaker, and Gavin Calver, evangelist, author, broadcaster and Chief Executive of the Evangelical Alliance.

Everyone is welcome and the conference is particularly designed to enable those who share in the leadership and ministry of each parish to come as a team. So whilst the conference is primarily designed for clergy, LLMs, PCCs and parish staff coming as a team, we have found in previous years that it can also do much to inspire congregation members to deepen their involvement in the ministry and mission of each parish, helping us to share our faith and make the most of this season of spiritual openness and opportunity

There will also be an exhibition, opportunity to hear Bishop Paul and the diocesan team and a wide range of support available.

A number of us are attending and, if you would like to join us, please book your place (£12 including lunch) at **ChurchGrowth2026.eventbrite.co.uk**