

# SONNING DEANERY PRAYER CYCLE

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**Number 57**

**September 2017**

**This month our special focus is on St Sebastians Church**

**Please pray for:**

Vicar: The Rev'd Canon Andrew Marsden

Associate Minister: Rev'd Ian Seymour

LLM: Russell Shipton

LLM in training: David Hare

Employed Family and Youth Pastor: Vacancy from Sept 2017

Employed Children and Family Worker: Rachel Jeremiah (on maternity leave)

Church Warden: David Boulton

Church Warden: Mike Page

PCC Sec: Rod Sturdy

Treasurer: Janet Rogers

Administrator: Judith Boulton

- For the recruitment process for a new full-time Family and Youth Pastor, with the advertisement out in late August and a closing date for applications of 22 September.
- For us to find cover for our part-time Children and Family Worker, currently on maternity leave.
- For our Youth and Children's volunteers, having to take on extra responsibilities until the above posts are filled.
- For many who want to explore the Christian faith to join our Alpha Course, beginning on 19 September.
- For Martin Gater, who will be taking up the post of Head Teacher of St Sebastian's School in September. Pray for the good relationship between the church and school to continue and to develop as God wants.

**In the Deanery Please pray for:**

- All children and young people as they prepare to go back to school and college
- Those starting School for the first time and those moving up to secondary school
- Those going to college and university for the first time and those returning to university
- Those starting apprenticeships or other forms of tertiary education
- Those starting new jobs or taking on new roles or responsibility
- Those getting married
- For God's blessing on Julian McAllen settling in to Finchampstead and getting married in September, Kate Toogood moving to Sonning and at Blue Coat School, Hugh Barne and Steve Turville at Wargrave with Knowl Hill, newly ordained
- Anna Harwood and Ben Thorndike as they prepare to move to new jobs
- Jacquie Vanstone, becoming Acting Head of Finchampstead C of E Primary School
- The **Heritage Open Weekend, Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th September, St Michael's Sandhurst programme** 'Exploring the Seventeenth Century' and for all Churches in the Deanery opening their Churches for the weekend, for all who take part in the events who are not normally part of our congregations and for those running the tours and activities.

## Give thanks for:

- The way the Church, including our Deanery rallied in prayer for the many who were ill at **St Paul's Church** in June and the encouragement which surrounded and upheld them.