



What should we do in the next 24 months?

1. First and foremost, we should pray. We must pray without ceasing the Prayer for Growth.
2. We are the Body of Christ. Each called to play a part. All members of SMO should be involved in the church. More than ever, we need to share our ideas and thoughts with the Vicar or members of the PCC.
3. We need to be bearers and spreaders of the Good News of Christ and His church.
4. Please consider increasing your personal giving. If each of us could give an additional £5/week that would result in an additional £20k a year, including Gift Aid which would make so much difference.
5. Think about a pledge or special donation, perhaps in memory of a loved one, that could be linked to achieving part of our Vision.
6. Leaving a legacy to St. Mary's in your will is not only tax efficient but also a wonderful way to help ensure that St. Mary's will be here to help and guide future generations.

PRAYER FOR GROWTH

God of Mission, who alone brings growth to your Church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



We are really excited about what God is going to do in us and through us. We would like you to join us, so that together we can bring God's Kingdom closer to His people.

If you would like to know more and how you could be a part, please check our website www.oatlandschurch.org.uk

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OUR VISION 2021 “Loving, Serving, Growing”

The Guildford Diocese, which we are part of, has an over-arching vision of 'Transforming Church, Transforming Lives'. Working with this, our local vision is to be 'Loving, Serving, Growing'.

We intend to continue and improve many of our existing traditions as well as embracing new ones. We would continue many aspects of our pastoral care of the elderly while at the same time reaching out to new and younger families. We would continue 'Open The Book', 'SMART', Family Praise as well as start new ones to encourage more families. We have so much to offer and there are many ways for you to get involved with your church and Oatlands community.



Our vision is to:

- **Love God and love our neighbours better and more deeply.**
- **Serve God and serve our neighbours better and more deeply.**
- **Grow in depth on our walk with God while at the same time growing our church in numbers.**

OUR VALUES

Welcoming, Caring, Family, Christ-like

Welcoming, caring and family, these are words used by many to describe our church. As a church, these are our core values in addition of our priority of seeking to be Christ-like in all that we do.

These values are our DNA. They are what makes us who we are as a church here in Oatlands village. They are the foundation to all we do, and seek to do, in the name of Christ.



OUR GOALS

1. Promote and present St Mary's as accessible, relevant, helpful, considerate and non-judgemental to both members and people living and working in the community
2. Help members of St Mary's Oatlands to be confident Disciples of Christ in all aspects of their lives.
3. 'Grow the Church younger' by encouraging and developing the ministry to children, families, and young people.



HOW WILL WE ACHIEVE THIS?

1. Ensure our Parish Office is functional and welcoming.
2. Develop clear, visible and engaging communication.
3. Improve our facilities for the community.
4. Develop regular worship and activities that are attractive to young families.
5. Recruit a Children and Families Worker.
6. Establish enabling and empowering worship and discipleship programmes.
7. Improve our car-park by making it user friendly and accessible.
8. Set up a sustainable Small Group programme that develops community leaders.



As a church, we are particularly grateful to all who have raised funds for many projects such as the Altar Frontals, Hall Curtains, Votive Candle Stand, Office equipment and many others projects undertaken in the past.

We have also been blessed in recent years especially with the proceeds from the sale of the property on St. Mary's Road and recent grants and legacies. These funds and parts of our reserves will cover some of the cost of the projects.

Nevertheless, we will be seeking grants and organising many other fund raising activities as we seek to raise **£250,000** needed for the projects over the next three years.

