



SIGNPOST

27 August 2017

TRINITY 11

Revelation, Rescue and Response

WELCOME

**Signpost is the weekly newsletter for
St George's, Tuffley with
St Margaret's, Whaddon**

Please take a moment to introduce yourself to our Vicar Bruce or one of our Churchwardens, (Mike or Sylvia E at St George's) (Malcolm or Mike at St Margaret's) or the stewards. Please join us for coffee in the small hall 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.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

9.00am 10.30am	PARISH COMMUNION at St Margaret's PARISH COMMUNION at St George's followed by prayers for healing	
	Deacon Chalice Servers Intercessions Readers Sides Coffee	Susan Susan / David David / Sylvia E Paul Pat / Susan Jayne / Linda Sylvia E / Mac
5.00pm	EVENSONG at St Margaret's with prayers for healing	

PRAYER FOR TODAY:

God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ. **AMEN.**

READINGS AT THE COMMUNION - Year A

Please see insert sheet

**We welcome Brian as our organist
at the 10.30am service**

**Hymns at 10.30am
457 – 88 – 13 – 166 (communion) – 411**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Lord of all mercy,
we your faithful people have celebrated that one true
sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and
peace:
by our communion
keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel
and preserve us from all sin;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

IN MEMORIAM:-

Margaret Emery, Joseph Blewitt, Richard Parsons,
Sarah Hatch RIP

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:-,

David Bradford, Chris Neale, Anne Waite (28th), Fred Pears,
Alan Deeley, Vera Taylor, Audrey Moore, Terry Wootton,
Charles Meadows, David Sykes, Mavis Oldfield,
Anne Waite (3rd), Stephen Greatorex.

BIRTHDAYS:-

Gloria & Bruce Wiggall celebrate 57 years of marriage on
3rd.

VERSE FOR THE WEEK:-

“and who do you say that I am”, Jesus asked his disciples
(*Matt 16:15*)

THIS WEEK LET US PRAY FOR:-

- those affected by the Barcelona terrorist attacks
- our local shops and businesses
- guidance for all involved in the process of the UK's
- departure from the European Union

Please continue asking God for a new music leader at St George's who will embrace all that is good and develop our worship in ways that connect with new as well as current worshippers.

OUR PIONEERING PRAYER:-

Lord help us grow more compassionate in serving our community, more confident in sharing the good news of Jesus, and more creative in reaching out to new people, in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen

FOODBANK:-

Thank you everyone who contributes regularly or from time to time by adding items to the box in St George's. Currently the top five needs are:

Tinned rice pudding

Long life fruit juice (not chilled)

Tinned cold meat (corned beef/ham)

Long life milk

Toiletries

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE LOOK OUT!-

We are pleased to let you know that we have started a session on Sunday mornings at 10:30 am at St George's, which includes Bible teaching, prayer, craft and fun. Come along and find out more.

FOR SALE:-

Two dark brown leather dining room chairs in perfect condition, £20 each. If interested please ring Diane on 01452 501349.

THE LATE MARGARET EMERY has left several religious items (books, dvds, photos) for the church. The items are displayed in the entrance hall and are free to take and use if interested.

THE CONCERT WITH ANGIE'S COMMUNITY CHOIR raised a total of £372.00 which will be split equally between Angie's Community Choir, St George's and James Hopkins Trust.

DINING TABLE AND CHAIRS, plus display cabinets, all in dark wood and in very good condition are available free from a local house if collected soon. See Bruce for details.

DIARY DATES:

SEPTEMBER

- Fri 1 Gardening Club Show preparation
Sat 2 Gardening Club Show – to be opened at 2.00pm
by Father Gerry Walsh of English Martyrs Church
Mon 4 Crematorium funeral at 11.30am
for the late Sarah Hatch RIP
Tue 5 St Margaret's PCC – 7.30pm – V
Wed 6 St George's PCC – 7.30pm – V
Thu 7 Singing Group practice– 7.00pm - church
Railway Society – 7.30pm – 12 Ryelands
Fri 8 Gardening Club- 7.30pm – MH
Sat 9 Historic Churches Ride & Stride
Messy church – Jesus choosing disciples
Sun 10 100 Club Draw / St G's Baptisms
Mon 11 Open the Book at Grange School
Tue 12 Mothers' Union – 2.30pm – SH
Thu 14 Morning Prayer at St G's – 8.30am
Parish Communion at St M's – 10.30am
Sun 17 Messy church planning meeting – 11.45am

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Administration office is open on Wednesday, Thursday
and Friday mornings from 9.00am – 12.00noon.

**PLEASE KEEP YOUR BAGS WITH YOU AT ALL
TIMES IN CHURCH**

TODAY –

	Coffee after the 10.30am service
11.45am	Prayers for healing at St G's – LC

**MONDAY 28 St G's Care & Cleaning month
Bank Holiday Monday**

	NO Aphasia-Now – SH & SL
	Coffee Pot set up

TUESDAY 29

9.00am	Coffee Pot – all welcome – Mike's team – MH
9.30am	Parish Communion at St George's

WEDNESDAY 30

11.30am	Awesome August (4) – V
3.30pm	Slimming World also 5.30pm & 7.30pm – MH
7.00pm	Gardening Club Committee meeting – SL
7.30pm	Finance meeting – SL

THURSDAY 31

8.30am	Morning Prayer at St G's – all welcome
10.30am	Parish Communion at St Margaret's
10.30am	NO Day Centre – SH & SL
7.00pm	Awesome August (4) – SL

FRIDAY 1

	Gardening Club show preparation – MH
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SATURDAY 2

12 noon	Podsmead Fun Day until 6.00pm
2.00pm	Gardening Club Annual Show to be opened by Father Gerry Walsh of English Martyrs

SUNDAY 3

	Coffee after the 10.30am service
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SUNDAY 3 – Trinity 12

10.30am	FAMILY PRAISE at St Margaret's	
10.30am	PARISH COMMUNION at St George's	
	Deacon	Pat
	Chalice	Pat / Linda
	Servers	Linda / Jayne
	Intercessions	Sarah
	Readers	Joceline / Paul
	Sides	Dot / Karen
	Coffee	Ray / Millie / Eva

Readings at the Communion – Year A

Exodus 3:1-15;

Psalms 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b;

Romans 12:9-end;

Matthew 16:21-end

Worshipping, Caring, Pioneering

Exodus 1:8 - 2:10

Baby Moses is rescued

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, "Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.

Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, "When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live."

But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, "Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?" The midwives said to Pharaoh, "Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them."

So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, "Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live."

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. "This must be one of the Hebrews' children," she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?" Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Yes."

So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages." So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, "because," she said, "I drew him out of the water."

Prayer: *Lord, help us to trust in your guiding hand even in the midst of oppression. Amen*

Psalm 124

Praise for Rescue from Enemies.

Our help is in the name of the Lord

If the Lord had not been on our side, let Israel now say;
If the Lord had not been on our side, when enemies rose against us
Then they would have swallowed us up alive
In their fierce anger toward us.

Our help is in the name of the Lord

Then would the waters have overwhelmed us and the torrent gone over us; then would the raging waters have gone right over us

Blessed be the Lord;

He has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.

Our help is in the name of the Lord

We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler

The snare is broken and we have escaped

Our help is in the name of the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

Our help is in the name of the Lord

Romans 12:1-8 Dedicated Service

Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

For through the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think; but to think so as to have sound judgment, as God has allotted to each a measure of faith.

For just as we have many members in one body and all the members do not have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, each of us is to exercise them accordingly:

if prophecy, according to the proportion of his faith;

if service, in his serving;

or he who teaches, in his teaching;

or he who exhorts, in his exhortation;

he who gives, with liberality;

he who leads, with diligence;

he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.

Prayer: *Thank you Lord for your gifts to us all. Help each of us to play our part. Amen*

Matthew 16:13-20 Peter's Confession of Christ

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?"

And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it.

I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Prayer: *Living Lord, we thank you for revealing your true identity to Peter and to us, your church. Amen*