



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

10.30am	FAMILY PRAISE at St Margaret's
10.30am	PARISH COMMUNION at St George's
	Deacon Joceline
	Chalice Joceline / David
	Servers David / Sylvia C
	Intercessions Pat
	Readers Mark S / Dot
	Sides Dot / Karen
	Coffee Rosie / Stella
5.00pm	EVENSONG at St Margaret's

PRAYER FOR TODAY:

God our saviour,
 look on this wounded world
 in pity and in power;
 hold us fast to your promises of peace
 won for us by your Son,
 our Saviour Jesus Christ. **AMEN.**

READINGS AT THE COMMUNION - Year A

Please see insert sheet

We welcome William Morris as our organist for today

Hymns at 10.30am
 511 – 29 – 88 – 66 – 249

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining
 and whose power we cannot comprehend:
 show us your glory as far as we can grasp it,
 and shield us from knowing more than we can bear
 until we may look upon you without fear;
 through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **AMEN**

IN MEMORIAM:-

Marian Rackham, Jean Minnall RIP

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:-

Ida Winkworth, Jayson Crandon, Doreen Carter, Connie Sallis, Clive Marks, Vera Williams, Eva Jordan, Chris Watts, David White, Chris Davis, Peter Garnham, David Morgan, Frank Blewitt, Megan Evans, Alexandra Hay.

BIRTHDAYS / ANNIVERSARIES:-

Malcolm Martin 4th, Roger Meadows 5th.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE:

1st calling at St George's

Neil Marc Morris & Kelly Louise Bircher

Matthew Paul Michael Goble & Miriam Elizabeth Barcham

VERSE FOR THE WEEK:-

"Whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of God's little people will receive their reward" (*Matthew 10:42*)

THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR:-

- suitable housing for those made homeless through the Grenfell Tower fire
- wisdom for those making decisions about fire safety across the country
- those conducting the Brexit negotiations

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

THANK YOU:-

To everyone who donated to Christian Aid and the Grenfell Appeal.

Christian Aid raised the sum of £157.20 and the

Grenfell Appeal raised the sum of £102.59.

MARIAN RACKHAM FUNERAL:-

CHANGE OF TIME PLEASE NOTE NOW 11.00am

All very welcome, parking space on Church Lane is limited; please share a car if possible. Many thanks.

The funeral has now be fixed for Monday 3rd July at 11:00am at St. Margaret's Church, followed by a short committal service at Gloucester Crematorium for the family and for any close friends who are welcome to attend. The wake will be held at St. George's Church Centre. No flowers please, but donations would be welcomed for the Alzheimer's Society.

THE DAY CENTRE:-

Are again appealing for someone to join the cooking rota, starting in September. If anyone feels they can assist in overseeing the cooking of lunches every other week, do please let me know. Hans 528939

HELEN OUR PIONEER:-

Is keen to get to know everyone; do invite her for coffee!
07729 615993

CAN YOU CLEAN?

Ernie Maddock is needing regular support, for payment. If you might be able to help, please contact Jonathan or Bruce.

IF ANYONE NEEDS...

...any cleaning, gardening or grass cutting please ring Tony on 07541362358.

SING FOR WATER GLOUCESTER:-

Join in Gloucester's first Sing for Water!

Around 200 singers from Gloucestershire led by Natural Voice leaders Monika Murrell & Kirsty Abraham on **Saturday, 2 September 2017**. Gather by 12 noon, practice from 12.30pm – 1.30pm with the Big Sing at 3.15pm at Mariner's Square, Gloucester Docks, Gloucester GL1 2EN
Early bird cost (by 22 June) £10; cost after that £12. For more information email – singforwater@wordfusion.co.uk
In support of WaterAid.

MOTHERS UNION:-

I am taking orders for Mothers' Union diaries and calendars for 2018. You do not have to be a MU member to buy. The diaries are £3.85 each, almanac style, calendars £1.35 and year planners £2.85. Please let me know by July16th if you would like to place an order. Many thanks. Sylvia C.

DIARY DATES for JULY

JULY

- Mon 10 Open the Book at Grange School
- Tue 11 Mothers' Union trip to Deerhurst – 1.30pm
Social Committee – 7.30pm – SL
- Thu 13 **August Crossroads deadline**
- Fri 14 Gardening Club – 7.30pm – MH
- Sun 16 **St G's Baptisms at 12.30pm & 1.30pm**
Private let of Centre from 12 noon
- Mon 17 Open the Book at Grange School
- Sat 22 **Ploughman's Lunch at 14 Randwick Road
From 12 noon onwards**
- Thu 27 Private let of Centre 1.00pm – 4.00pm – MH
- Fri 28 Quiet Prayer Group
- Sun 30 White Box day

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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
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MONDAY 3

9.00am	Open the Book at Grange School with Helen / David – <i>The Unforgiving Servant</i>
10.00am	Aphasia - Now – SH
11.00am	St Margaret's funeral for the late Marian Rackham RIP followed by a short committal at the Crematorium for the family and close friends followed by the wake at St George's Centre
	Coffee Pot set up
6.10pm	Rainbows until 7.10pm No Brownies or Guides

TUESDAY 4

9.00am	Coffee Pot – all welcome – Mike's team – MH
9.30am	Parish Communion at St George's
6.30pm	Cubs – MH
7.15pm	Deanery Synod – St Oswald's Church

WEDNESDAY 5

3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.30pm & 7.30pm – MH
7.00pm	Singing Group in church
7.00pm	Gardening Club Committee – SL

THURSDAY 6

8.30am	Morning Prayer at St G's – all welcome
9.00am	Open the Book at Harewood School with Sylvia / Rose / Dot / Jill <i>Jesus' Special Friends & Down through the Roof</i>
10.30am	Parish Communion at St Margaret's
10.30am	Day Centre – SH & SL
6.00pm	Beavers / Scouts at 7.15pm
7.30pm	Railway Society – 12 Ryelands
7.30pm	Charter Band – SH & SL

FRIDAY 7

12 noon	Painswick Funeral for the late Jean Minnall RIP
7.30pm	St George's Entertainers present a Concert 'Music 'n Memories' in aid of St Margaret's Roof Appeal – Bar – Raffle. Tickets £5.00 each to include a light supper (please state cheese or ham when purchasing tickets). Tickets available from Sylvia on 416184 or Glenda on 307456

SATURDAY 8

SUNDAY 9

	Coffee / cake sale after the 10.30am service
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SUNDAY 9 – TRINITY 4

9.00am 10.30am	PARISH COMMUNION at St Margaret's PARISH COMMUNION with Singing Group at St George's
	Deacon Pat
	Chalice Pat / Linda
	Servers Linda / Jayne +
	Intercessions Paul
	Readers Sylvia E / Pat
	Sides Margaret / Mark
	Coffee Dianne / Anne

Readings at the Communion – Year A
Genesis 24:34-38;
Psalm 45: 10-end;
Romans 7:15-25a;
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-end.

Worshipping, Caring, Pioneering

Genesis 22:1-14*The Lord will provide*

- 1 After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."
- 2 He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you."
- 3 So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him.
- 4 On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away.
- 5 Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you."
- 6 Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together.
- 7 Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?"
- 8 Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.
- 9 When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood.
- 10 Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son.
- 11 But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."
- 12 He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me."
- 13 And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son.
- 14 So Abraham called that place "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

Prayer: Lord spare us from testing our love and faith as you tested Abraham. May this be our unfailing faith: "The Lord will provide" Amen

Psalm 13*God answers David's cry*

- 1 How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me?
- 2 How long must I bear pain in my soul, and have sorrow in my heart all day long? How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?
- 3 Consider and answer me, O LORD my God! Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep the sleep of death, and my enemy will say, "I have prevailed"; my foes will rejoice because I am shaken.
- 4 But I trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.

6 I will sing to the LORD, because he has dealt bountifully with me.

Romans 6:12-23

Free to live by God's grace

- 12 Therefore, do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions.
- 13 No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness.
- 14 For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.
- 15 What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means!
- 16 Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness?
- 17 But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted,
- 18 and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness.
- 19 I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.
- 20 When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness.
- 21 So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death.
- 22 But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life.
- 23 For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Prayer: Lord help us to choose to live only and always by your grace which brings perfect freedom. Amen

Matthew 10:40-42

Christ's call to hospitality

- 40 "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me.
- 41 Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous;
- 42 and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple -- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

Prayer: Lord, help us to both receive and to give generous hospitality among all, especially those considered the least. Amen