

**SIGNPOST**  
the weekly newsletter of  
**St George's, Tuffley**  
with **St Margaret's, Whaddon**

Worshipping, Caring, Pioneering  
'Growing God's Kingdom'



Sunday worship  
24 April 2022

**ST GEORGE**  
Welcome

Please take a moment to introduce yourself to our Vicar Rachel or one of our Church Wardens, (Mike or Sylvia at St George's) (Jonathan or Hans at St Margaret's) or the door steward. If visiting St George's, please join us for tea/coffee after the 10.30am service. Both churches are fitted with an inductive loop; to hear the service better those with hearing aids should switch them to the appropriate setting.

**To protect everyone,**

Please wear a face mask. The Standing Committee, on the 5<sup>th</sup> April, reviewed the current benefice Covid arrangements in order to love and protect one another as best we can.

Rachel and the Committee would very much appreciate it if we could all continue wearing masks in our church services, and observing social distancing.

Also, if you are feeling unwell, please could you stay at home. We will review the situation again at the joint PCC meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> May.  
Thank you.

**\*\*\* Messy Church \*\*\***

Have you got neighbours with young children? Let them know the Church in Tuffley plan to run 'Messy Church' sessions each month. **Due to Covid some sessions may be cancelled so we advise the relevant Church Website is checked.**

**St Barnabas** on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays of each month.  
Next meeting - 6<sup>th</sup> May from 3.30pm until 4.45pm

**Grange Baptist** on the last Sunday of the month. **Next meeting – TODAY at 10.30am.**

**PCC MEETING**  
**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May**  
**7.00pm in the small hall**  
**of St George's Centre**

**Order of Service**

**Love the world even though it hates you.**



The hymns listed below are for the service at St George's

*Processional Hymn* 281 He who would valiant be

**Prayer for Today**

God of hosts,  
who so kindled the flame of love  
in the heart of your servant George  
that he bore witness to the risen Lord  
by his life and by his death:  
give us the same faith and power of love  
that we who rejoice in his triumphs  
may come to share with him the fullness of the resurrection;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
Amen

*Readings*

**Revelation 12 Michael Defeats the Dragon**

<sup>7</sup> And war broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, <sup>8</sup> but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. <sup>9</sup> The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. <sup>10</sup> Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, "Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. <sup>11</sup> But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!"

**Psalm 126**

- 1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, **then were we like those who dream.**
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter **and our tongue with songs of joy.**
- 3 Then said they among the nations, '**The Lord has done great things for them.**'
- 4 The Lord has indeed done great things for us, **and therefore we rejoiced.**
- 5 Restore again our fortunes, O Lord, **as the river beds of the desert.**
- 6 Those who sow in tears **shall reap with songs of joy.**

7 Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed, **will come back with shouts of joy, bearing their sheaves with them.**

## 2 Timothy 2

<sup>3</sup>Share in suffering like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. <sup>4</sup>No one serving in the army gets entangled in everyday affairs; the soldier's aim is to please the enlisting officer. <sup>5</sup>And in the case of an athlete, no one is crowned without competing according to the rules. <sup>6</sup>It is the farmer who does the work who ought to have the first share of the crops. <sup>7</sup>Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in all things. <sup>8</sup>Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David that is my gospel, <sup>9</sup>for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup>The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; <sup>12</sup>if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; <sup>13</sup>if we are faithless, he remains faithful for he cannot deny himself.

## John 15 The World's Hatred

<sup>18</sup>"If the world hates you, be aware that it hated me before it hated you. <sup>19</sup>If you belonged to the world, the world would love you as its own. Because you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world—therefore the world hates you. <sup>20</sup>Remember the word that I said to you, 'Servants are not greater than their master.' If they persecuted me, they will persecute you; if they kept my word, they will keep yours also. <sup>21</sup>But they will do all these things to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me.

*Sermon - Rev'd Rachel*

*Declaration of Faith*

*Intercessions*

**We pray for all who are ill or in need at this time mentioning by name:**

Angela, Susan, Mike and Laura, Lynne, Daphne, Angela, Margaret & Mark, Joyce & Martin, Andrew.

**Birthdays and Anniversaries:**

Jayne Close 26<sup>th</sup>, Derek & Sarah Kingscote celebrate a wedding anniversary on 1 May.

**Banns of Marriage:**

3<sup>rd</sup> calling at St Margaret's for: -  
Braidy Ciaren Behan & Fleur Verity Mason

2<sup>nd</sup> calling at St George's for: -  
Sam O'Toole & Sheena Wheatley

## Anniversaries of Death:

Don Clift, Derek Bodimeade, Garry Jeffrey, Maureen Bell, Baby Ralph Dre-Pritchard, Hannah Crumpler, Ruby Grech, Norman Cowley, William Richardson, Peter Johnson, Daphne Steer, Wally Jenkins, Lorraine Edwards, Ronald Dennis, Gladys Mitchell, Wendy Gillard, Alan Trenfield, Alan Smith.

If you would like your birthday or anniversary mentioned in Signpost, please let Glenda know.

*Offertory Hymn* 731 When a knight won his spurs

*Communion Hymn* 108 Colours of day

## Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God,  
who gave us this holy meal  
in which we have celebrated the glory of the cross  
and the victory of your martyr George:  
by our communion with Christ  
in his saving death and resurrection,  
give us with all your saints the courage to conquer evil  
and so to share the fruit of the tree of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Final Hymn* 33 And did those feet in ancient times

## Please note...

In line with Diocesan guidelines the heating in Church will be turned off after the 30<sup>th</sup> April.

## News & Diary Dates – 24 April – 1 May

### 'FRIDAY FOOTLIGHTS' AT ST. GEORGE'S!

'Footlights', the popular Friendship and Nostalgia Group for over 55's, which has been running at St Barnabas Church Hall on Mondays since 2017, is now also available on a Friday afternoon in St George's Centre from 2.00pm until 4.00pm, **launching on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022. Entrance fee is £2.00.**

With a unique blend of tea, cake, music, chat and fun, everyone is welcome to join us, but please do **contact Lorraine Campbell on (01452) 520883, as places may be limited.**

Looking forward to meeting you!

### Preparing for our APCMs

Our APCMs will take place on **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May at 12.00noon for St George's and after Evensong at St Margaret's.**

*What do you need to be doing now?*

Think about if you would like to be one of the PCC members or, who you might like to nominate to be a member of the PCC. This also applies to Churchwarden nominations.

Sun 24	<b>ST GEORGE</b> <b>May Crossroads available</b>		
	9.00am	St M's	Parish Communion
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion followed by coffee <b>Crucifer:</b> Sylvia E <b>Readers:</b> Paul/Stuart <b>Intercessions:</b> Susan
	10.30am	GB	Messy Church
	12.30pm	St G's	Baptism tbc
	4.30pm	SH	Private let
Mon 25	10.30am	SH	Aphasia-Now
	5.00pm	MH	Brownies
	6.00pm	SH	Rainbows
	7.15pm	MH	Guides
Tue 26	10.00am	St G's	Parish Communion
	10.00am	MH	Coffee Pot
	6.30pm	MH	Cubs & Beavers
Wed 27	8.15am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	3.30pm	MH	Slimming World
Thu 28	10.30am	St M's	Parish Communion
	10.30am	SH/SL	Day Centre
	7.30pm	SH	Charter Band
Fri 29	2.00pm	MH	Footlights
	2.30pm	St G's	Quiet Prayer Group
Sun 1	<b>Easter3</b>		
	10.30am	St M's	Family Praise & Banns of Marriage
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion followed by coffee <b>Crucifer:</b> Dot <b>Readers:</b> Sylvia E / Derek <b>Intercessions:</b> Sylvia C
	12.30pm	St M's	Baptism tbc
	5.00pm	St M's	Evensong

**St G's = St George's, St M's = St Margaret's,  
MH = Main Hall of Centre, SH = Small Hall  
SL = Softley Lounge, GB = Grange Baptists**

❖ Keep bringing items for the Foodbank on a Sunday. Collection point is the tray at the back of the Church.

The Foodbank are in **URGENT NEED OF:-**

**LONG LIFE MILK (Not Chilled), LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE, (Not Chilled), TINNED SPAGHETTI, TINNED FISH, TINNED RICE PUDDING, PACKET INSTANT MASH, PACKET PASTA 'N SAUCE, FRAY BENTOS PIES, SMALL JARS COFFEE, POT NOODLES, SHOWER GEL, DEODORANT, TOOTHPASTE & SINGLE TOOTHBRUSHES.**

Thank you!

**QUIET PRAYER GROUP**  
**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April**  
*in the Lady Chapel*

### Know someone who:

- ❖ is without support?
- ❖ can't make ends meet?
- ❖ Just wants to talk?

Then **Contact Gloucestershire Community Help Hub on 01452 583519**

### Keep picking up the phone!

People are finding phone calls with friends invaluable to combat loneliness. Thank you everyone; please keep up the good work!



### CONTACTING US:

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The Administration office is open on Wednesday & Friday mornings from 9.30am until 11.30am. Please contact the Church Administrator by email or leave a message on the office telephone and our Administrator will get back to you.

We are part of the **Church in Tuffley**, working in partnership with English Martyrs (Roman Catholic), Grange (Baptist) and St Barnabas (Anglican).



### WEEKLY SERVICES

**Every week on a Tuesday**

**10.00am Said Holy Communion at St George's**

**Every week on a Wednesday**

**8.15am Morning Prayer on ZOOM**

**Every week on a Thursday**

**10.30am Parish Communion**

**at at St Margaret's**

**all are welcome**

**COFFEE POT**  
**each Tuesday**  
**in St George's Centre**

**from 10.00am onwards**