SIGNPOST

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

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

Diary Dates from 13th to 20th August

Sun 13	TRINITY 10 September Crossroads deadline		
	9.00am St M's Parish communion		
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion
	10.504.11	50 0 3	with Banns of Marriage
			Crucifer: Roger
			Readers: Sylvia E/Paul
			Intercessions: Derek
			Coffee: Hilary/Glenice
Mon 14	10.00am	МН	First Aid Training
	5.00pm	Zoom	Evening Prayer
Tue 15	9.30am	SH	Coffee Pot
	10.00am	St G's	Parish Communion
	1.30pm	St G's	Holiday Club briefing
	5.00pm	LC	Evening Prayer
Wed 16	8. I 5am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	9.30am	St M's	Churchyard work party
Thu 17	10.30am	St M's	Parish Communion
Fri 18	9.00am	St G's	A&E Fire & Security visit
	7.30pm	MH	Entertainers
Sat 19	I2 noon	St M's	Baptism of
			Flora Jane Behan
Sun 20	TRINITY 11		
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion
			with Banns of Marriage
			Crucifer: Jayne
			Readers: David/Sylvia C
			Intercessions: Susan
			Coffee: Joceline
	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, LC = Lady Chapel,

Holiday Club

There will be a briefing for all Holiday Club volunteers on Tuesday 15th August at 1.30pm at St George's.

Please note: on Tuesday 22nd August there will be no morning Eucharist at St George's and no Coffee Pot, due to Holiday Club.

❖ 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), **TINNED MEAT, TINNED TOMATOES, DEODORANT** Thank you!

Art Group

A few people have expressed interest in coming together to do some amateur painting, and to hopefully learn from one another in a relaxed, friendly environment. There will be a trial period for this on Thursdays during September, from 2.00pm until 4.00pm in the Small Hall, and everyone is welcome. If you would like to know more, please talk to Paul or Angela.

Intercessions

We pray for...

Laura, Angela, Margaret & Mark, Sheila, Johanna, Steve, Wendy, Terry, James, Ann, Bert, Joyce.

Birthdays:

Carl Wilson 16th, Darrell Stevens 20th.

Banns of Marriage: 2nd calling at St George's of: -

Harry James Walters & Katy Ann Larkham. Ryan Robert Campbell & Charlie Joy Sadler.

Andrew Graham Robert Poole & Lauren Louise Atherton. Troy Donahue Fachedo Moncrieffe & Gillian Beverley Russell.

Anniversaries of Death:

Diana Bucza, Joan Evans, Beatrice Martin, David Brownjohn.

If you would like your birthday/anniversary mentioned on Signpost, please see Glenda. Thank you!

Hymns at St George's:

1. Jesus the name high over all	364
2. May the mind of Christ my Saviour	447
3. Do not be afraid	150
4. At the name of Jesus	54

Let Us Entertain you this September

In the main hall on Saturday 16th September at 7.30pm. More information soon!

Discussion Group

In response to a number of questions posed about the Creeds (through the question box) there will be the opportunity to think together about this on Wednesday afternoons, 13th September to 4th October, 2.00pm in the Lady Chapel. Rev'd Mark will lead us through this, and each session will be stand alone, so please do come along to any you can. Look out for more details in an article in Sept Crossroads.

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The Administration office is open on Wednesday, Thursday & Friday mornings from 9.30am until 11.30am.

We are part of the Church in Tuffley



COLLECT

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants;

and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you;

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.

A reading from the first book of Kings.

FIRST READING 1 Kings 19:9-18

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to

the wilderness of Damascus; when you

arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king

over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu

son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and

you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat

place. Whoever escapes from the sword

of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever

of Abel-meholah as prophet in your

escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

Or Genesis 37:1-4. 12-28

PSALM Psalm 85:8-13

R Show us your mercy, O Lord.

I will listen to what the Lord God will

for he shall speak peace to his people and to the faithful, that they turn not again

to folly.

Truly, his salvation is near to those who fear him.

that his glory may dwell in our land. R

Mercy and truth are met together, righteousness and peace have kissed each other;

Truth shall spring up from the earth and righteousness look down from heaven. R

The Lord will indeed give all that is good,

and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness shall go before him and direct his steps in the way. R

SECOND READING Romans 10:5-15

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous

to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

GOSPEL Matthew 14:22-33

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Immediately after feeding the crowd with the five loaves and two fish, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

POST COMMUNION

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you:

look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



