

## ST MARY'S SPEEN PEW NEWS 283

### THIS SUNDAY

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July 10.30am Holy Communion**

conducted by Rev Pam McKellen.

**6pm Benefice Evensong** led by Jane Sutton

### NEXT SUNDAY

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July 10.30am Service of the Word**

led by Jo Fageant.

#### ST MARY'S SERVICES IN AUGUST

Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Aug 10.30 HC Rev Margaret Yates  
6pm Evensong Rev Pat W

Sun 11<sup>th</sup> Aug 10.30 SoW John Hughesdon

Sun 18<sup>th</sup> Aug 10.30 HC Rev Pam McKellen  
6pm Evensong Jane Sutton

Sun 25<sup>th</sup> Aug 10.30 SoW Julian Shelley

### GOOD NEWS

The Queen has approved the appointment of the Venerable Olivia Graham, the Archdeacon of Berkshire, as the next Bishop of Reading. Responding to today's announcement, Olivia said; "I am delighted and energised to have been called to an episcopal role. It is a tremendous opportunity to bring together my passions for the Church and the wider world – for example to be able to encourage greater engagement between our church communities and secondary schools. The young people I encounter in our schools are serious and engaged with the world. We need to see how we can offer the resources of faith at a crucial time in their lives."

Olivia's early career was spent in teaching and international development, including a period working for Oxfam in Somalia. Ordained in 1997, she has served all of her ministry in the Diocese of Oxford, becoming Archdeacon of Berkshire in 2013.

The Bishop of Oxford, the Rt Revd Dr Steven Croft said; "One of the things that was apparent when we were listening and consulting about the new bishop was that people wanted somebody who really knew what it is like to be in ministry in this part of the world, -someone who knew what the pressures and challenges are. In this and many other areas Olivia brings

just what we need at this time. I am very excited about what Olivia's appointment means for the Diocese."

Olivia will succeed the Rt Revd Andrew Proud who retired from the role at the start of May this year. When she is consecrated in a service at St Paul's Cathedral on 19 November, she will become the 24th female bishop in the Church of England and the first female bishop in the Diocese of Oxford.

Just over half (54%) of those entering training for ordination last year were women.

### West Berkshire Food Bank

We are experiencing unprecedented calls on our services and stocks of food and toiletries items are being depleted. We have urgent need for the following items: Tinned Meat, Shampoo, Shaving Foam, Deodorants. Mixed Herbs, Pasta Sauce, Tinned Fish.

### THIS MORNING

#### READINGS

Tbc - Colossians 1: 15-29

Mavis Hughesdon - Luke 10:38-42

#### PRAYERS

John Hughesdon

#### HYMNS

Organist: Daphne

511 O Lord my God

489 O God beyond all praising

12 Alleluia sing to Jesus

Lord you have my heart (During communion)

In Christ alone (words on sheet)

### THIS EVENING

#### READINGS

Pam Proudfoot - Genesis 41:15-32

Maureen Gilbert - 2 Peter 3:10-18

#### PSALM, HYMNS ETC

Organist Oliver Williams

Psalm 81

21 All people that on earth

60 Beauty for brokenness

186 For the healing of the nations

100 Christ is the world's true light