

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

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



Sunday worship
4 June 2023

TRINITY
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 Mike 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.

Welcome to the Revd Mark Whatson

As many of you will know, Mark and Helen Whatson moved into St George's parish towards the end of last year, and it has been a joy to welcome them. Mark is a retired priest, who served in Chester and Gloucester Diocese before moving to the Isle of Wight, where he was Vicar of Freshwater and Yarmouth for nearly twenty years. I am delighted that Mark has been willing to apply for 'permission to officiate' (meaning he will be authorised by the Bishop to take services) and that he is happy to cover services across the benefice. We look forward to benefitting from his ministry and wisdom.

Order of Service

Father, Son and Holy Spirit are with you always.

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



Processional Hymn 314 Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Prayer for Today

Holy God,
faithful and unchanging:
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,
that we may truly worship you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen

Scriptures for 4 June

Isaiah 40 God's People Are Comforted

¹² Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? ¹³ Who has directed the spirit of the LORD, or as his counsellor has instructed him? ¹⁴ Whom did he consult for his enlightenment, and who taught him the path of justice? Who taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding? ¹⁵ Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as dust on the scales; see, he takes up the isles like fine dust. ¹⁶ Lebanon would not provide fuel enough, nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering. ¹⁷ All the nations are as nothing before him; they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness.

²⁷ Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, 'My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God'? ²⁸ Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹ He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. ³⁰ Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; ³¹ but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Psalm 8

- 1 O Lord our governor, **how glorious is your name in all the world!**
- 2 Your majesty above the heavens is praised **out of the mouths of babes at the breast.**
- 3 You have founded a stronghold against your foes, **that you might still the enemy and the avenger.**
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, **the moon and the stars that you have ordained,**
- 5 What is man, that you should be mindful of him; **the son of man, that you should seek him out?**
- 6 You have made him little lower than the angels **and crown him with glory and honour.**
- 7 You have given him dominion over the works of your hands **and put all things under his feet,**
- 8 All sheep and oxen, **even the wild beasts of the field,**

9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea **and whatsoever moves in the paths of the sea.**

10 O Lord our governor, **how glorious is your name in all the world!**

2 Corinthians 13 Final Greetings and Benediction

¹¹ Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. ¹³ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Matthew 28 The Commissioning of the Disciples

¹⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

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:

Derek Kingscote 4th, Glenda Stevens 9th, Ann Humphris 11th.

Banns of Marriage:

1st calling at St George's:

Ronald Edward Smith & Tracey Rae Lillian Palmer,
Brian David Morris & Jenny Victoria Bodimeade

Anniversaries of Death

Judith Fox, David Fox, Pam Blewitt, Bill Snell, Herbert Alderton, Kathleen Ruskin, Nancy Stamps, Bette Newport, Ben Stokes, Ted Garrett, Richard Lord, Faye Griffiths, Joan Hill, Margaret Baxter, Peter Botchett, George Parker, William Hooper.

Offertory Hymn 174 Firmly I believe and truly

Communion Hymn This I believe
Hillsongs (video from Ukraine)

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty and eternal God,
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:
hold us firm in this faith,
that we may know you in all your ways
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,
who are three Persons yet one God,
now and for ever.

Final Hymn 286 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty

Scriptures for 11th June
(TRINITY I / St Barnabas)
Job 29:11-16, Psalm 112,
Acts 11:19-30, John 15:12-17

News & Diary Dates from 4th to 11th June

Sun 4	TRINITY		
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion followed by coffee Crucifer: Sylvia E Readers: Dot / Paul Intercessions: Sylvia C Coffee: Kath / Stella
	12.30pm	St M's	Baptism of Efa Nina Webb
	5.00pm	St M's	Evensong
Mon 5	5.00pm	Zoom	Evening Prayer
	5.00pm	MH	Brownies
	6.00pm	SH	Rainbows
	7.15pm	MH	Guides
Tue 6	9.30am	SH	Coffee Pot
	10.00am	St G's	Parish Communion
	1.30pm	MH	Fun & Free Tuesday
	5.00pm	LC	Evening Prayer
	8.00pm	MH	Karate
Wed 7	8.15am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	3.30pm	MH	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm
	7.00pm	SL	Gardening Club Ctte
Thu 8	10.30am	St M's	Parish Communion
	10.30am	SH/SL	Thursday Club
	6.30pm	MH	Clubbercise Zumba
	7.30pm	SH	Charter Band
Fri 9	7.30pm	MH	Entertainers
Sat 10	10.00am	MH	Karate
	10.00am	St G	Church Cleaning
	7.30pm	MH	Let Us Entertain You
Sun 11	TRINITY I		
	9.00am	St M's	Parish Communion
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion followed by coffee Crucifer: David Readers: Sylvia E/Stuart Intercessions: Paul Coffee: Dianne/Erna

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,

FREE TO A GOOD HOME: -

A rabbit hutch with straw, cat litter and bowls. If interested, please ring Sue on 01452 504749.

ST GEORGE'S CHURCH CLEANING

Saturday 10th June at 10.00am this has been delayed by 1 week due to Spring Pentecost Fun happening on 3rd June. See you there.

100 CLUB

Our next draw is on **Sunday 11th June**, please make sure that you see your collector to ensure that you are fully paid up and therefore in the draw.

HOLIDAY CLUB

We are hoping to run a Holiday Club for children on Tuesday 22nd to Thursday 24th August at St George's. Could you let Laine or Rachel know please if you would be available and willing to help with this, either for a full morning (9.00am until 12.30pm) or for part of the morning each day. There will be a variety of roles such as helping on the welcome desk, preparing and serving a simple snack, being with a group of children etc - whatever you feel comfortable with, there will be a place for you. Thank you!

LET US ENTERTAIN YOU

Saturday 10th June at 7.30pm – We're almost there, I have a cast of performers who are ready to entertain you; all we need now is for you to support those who are practising on your behalf. Tickets are available **NOW!** at £5.00 each, please bring your own food and drink. In our current absence Margaret Barber has offered to take charge of selling tickets on our behalf. All proceeds from the evening will go towards St George's Church. Thank you, Darrell.

THURSDAY CLUB

This lunch club meets on a Thursday at 10.30am in St George's Centre if you would like a freshly cooked hot meal this is the place for you. To check on the current waiting list, please contact Marlene, on 01452 528998 for more information. Transport to the club can be arranged if required.

***** 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 1st Friday of the month.

Next meeting – 7th July from 3.30pm until 4.45pm

Grange Baptist Church on the last Sunday of the month. Next meeting – 25th June at 10.30am.

Prayers – Online & In Person

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.

Evening Prayers will be held on Mondays (unless it is a Bank Holiday) and Tuesdays.

The next **Monday** meeting will be via the Internet using Zoom on **5th June**. The next **Tuesday** meeting will be on **6th June** when we shall meet in person in the Lady Chapel. Both meeting commence at 5.00pm.

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)

New TINNED TOMATOES,

New TINNED VEGETABLES,

TINNED MEAT, (E.G. Corned Beef, Ham)

TINNED FRUIT,

TINNED RICE PUDDING,

TINNED CUSTARD,

PACKET INSTANT MASH,

New BOTTLES OF SQUASH,

SHAMPOO,

DEODORANT,

TOOTHPASTE,

SINGLE TOOTHBRUSHES,

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).

