



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

10.00am	UNITED HARVEST PRAISE at St Margaret's	
10.30am	PARISH COMMUNION at St George's	
	Deacon	Derek
	Chalice	Derek / David
	Servers	David / Roger
	Intercessions	Sarah
	Readers	David / Dot
	Sides	Sylvia E / Dot
	Coffee	Sylvia E / Mac

PRAYER FOR TODAY:

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

READINGS AT THE COMMUNION - Year A

Please see insert sheet

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

**Hymns at 10.30am
16 – 161 – 448 – 620(communion) 188**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Almighty God,
you have taught us through your Son
that love is the fulfilling of the law:
grant that we may love you with our whole heart
and our neighbours as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

IN MEMORIAM: - Dick Connett, Janet Greaves RIP

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:-

Allan Jones, Irene Livesey, Tony Warwick, Wally Jacobs, Stephen Hancock, Francis Russell, Mary Langhorne, Gordon Jackson, Minnie Pritchard, Cynthia Woodruff, Elizabeth Vowles, Steven Betts, Paul Ives, Dennis Goddard, Lionel Harrison, Thomas Gough.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:-

Kim Westcott 1st, Michaela Sparey 7th.

If you would like a birthday or anniversary mentioned in Signpost please tell Glenda.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE:

3rd calling at St Margaret's

Keir Alexander Eggington & Louise Marie Simpson

Christopher Smith & Trinity Axelson

1st calling at St George's

Anthony Thomas Lowe & Sophie Elizabeth Price

VERSE FOR THE WEEK:-

'have the same attitude as Christ Jesus, who humbled himself in obedience to God, even to death"
(*Philippians 2:5-8*)

THIS WEEK LET US PRAY FOR:

- those whose harvests have failed
- our harvest thanksgivings, including all who will be involved in the Messy Harvest celebration on Saturday
- those who may find it difficult to manage over the next few weeks as changes are made in the way benefits are paid

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

DICK CONNETT RIP – Please note that the St George's funeral is now at 11.00am

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

LISTENING POST: INVITATION

Please join us on World Mental health day, Tuesday 10th October 2017 1000 – 1200, at Listening Post Counselling Charity, St Aldate's Church, Finlay Road, Gloucester with adults in Gloucestershire suffering from mental health issues

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.

COURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

Meet your County Councillor (Andrew Miller, Tuffley Division) on Saturday, 7 October 2017, 10.00am – 12 noon at the Court Community Association, Seventh Avenue, Tuffley. See poster on notice board for more information or ring Jenny Layhe on 07930 689770.

SUNDAY LUNCH:-

Come and join Jilly & Margaret for lunch at St George's Centre on Sunday, 15 October 2017.

Starter: Melon Balls, *Mains:* Roast Beef, Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables *Pudding:* Apple Pie & Custard. (Vegetarians catered for if pre-ordered)

The total cost of the meal is £10.00 with a £5.00 deposit payable on booking. All profit to St Margaret's Church. Places are limited so please reserve your seat with Jilly Ponter on 01452 417648. Please bring your own drinks.

BRIAN WOODRUFF'S 12 HOUR ORGAN MARATHON

Friday 20 October 2017 – please see poster on notice board

**Please note Brian's only telephone number is now:-
07808133328**

GREAT NEWS REMINDER

Regarding the Mary-Jess Leaverland concert which will take place in St George's Church on Sunday 17 December at 7.30pm when her Winter Tour arrives here in Tuffley. There are still some flyers at the back of our church if you missed out. Tickets start at £15.00 each and are bound to be in demand city wide but they won't be able to get a special discount like you. When you go on line or phone up to book your tickets you will need to enter or give a code; the code is: **maryjess10** and will give 10% off all the tickets you purchase. Should any further information come through to me I will ensure that it is reported via Signpost or Crossroads. Enjoy!!

EXPLORE HARVEST 9th – 19th October

Helen is looking for some assistance with Explore Harvest – please see if there is anything you can help with and either sign up at the list on the table at the back of Church, or let her know directly. Thank you.

To borrow for two weeks:

Picnic baskets, old sheets, table cloths in autumn colours, fairy lights

Are you free to help with:

Morning set up on 9th October?

Afternoon take down on 13th?

Morning set up on 16th October?

Afternoon take down on 19th?

Would you like to come and assist with the children, mingling amongst them as they explore the prayer stations?

Are you gifted at putting the kettle on and offering hospitality to the staff?

There will be both morning and afternoon sessions

10th – 13th – 17th – 19th.

**PLEASE DO SIGN UP OR LET HELEN KNOW DIRECTLY
THANK YOU!**

Email: tuffleypioneer@gmail.com Mobile: 07729615993

DIARY DATES

Mon 9 Coffee Pot set up

Tue 10 Onset of Explore Harvest at English Martyrs

Parish Communion – St George's – 9.30am

Mothers' Union – 2.30pm – SH

Social Committee – 7.30pm – SL

The Big Picture (4) at -

English Martyrs Church, 7,30pm

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St. George's, Tuffley and St Margaret's Whaddon

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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 2

9.15am	Open the Book at Grange School with Hans / Mike / Laura – <i>Problems for Paul</i>
10.00am	Speakability – SH
5.00pm	Brownies, Rainbows at 6.10pm & Guides at 7.00pm
9.00pm	Coffee Pot set up

TUESDAY 3

9.00am	Coffee Pot – all welcome – Jill's team – MH
9.30am	Parish Communion at St George's
6.30pm	Cubs – MH
7.30pm	The Big Picture (3) – English Martyrs Church
7.30pm	Centre Management Committee meeting - SL

WEDNESDAY 4

3.30pm	Slimming World also 5.30pm & 7.30pm – MH
7.00pm	St George's Singing Group practice in church

THURSDAY 5

8.30am	Morning Prayer at St George's – all welcome
9.00am	Open the Book at Harewood School with Helen / Dianne / Susan / Roger <i>The Marvellous Picnic / The Kind Stranger</i>
10.30am	Parish Communion at St Margaret's
10.30am	Day Centre - SH & SL
11.00am	St George's funeral for the late Dick Connett RIP
3.30pm	Tuffley Festival meeting – SH & SL
6.00pm	Beavers – MH
7.15pm	Scouts – MH
7.30pm	Charter Band – SH & SL
7.30pm	Railway Society – 12 Ryelands

FRIDAY 6

7.30pm	Entertainers – SH
7.30pm	Gardening Club- MH

SATURDAY 7

10.00am	Messy Harvest until 11.30am
4.30pm	Diocesan Readers Service – Cathedral

SUNDAY 8

	Coffee after the 10.30am service
11.45	Messy church planning meeting
3.00pm	Civic Service at the Cathedral

SUNDAY 8 – Harvest / Trinity 17

9.00am	PARISH COMMUNION at St Margaret's	
10.30am	HARVEST COMMUNION at St George's	
	Deacon	Joceline
	Chalice	Joceline / Roger
	Servers	Roger / Mark
	Intercessions	Rosie
	Readers	Sarah / Derek
	Sides	Darrell / Glenda
	Coffee	Millie / Ray / Eva

Readings at the Communion – Year A

Deuteronomy 8:7-18;

Psalm 65;

2 Corinthians 9:6-15;

Luke 12:16-30

Worshipping, Caring, Pioneering

1 October 2017 – Faith in action

**Exodus 17:1-7 – God's people moan again,
and God listens again**

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

Prayer: *Lord thank you for sending Jesus to be with us not just at good times, but at all times. Amen*

Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16 – Pass it on to the next generation

We say together the words in bold

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.

We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.

In the sight of their ancestors he worked marvels in the land of Egypt, in the fields of Zoan.

He divided the sea and let them pass through it, and made the waters stand like a heap.

In the daytime he led them with a cloud, and all night long with a fiery light.

He split rocks open in the wilderness, and gave them drink abundantly as from the deep.

He made streams come out of the rock, and caused waters to flow down like rivers.

Philippians 2:1-13 – Living with the mind of Jesus

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death-- even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Prayer: *Lord Jesus Christ, work in us to follow your example and live in humble obedience to our heavenly Father. Amen.*

Matthew 21:23-32 – Jesus debates with the leaders

When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. "What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

Prayer: *Lord help us to show in our actions that we truly believe. Amen*