

## COLLECT

Eternal Father,  
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the  
throne of heaven that he might rule  
over all things as Lord and King:  
keep the Church in the unity of the  
Spirit  
and in the bond of peace,  
and bring the whole created order to  
worship at his feet;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## FIRST READING

**Ezekiel 34:11-16. 20-24**

*A reading from the book of the prophet Ezekiel.*

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

## PSALM Psalm 95:1-7

**R** Come, let us worship and bow down.

O come, let us sing to the Lord;  
let us heartily rejoice in the rock of our  
salvation.

Let us come into his presence with  
thanksgiving  
and be glad in him with psalms.  
For the Lord is a great God  
and a great king above all gods. **R**

In his hand are the depths of the earth  
and the heights of the mountains are his  
also.

The sea is his, for he made it,  
and his hands have moulded the dry  
land. **R**

Come, let us worship and bow down  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For he is our God;  
we are the people of his pasture and  
the sheep of his hand. **R**

## SECOND READING

**Ephesians 1:15-end**

*A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.*

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

## GOSPEL Matthew 25:31-end

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

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all

the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

## POST COMMUNION

Stir up, O Lord,  
the wills of your faithful people;  
that they, plenteously bringing forth the  
fruit of good works,  
may by you be plenteously rewarded;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.



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## SIGNPOST

the weekly newsletter of  
**St George's, Tuffley with St Margaret's, Whaddon**  
 Worshipping, Caring, Pioneering  
 'Growing God's Kingdom'  
 Welcome to all  
 Diary Dates from

### 26<sup>th</sup> November to 3<sup>rd</sup> December

Sun 26	<b>CHRIST THE KING</b> Crossroads available		
	9.00am	St M's	Parish Communion
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion Crucifer: Jayne Readers: Derek/Susan Intercessions: Linda M Coffee: Sylvia /Dot
	10.30am	GB	Messy Church
	4.30pm	SH	Charles Igbo group
Mon 27	5.00pm	Zoom	Evening Prayer
	5.00pm	MH	Brownies
	6.00pm	SH	Rainbows
	6.00pm		Monday @ 6
	7.15pm	MH	Guides
Tue 28	9.30am	SH	Coffee Pot
	10.00am	St G's	Parish Communion
	1.30pm	St G's	Fun & Free
	5.00pm	LC	Evening Prayer
	6.30pm	MH	Cubs & Beavers
	8.00pm	MH	Karate
Wed 29	8.15am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	9.30am	SH	Phonics with Robot Reg
	3.30pm	MH	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm
Thu 30	10.30am	St M's	Parish Communion
	10.30am	SH/SL	Thursday Club
	2.00pm	SH	Art Group
	6.30pm	MH	Clubbercise
	7.30pm	SH	Charter Band
Fri 1	7.30pm	SH	Entertainers – tbc
	7.30pm	MH	Gardening Club party
Sat 2	10.00am	MH	Karate
	10.00am	St G's	Church Cleaning
	7.30pm	MH	Let us Entertain You
Sun 3	<b>ADVENT I</b>		
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion Crucifer: Mark B Readers: Linda M/Stuart Intercessions: Laine Coffee: Sue / Linda
	5.00pm	St M's	From Darkness to Light

**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.**

## We pray for...

Laura, Angela, Margaret & Mark, Johanna, James, Peter, Janet, Sophie & family, Andrew, Hans, George, Chris, Selina & family.

**Birthdays:** Angela Kent 1st

**Hymns at St George's:** 762, 137, 34, 662.

## CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:

Donations for Christmas flowers, in memory of loved ones, can be given to your Churchwardens at St Margaret's or St George's. There may be envelopes at the back of St George's you can use for your donation. Thank you

## FOODBANK:

Keep bringing items for the Foodbank each Sunday. The Collection point is the tray at the back of the Church. The Foodbank are in **URGENT NEED OF LONG-LIFE FRUIT JUICE, JARS of COOKING SAUCE, TINNED (Carrots, Peas, Sweetcorn), TOOTHBRUSHES.**

Thank you.

## Christmas Hampers:

Once again, we are working with the other churches in Tuffley to provide Christmas Hampers for families in need in our schools. Sheets are the back of each church with the items needed. Please do take one or more sheets if you can, to help with these hampers.

## Advent Groups - Christmas Unwrapped

Groups will meet on Mondays from 7.30pm until 9.00pm on the 4th, 11th, 18th December, and on Wednesdays from 2.00pm until 3.30pm on the 6th, 13th, 20th December. There will be a short video each time filmed in Nazareth and Bethlehem - these are fascinating videos, which will no doubt give us questions to ask and things to wonder about the meaning of Christmas. If you are intending to come along to any of the sessions, could you sign up on the list at the back of church, please to give an idea of numbers.

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We are part of the Church in Tuffley

