

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

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



Sunday worship  
2<sup>nd</sup> July 2023

**THOMAS THE APOSTLE**  
**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.

**For your own comfort...**

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

**Unfortunately**, the toilet facilities at St Margaret's are still unavailable.

**Order of Service**

**What pleases God? Faith**

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

**Processional Hymn**

**Prayer for Today**

Almighty and eternal God,  
who, for the firmer foundation of our faith,  
allowed your holy apostle Thomas  
to doubt the resurrection of your Son  
till word and sight convinced him:  
grant to us, who have not seen, that we also may believe  
and so confess Christ as our Lord and our God;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen

**Scriptures for 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

**Habakkuk 2**

**God's Reply to the Prophet's Complaint**

I will stand at my watch-post, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. <sup>2</sup> Then

the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. <sup>3</sup> For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. <sup>4</sup> Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

**Psalms 31**

- 1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; **deliver me in your righteousness.**
- 2 Incline your ear to me; **make haste to deliver me.**
- 3 Be my strong rock, a fortress to save me, for you are my rock and my stronghold; **guide me, and lead me for your name's sake.**
- 4 Take me out of the net that they have laid secretly for me, **for you are my strength.**
- 5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, **for you have redeemed me, O Lord God of truth.**
- 6 I hate those who cling to worthless idols; **I put my trust in the Lord.**

**Ephesians 2**

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God,<sup>20</sup> built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.<sup>21</sup> In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord;<sup>22</sup> in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

**John 20 Jesus and Thomas**

<sup>24</sup> But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' <sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' <sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' <sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

**Sermon - Rev'd Rachel**

**Declaration of Faith**

**Intercessions**

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

Laura, Angela, Margaret & Mark, Sheila, Johanna, Steve.

**In Memoriam:**

Bill McCoppin RIP



## Birthdays and Anniversaries:

Malcolm Martin 4<sup>th</sup>, Roger Meadows special birthday on 5<sup>th</sup>.

## Banns of Marriage:

1<sup>st</sup> calling at St George's:

Montelle Jordan Willis & Shannon Louise King  
Davey Margrett & Jessica Bernard

## Anniversaries of Death

Cecil Yapp, Janet Raybould, Chris Watts, Alexandra Hay.

## Offertory Hymn

## Communion Hymn

## Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, the source of truth and love,  
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,  
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## Final Hymn

## SCRIPTURES FOR 9<sup>th</sup> JULY – Trinity 5

Zechariah 9:9-12, Psalm 145, Romans 7:15-25,  
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

## Prayer...

If anyone wishes prayer, please see Linda Medwell or put the name of the person to be prayed for in the 'Prayer book' held at the back of both churches.

## Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July Joint Service

Archdeacon Hilary will be with us on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July at the 10.30am service at St George's. This will be a celebration service for the whole benefice, and it would be great if as many people as possible could be present please. As part of the service, she will be admitting the churchwardens of both churches into office for the year and again it would be wonderful if as many people as possible could be there to support and thank our churchwardens.

## News & Diary Dates from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> July

Sun 2	THOMAS the APOSTLE		
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion with Banns of Marriage followed by coffee <b>Crucifer:</b> Jayne <b>Readers:</b> Derek / Sylvia C <b>Intercessions:</b> Susan <b>Coffee:</b> Sue / Linda
	5.00pm	St M's	Evensong
Mon 3	5.00pm	MH	Brownies trip out
	5.00pm	zoom	Evening Prayer
	6.00pm	SH	Rainbows
	7.15pm	MH	Guides
Tue 4	9.30am	SH	Coffee Pot

	10.00am	St G's	Parish Communion
	1.30pm	MH	Fun & Free Tuesday
	5.00pm	LC	Evening Prayer
	6.30pm	MH	Cubs & Beavers
	8.00pm	MH	Karate
Wed 5	8.15am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	3.30pm	MH	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm
Thu 6	10.30am	St M's	Parish Communion
	10.30am	SH/SL	Thursday Club
	6.30pm	MH	Clubbercise Zumba
	7.30pm	SH	Charter Band
Fri 7	3.30pm	St B	Messy Church
	tbc	MH	Wedding Reception Set up
	7.30pm	SH	Entertainers
Sat 8	10.00am	GB	Karate
	3.00pm	St G's	Wedding of Brian & Jenny followed by Reception
Sun 9	TRINITY 5		
	9.00am	St M's	Parish Communion
	TBC	St G's	Completion of wedding clear up
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion with Banns of Marriage followed by coffee <b>Crucifer:</b> Mark <b>Readers:</b> Paul / Linda <b>Intercessions:</b> Laine <b>Coffee:</b> Darrell / Glenda
	4.00pm	St M's	Family Praise

**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,  
St B = St Barnabas, GB = Grange Baptist**

❖ 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)  
PACKET INSTANT MASH,  
TINNED RICE PUDDING,  
DEODORANT.**

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

5.00pm Evening Prayer on ZOOM

Every week on a Wednesday

8.15am Morning Prayer on ZOOM

5.00pm Evening Prayer at St George's

Every week on a Thursday

10.30am Parish Communion at St Margaret's

all are welcome



**COFFEE POT** every Tuesday in  
**THE SMALL HALL**  
from 9.30am



## FUN AND FREE TUESDAY'S

at St George's

Each Tuesday in term time from 1.30pm  
Could you be a helper? See Rachel



**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July**  
**at 2.30pm**  
**in the small hall**



**UP AND COMING MEETINGS**  
**7.00pm Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July**  
**PCC in the Small Hall**

Can you bake scones? If so, please speak to Rachel

## ST GEORGE'S SUMMER FUN DAY!



Face painting!



Ice cream!

**SAT 15TH JULY**

Welly wanging!



**12 - 4PM**



Beat the goalie!



Cream teas & BBQ!



Pocket money games!

**GRANGE ROAD, GL4 0PE**