

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

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



Sunday worship
23 April 2023

ST GEORGE'S DAY
EASTER 3
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.

If you are feeling unwell, please could you stay at home.

Thank you.

For your own comfort...

Please feel free to sit at any time during the service.

Toilet facilities at St Margaret's...

Unfortunately, the toilet at St Margaret's is not usable at the moment. We shall let you know when the facility is restored.

Order of Service

Love the Lord, no matter what.

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



Processional Hymn 756 Ye servants of God

Prayer for Today

Risen Christ,
you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life
and fill us with your peace,
to the glory of God the Father. Amen

Scriptures for 23 April

1 Maccabees 2 The Last Words of Mattathias

⁵⁹ Hananiah, Azariah, and Mishael believed and were saved from the flame. ⁶⁰ Daniel, because of his innocence, was delivered from the mouth of the lions. ⁶¹ 'And so observe, from generation to generation, that none of those who put their trust in him will lack strength. ⁶² Do not fear the words of sinners, for their splendour will turn into dung and worms. ⁶³ Today they will be exalted, but tomorrow they will not be found, because they will have returned to the dust, and their plans will have perished. ⁶⁴ My children, be courageous and grow strong in the law, for by it you will gain honour.

Psalms 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

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

John 15 The World's Hatred

¹⁸ 'If the world hates you, be aware that it hated me before it hated you. ¹⁹ 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. ²⁰ 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. ²¹ 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, Laura, Lynne, Angela, Helen, Margaret & Mark, David, Carol and Family.

Birthdays and Anniversaries:

Jayne Close 26th.

Anniversaries of Death

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

Offertory Hymn 33 And did those feet in ancient time.

Communion Hymn 35 A new commandment

Post Communion Prayer

Living God,
your Son made himself known to his disciples
in the breaking of bread:
open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Final Hymn 54 At the name of Jesus.

News & Diary Dates from 23rd to 30th April

Sun 23	ST GEORGE'S DAY		
	9.00am	St M's	Parish Communion
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion followed by coffee Crucifer: Dot Readers: Susan / Sylvia C Intercessions: Laine Coffee: Glenice / Hilary
	6.30pm	St G's	St George's Supper
Mon 24	10.30am	SH	Aphasia-Now
			Brownies at Skillzone
	6.00pm	SH	Rainbows
	7.15pm	MH	Guides
Tue 25	9.30am	SH	Coffee Pot
	10.00am	St G's	Parish Communion
	1.30pm	St G's	Fun & Free Tuesday
	6.30pm	MH	Cubs & Beavers
	8.00pm	MH	Karate
Wed 26	8.15am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	3.30pm	MH	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm
Thu 27	10.30am	St M's	Parish Communion
	10.30am	SH/SL	Thursday Club

	6.30pm	MH	Clubbercise Zumba
	7.30pm	SH	Charter Band
Fri 28	2.30pm	St G's	Quiet Prayer Group
	7.30pm	MH	Entertainers
Sat 29	10.00am	MH	Karate
	2.30pm	St G's	Church in Tuffley Litter Pick
Sun 30	EASTER 4		
	9.00am	St M's	Parish Communion
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion followed by coffee Crucifer: Sylvia E Readers: Dot / Stuart Intercessions: Sylvia C Coffee: Sylvia / Dot
	10.30am	GB	Messy Church
	4.30pm	SH	Charles Igbo let

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

Charles III and Camilla's Coronation

You are warmly invited to join members of St Barnabas Church on Saturday 6th May for the Coronation of Charles III and Camilla.

Doors will open at 10:45 for what Rev Sarah Todd believes is an 11:00 start.

Everyone is invited to bring something to share for lunch. If you are interested to see the Coronation at St Barnabas, please speak to Rachel.

Saturday 10th June at 7.30pm

Let us entertain you...

Everything is falling into place for this evening of words, music and who knows what else!! The list of acts is growing but I've still got a few more names on my list to approach, so don't feel left out just yet, but if you do, please speak to me soon. Tickets will be on sale shortly at £5.00 each, please bring your own food and drink. As you know there are supplies of glasses and plates etc in the kitchen. All proceeds from the evening will go towards St George's Church. Cheers Darrell

Scriptures for EASTER 4 - 30 April

**Acts 2:42-47, Psalm 23,
I Peter 2:19-25, John 10:1-10**

*** 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 - Next meeting on Friday 5th May from 3.30pm.

Grange Baptist Church on the last Sunday of the month. Next meeting is on 30 April at 10.30am.

Elections to our PCCs

On the assumption that there are no resignations from the current St George's PCC, ideally three members need to be elected from St George's new Electoral Roll to make the total PCC membership upto its maximum of nine plus ex-officio members. At St Margaret's on the same assumption that there are no resignations, three members also need to be elected from St Margaret's new Electoral Roll to make the total PCC membership upto its maximum of six plus ex-officio members.

Confirmation

We will be gathering for a few confirmation sessions soon as we have at least one candidate for confirmation in the benefice. If you would be interested in either being confirmed, or coming along to the sessions out of interest (if you've already been confirmed, or if you're not sure about confirmation) please do speak to Rachel or Laine.

Online Morning Prayer

Morning Prayer on Wednesday at 8.15am will continue to be online on Zoom. **If you have a computer (with a camera and microphone), an iPad, or an iPhone** we can send an invite to your email address. **If you have no devices to connect to the internet, but have a landline telephone** you can still join in. You would be provided with a telephone number. Additional information allowing you to join the meeting would be given you. **Interested?** Let Rachel know and you will be welcomed to join any of the above meetings.

FOODBANK

❖ 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 MEAT, (E.G. Corned Beef, Ham) TINNED FRUIT, TINNED RICE PUDDING, TINNED CUSTARD, PACKET INSTANT MASH, PACKETS OF BISCUITS, SMALL JARS COFFEE, SHAMPOO, DEODORANT, BABY WIPES NAPPIES SIZE 5 AND 6**
Thank you!

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!



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The Administration office is open on Wednesday, Thursday & 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 St Margaret's
all are welcome

COFFEE POT this Tuesday
in THE SMALL HALL
from 9.30am



FUN AND FREE TUESDAY's
ARE BACK!! at St George's
Tuesdays in term time from 1.30pm
Could you be a helper? See Rachel