



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

### PRAYER FOR TODAY:

Gracious God,  
 you call us to fullness of life:  
 deliver us from unbelief  
 and banish our anxieties  
 with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

### READINGS AT THE COMMUNION - Year A

Please see insert sheet

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

**Hymns at 10.30am  
184 – 172 – 719 – 923(communion) - 133**

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Lord, we pray that your grace  
 may always precede and follow us,  
 and make us continually to be given to all good works;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

**IN MEMORIAM:**

Dick Connett, Janet Geaves, Roger Badham RIP

**ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:**

Thomas Gough, Albert (Ted) Chaloner, Joan Botchett, Madeline Neal, Yvonne Halford, William Spirit, John Cole, Nina Gardner, Richard King, Muriel Garnham, Bertie Bullard, Sylvia Bendle, Margaret (Peggy) Calas, Joyce James, Marjorie Griffiths, Violet Hawkins, Dorothy Etherton, Sheila Speck, Tyson Lee Pegler.

**BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:**

Joe Thomas 12<sup>th</sup>, Mike & Laura Mumby celebrate their 3<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary on 11<sup>th</sup>, Sue & John Scothern celebrate their 37<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on 11<sup>th</sup>, Bruce's 2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of licensing to St George's 11<sup>th</sup>, Bruce & Rosie Clifford celebrate their 43<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary on 12th  
If you would like a birthday or anniversary mentioned in Signpost please tell Glenda.

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE:****2nd calling at St George's**

Anthony Thomas Lowe & Sophie Elizabeth Price

**VERSE FOR THE WEEK:-**

"Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and He will give you everything you need" (Luke 12:31)

**THIS WEEK LET US PRAY FOR:**

- the injured, the bereaved, and all affected by the Las Vegas shootings; the US government as it considers gun control
- all from Grange and Harewood Schools who will take part in Explore Harvest, and Helen as she leads it
- the ministry of lay readers in the diocese, and especially for Jonathan in this Benefice
- Confirmation service: Please keep in your prayers Yvonne Jackson and Stuart Mitchell as they prepare for their confirmation at St George's next Sunday. And please come and support them!

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*

**Harvest Communion at St George's with Singing Group:  
during the third hymn we invite people to bring forward  
their harvest contributions**

**TV SCREENS AT ST GEORGE'S: EXCITING NEWS!**

Please see leaflet and prayerfully consider how you'd like to contribute.

**HARVEST PRODUCE:**

Thanks to all who contributed, from messy harvest and today's Sunday service. We'll take the produce to the foodbank.

**LISTENING POST: INVITATION**

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

**THE CARPET** at front of St George's has faded. Carol Close's family have generously offered to pay for a replacement. We have a colour-samples book to view. If you have a sense of colour please join the standing committee after the service to form a view.

**PROJECT PILGRIM:** Most of us have seen the work outside the Cathedral. There's an open meeting to explore what it's all about on Wed 18 Oct, 7.15pm at St Philip and St James in Hucclecote.

### **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.

**REMEMBER THAT OLD £1 COINS** become illegal tender from Sunday 15 October. Shops can refuse to take old £1 coins from that date but most Banks and Post Office Counters will continue to accept them from customers until further notice.

### **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**

### **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

10<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>.

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

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### **DIARY DATES: - OCTOBER:**

Mon 16 Set up for Explore Harvest at Grange School

Coffee Pot set –up – 9.00pm

Tue 17 Explore Harvest at Grange School

Coffee Pot – Mike's team – 9.00am

**Parish Communion at St George's – 9.30am**

The Big Picture (5) at English Martyrs

MH = Main Hall, SH = Small Hall, SL = Softley Lounge,

V = Vicarage

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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 / Cake Sale after the 10.30am service
11.45am	Messy church planning meeting

**MONDAY 9 Setup for Explore Harvest at English Martyrs**

9.15am	Open the Book at Grange School with Hans/Dianne and David <i>Paul is Shipwrecked</i>
10.00am	Aphasia-Now SH & SL
5.00pm	Brownies, Rainbows at 6.10pm & Guides at 7.00pm
9.00pm	Coffee Pot set up

**TUESDAY 10 – Explore Harvest at English Martyrs**

9.00am	Coffee Pot – all welcome – Jill's team MH
9.30am	Parish Communion at St George's
2.30pm	Mothers' Union SH
6.30pm	Cubs – MH
7.30pm	The Big Picture (4) at English Martyrs Church
7.30pm	Social Committee meeting SL

**WEDNESDAY 11 – Explore Harvest at English Martyrs**

9.00am	Harewood Junior School Harvest Assembly
10.45am	Cheltenham Crematorium funeral for the late Janet Geaves RIP
3.30pm	Slimming World, also at 5.30pm & 7.30pm MH

**THURSDAY 12 – Explore Harvest at English Martyrs**

8.30am	Morning Prayer at St George's – all welcome
9.00am	Grange Primary Assembly celebrating the disciples' learning about Jesus
10.30am	Parish Communion at St Margaret's
10.30am	Day Centre including harvest songs and prayers at 11.45am - SH & SL
6.00pm	St Margaret's wedding rehearsal for Keir & Louise
6.00pm	Beavers MH
7.15pm	Scouts MH
7.15pm	Deanery Synod
7.30pm	Charter Band SH & SL

**FRIDAY 13 November Crossroads deadline  
Take down Explore Harvest at English Martyrs**

7.30pm	Entertainers MH
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**SATURDAY 14**

3.00pm	St Margaret's wedding for Keir & Louise
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**SUNDAY 15**

	Coffee after the 10.30am service
12.30pm	St Margaret's Winter Lunch

**SUNDAY 15 – Trinity 18**

10.30am	<b>CONFIRMATION &amp; PARISH COMMUNION at St George's</b>	
	Deacon Chalice Servers Intercessions Readers Sides Coffee	<b>Susan Susan / Dot Dot / Sylvia C Linda M Pat / Rosie Roger / Brenda Malcolm / Dot</b>
12.30pm	<b>BAPTISM at St George's of Archie Joseph Morley</b>	
5.00pm	<b>EVENSONG at St Margaret's</b>	

Readings at the Communion – Year A  
Exodus 32:1-14;  
Psalm 106;  
Philippians 4: 109;  
Matthew 22:1-14

***Worshipping, Caring, Pioneering***

**Deuteronomy 8:7-18****God our provider**

For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the LORD your God for the good land that he has given you. Take care that you do not forget the LORD your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth." But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

*Prayer: Lord thank you for all your blessings; all we have is from you. Help us never to exalt self but always to honour you. Amen*

**In place of the Psalm at St George's today, the choir will sing 'All things bright and beautiful' by John Rutter**

**2 Corinthians 9:6-15****Generous giving brings great thanksgiving**

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

*Prayer: Lord Your gift of Jesus is too wonderful for words. As you have met all our needs to overflowing, help us to give happily and generously to meet the needs of others. Amen*

## **Luke 12:16.30    The snare of materialism**

Jesus told the crowd a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God." He said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

*Prayer: Lord preserve us from both the folly of relying on the plenty we have, and the worry that we won't have enough. Amen*